

ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us as we build a
community of radical welcome
that follows Jesus into the
streets of the city to increase
the amount of love and justice
in the world.

K Karpen &
Lea Matthews
Pastors

**Second Sunday
after Pentecost**

June 6, 2021
Online Worship



A New Superhero?

Sunday, June 6, 2021

Prelude	Frank Glass The Blind Man Stood on the Road and Cried
Welcome	Christopher Barberesi
Introit	Send Me, Jesus
Call to Worship <i>from Psalm 40</i>	Karen Collins, David Wildman One: I waited patiently for the Lord Many: God inclined to me and heard my cry One: God drew me up out of the pit of despair Many: And set my foot upon a rock One: God sought me in the shadows Many: And brought me to a space of light One: God put a new song in my heart Many: A song of praise to our God One: Open us up, God; help us emerge from the shadows Many: Open our eyes, that we might glimpse the light of your truth
Opening Hymn	Open My Eyes, That I May See (pg. 5, v.1-2)
Opening Prayer	Lea Matthews
Prayer Song	Open My Eyes, That I May See (pg. 5, v. 3)
Scripture Reading	The Kwan Family Acts 9: 9-19 (pg. 4)
Scripture Song	Nothing But the Love of Jesus (pg. 6, v .1-4)
Sermon	K Karpen “Getting Ready”
Sermon Song	People Get Ready
Morning Prayer The Lord’s Prayer	Nancy Meyers Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kin-dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Song	Nothing But the Love of Jesus (pg. 6, v .5-6)
Offering	Jade Palma-Gil Of tithes, gifts, and prayers <i>Today is UMC Peace with Justice Sunday. Learn more on page 7</i>
Offertory	Jane Williams, Kurtis Bradley Brown, K Karpen, Brent Ness, Dave Richards People Get Ready
Communion & Benediction <i>from Enfleshed</i>	K Karpen, Lea Matthews
Response	The Trees of the Field
Postlude	Frank Glass And Are We Yet Alive

Hymn Leaders **Kurtis Bradley Brown, Frank Glass, K Karpen, Brent Ness, Jane Williams**

Audio **David Richards**
Video **Harry Karpen, K Karpen, Brent Ness**
Editing **Harry Karpen**

Prayer Requests, Connect & Care Groups

To make a prayer request or learn about our Connect & Care Groups, visit our website, stpaulandstandrew.org/stay-connected

Sharing the Peace

As you watch online morning, please share the message of peace with one another in the comments section of your video platform.

Scripture Reading from Acts 9:9-19

¹ Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Jesus, went to the high priest ² and asked the priest for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if Saul found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, Saul might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

³ Now as Saul was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴ Saul fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵ He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶ But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷ The people who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. ⁸ Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹ For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰ Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to Ananias in a vision, "Ananias." Ananias answered, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹ The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a person from Tarsus named Saul. At this moment Saul is praying, ¹² and Saul has seen in a vision^[a] a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³ But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this person, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; ¹⁴ and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." ¹⁵ But the Lord said to him, "Go, please do as I say, for Saul is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and rulers and before the people of Israel; ¹⁶ I myself will show Saul how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

¹⁷ So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, ¹⁹ and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

Open My Eyes, That I May See



1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me.
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voi - ces of truth thou send - est clear.
 3. O - pen my mouth and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth ev - 'ry - where.



Place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un-clasp and set me free.
 And while the wave-notes fall on my ear, ev - 'ry-thing false will dis - ap-pear.
 O - pen my heart and let me pre-pare love with thy child-ren thus to share.



Si - lent - ly now I wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.
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O - pen my eyes, il - lu - mine me, Spi - rit di - vine! _____
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spi - rit di - vine! _____
 O - pen my heart, il - lu - mine me, Spi - rit di - vine! _____

Clara Scott, 1895

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OPEN MY EYES

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Nothing But the Love of Jesus



1. What threw Saul down from his horse? The chid-ing, blind-ing love of Je - sus.
2. As from sha-dows I e - merge, — help me see the love of Je - sus,
3. From the tun - nel of des - pair, — look-ing for the love of Je - sus;
4. Rid - ing on that Gos-pel train, — mov-ing in the love of Je - sus;



- What caused Saul to change his course? The re-veal-ing, heal-ing love of Je - sus.
that may all my sor-rows purge. — Wash me with the love of Je - sus.
reach - ing, grasp-ing for fresh air, — look-ing for the love of Je - sus.
com - ing to the light a - gain, — mov-ing in the love of Je - sus.



