



New Utrecht Reformed Church at home
4th Sunday of Pentecost and Fathers Day, June 21, 2020

We pray:

Dear Father God, together in our separation we gather to worship you. We gather to praise you. We gather to thank you. We gather to petition you for the many who are in need of healing, comfort and encouragement. We celebrate that we have no God but you, and we are grateful that we are a family of faith united by you.

We sing:

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided:
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me!

We pray:

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long. Gladden the soul of your servant, for to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul. For you, O LORD, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

(from Psalm 86)

We sing:

Faith of our fathers! Living still, in spite of dungeon, fire and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to Thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! We will strive to win all nations conscience free:
How sweet would be their children's fate, if they like them could die for Thee!

Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to Thee till death.

Our Prayer of Confession:

Meticulous God of immeasurable grace, how shall we measure our sins? Only you know their real dimensions; the history of human disobedience; the ramifications of hatred; the multiplication of wrongdoing by generations; the perpetuation of prejudices by unthinking repetition; the aggravation of offenses by the unforgiving and vengeful. However you account for our sin, there are none of us who do not stand in need of some measure of your grace, which in Jesus Christ is out of all proportion to human wrongdoing. And we are hugely grateful. Amen

Our Word of Assurance:

Dear friends, listen to the good news! Christ came to give us new life; to redeem and heal our brokenness. We are made whole through his boundless love. AMEN.

Our Scripture Readings (please consult your own Bible):

- Genesis 21:8-21
- Matthew 10:24-39

Our sermon: OUR FATHER

*In thanks for God's Word and God's great work among us,
we will send our offering to Rita.*

We sing:

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty
All the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor thru the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

We pray:

Dear Lord, thank you for the honor and joy of worshiping with you and each other, Hear our prayers for all we name who are in need of your healing hand and the inspiration of your Spirit; hear our prayers for our families, friends and neighbors; hear our prayers for our city, our state, our country and the world as we all fight against a common enemy; hear our prayers of gratitude for all who serve, putting themselves at risk for the rest of us. Receive our joyful faith, and thank you for being our Lord, Savior and Comforter; bless us all this day and this week, we pray, until we gather again in the Spirit of worship. In your holy name, Amen.

We pray this Benediction together:

May we be held in the hand of God the Father Almighty

May we be filled to overflowing with the Light of the world, His Son, our Savior Jesus

And may we always be safely protected at home, and if we need to go out,
by the shalom-making Holy Spirit.

Amen.