WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prelude: Michael Hawkins

- Reopening Task Force Update
- Pastor Scott Come 'n Go (coffee meet up) tomorrow, Monday, June 14, 9-11am
- Families this summer something for Children and Youth every Sunday except July 4.
- Church BBQ Sunday, July 25
- Save the date for Rummage Sale -August 5-7
- Karen Wittenburg's Memorial is tomorrow at 1:00pm
- Today is Foundation Sunday. We are honored to welcome Dr. Vernon Baker and pleased to hear from our Foundation President, Randy Ray

CENTERING & LIGHTING CANDLES

Flowers provided by Sue Warninghoff in memory of our special friend and fellow member, Karen Wittenburg

LAY READERS

Janet Cruz, Craig Butler, Donna Bekooy

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

It was a route Darla Samuelson and her friend had jogged before – one in Tigard that ran beneath a bridge where men and women without homes or jobs congregated looking for work for the day.But one day in 2008, Samuelson did something different. She stopped.

Several of the classes she was taking at the time, working toward her MDiv degree at Portland Seminary, had challenged her ideas about what it meant to be "missional." She had grown up thinking that meant going to another country on a missions trip and then returning to her daily life. But she started thinking about what it would look like to be "missional" in her daily life in her own city.

So she and her friend asked the homeless people under the bridge that day to tell her one thing they needed. She was surprised when they said they needed laundry and showers. That was the beginning of Just Compassion, a coalition of both religious and nonreligious organizations dedicated to meeting the needs of the homeless in East Washington County.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Janet Cruz

What mysteries there are in God's world!

We, so sophisticated, stand in awe at the wonders of the natural world.

We look at the tiniest of seeds and wonder what will happen

From that small seed will grow a large shrub.

Although we consider our gifts to be small and insignificant,
God will use our gifts in miraculous ways.

Praise the God of small seeds and

Praise the God of small seeds and mighty power. Amen.

— by Nancy C. Townley

OPENING HYMN

"Everytime I Feel the Spirit"

Children and Youth are dismissed for Outside Programming....

SOUTHMINSTER FOUNDATION

Opening remarks - President Randy Ray Grants 2021 - Michael Hawkins Introduction of speaker - David Pierce Guest speaker - Dr. Vernon Baker, *Just Compassion*

Let us sing...

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.

Good works of service are for offering.
When we are giving, or when receiving,
We belong to God.

GREEK TESTAMENT READING

Rev. Common Lectionary Luke 8:4-15 Craig Butler

When a great crowd was gathering and people were coming to Jesus from one city after another, he spoke to them in a parable: "A farmer went out to scatter his seed. As he was scattering it, some fell on the path where it was crushed, and the birds in the sky came and ate it. Other seed fell on rock. As it grew, it dried up because it had no moisture. Other seed fell among thorny plants. The thorns grew with the plants and choked them. Still other seed landed on good soil. When it grew, it produced one hundred times more grain than was scattered." As he said this, he called out, "Everyone who has ears should pay attention."

His disciples asked him what this parable meant. He said, "You have been given the mysteries of God's reign, but these mysteries come to everyone else in parables so that when they see, they can't see, and when they hear, they can't understand.

"The parable means this: The seed is God's word. The seed on the path are those who hear, but then the devil comes and steals the word from their hearts so that they won't believe and be saved. The seed on the rock are those who receive the word joyfully when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while but fall away when they are tempted. As for the seed that fell among thorny plants, these are the ones who, as they go about their lives, are choked by the concerns, riches, and pleasures of life, and their fruit never matures. The seed that fell on good soil are those who hear the word and commit themselves to it with a good and upright heart. Through their resolve, they bear fruit.

THEME READING

by Shannon L. Adler Donna Bekooy

"When you let go of control and commit yourself to happiness, it is so easy to offer compassion and forgiveness. This propels you from the past, into the present. People that are negative, spend so much time trying to control situations and blame others for their problems. Committing yourself to staying positive is a daily mantra that states, "I have control over how I plan to react, feel, think and believe in the present. No one guides the tone of my life, except me!"

SERMON

"Prodigal God" Rev. Scott Dalgarno

RESPONSIVE HYMN

"Guide My Feet"

CORPORATE PRAYER

The "Jesus" Prayer by Bret S. Meyers, 2016

O God, our Divine Parent, may your presence be ever revered. May your peace and justice dwell among us. May your love and compassion live within and between us. Nourish us daily with the necessities of life; sustenance for our bodies, and inspiration for our spirits. And may the forgiveness we give be that which we receive; the kindness we show be that which we perceive. Lead us on virtuous paths, and distance us from evil. For your world is our world, and your reign our reign; then, now, and always. A-men.

CLOSING SONG

"Shalom, My Friends"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

IN PERSON FELLOWSHIP

Join Pastors and Foundation members outside for fellowship.