O! pre-cious is the grace that o-pens up the space, that I may



see God's face, shin - ing through the love of Je - sus!

5. What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the love of Jesus.
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the love of Jesus.
REFRAIN

6. For my pardon, this I see: nothing but the love of Jesus.
For my cleansing, this my plea: nothing but the love of Jesus.
REFRAIN

Robert Lowry, 1876, *altered*
K Karpen, 2021

Robert Lowry, 1876
PLAINFIELD

Joys & Concerns

Joy & Thanksgiving

Jessie's graduation from Bard!
Thanks for all those who supported her, especially in her final year
Gratitude for people who 'pay it forward'
Joy for Cam's & Sid's wedding
Thanksgiving for graduations...and prayers for guidance for graduates
Dorothy's twin "boys" will be 55 yrs young on June 3
Carter is now a "Master of Divinity" and will soon begin chaplaincy training
Joy and safe safe travels for Megan as she drives to Baltimore, Nashville and Texas for an extended visit with her family
The inspirational summit and work of Faiths4Vaccines.org - faith leaders as humanitarians
The Caste book group discussions and supportive community
Good, caring, attentive pet boarding facilities
Carter's gifts and service; a source of inspiration and love for so many

Healing

Continued prayers for Pat, with leukemia
Continued prayers for Wanda, with severe asthma
Continued recovery of strength and mobility for Ressie; may someone visit with Chips Ahoy original recipe cookies and Dunkin Donuts coffee with hazelnut creamer.
Healing for Megan's sister Jennifer, who is battling fungal pneumonia following a lung transplant and a COVID-19 infection
Don's mom, now in hospice care in

Washington State, and for Don, Christie, Becca and Hannah.
Olga's health and well-being and for her family
Esther's family
Taylor and his family
Megan's Aunt Shirley.
Martha, that the procedure she is having on Friday will bring pain relief.
For all those struggling with addictions
For all those with health concerns and those with anxieties about medical tests and procedures
A safe delivery of a healthy baby girl to Jess and Brian.
Carter's grandma's dementia - may the family continue to honor the person she's been and support her through this chapter
Kathryn's better news from doctors - may that continue
Continued healing for Steph's mother-in-law Bertha and for family discernment for decisions moving forward
Brent's father-in-law, facing some age-related health challenges
Brent's long time friend, Paul, just diagnosed with cancer

Comfort

Fatima, mourning the death of her mother
Dorcas, her sons, and other family celebrating the life, but mourning the loss of Fafa
5-year-old Eitan Biran, who lost his family in a cable car crash and is still recovering from his own injuries
Stephen and his two young daughters as they face the sudden

loss of their beloved wife and mother Stacy.
Sandy, Raymond and Erin, grieving the loss of Sean
Debra, mourning her mother

Work and Life

Jan's sister Connie who is struggling on many levels
Kyong-jin, suffering from an ongoing difficult family situation
Wanda
Sydney
Young people
Janice Scott
Barry and family
Anthony, Marianne's former student, for work and health
David, Marianne's husband, as he continues recovery from a bad fall
Anna
For celebrations in upcoming Pride month
Travel mercies for Kris's sister Kathy, driving to San Francisco and Los Angeles
Continued travel mercies for Mark and Debbie
Be with Pat's daughter Julia as she and her husband Matt and son Caiden work through issues
Shirley's navigation through cleaning up her 26-year old office
Upcoming weddings and family gatherings as the world opens up - hopping for safety AND joy
Mary's website-building

Peace & Justice

Backlash over Critical Race Theory - may white allies continue to learn and advocate for systemic change

Who's Who

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Music Notes

Prelude: The Blind Man Stood On the Road and Cried

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Introit: Send Me Jesus

Words & Music: Trad. South African

Tune: THUMA MINA

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Sermon Song & Offertory: People Get Ready

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Music: Curtis Mayfield

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Postlude: And Are We Yet Alive (CHEER, S.M.)

Music: Rev. Abraham Down Merrill, 1867

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Our Mission

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- ◆ Be a catalyst for love-inspired action and social justice.
- ◆ Nurture and inspire Jesus' followers through dynamic worship and relationship-building to transform ourselves and the world.
- ◆ Teach and live progressive Christian values, including racial and gender equality, inter-faith partnership, LGBTQI affirmation, and empowerment of the last, the lost, and the least.
- ◆ Raise up future generations by fostering a congregation of all ages and developing young leaders & communities.