

# St. Helens First United Methodist Church

560 Columbia Blvd., St. Helens, OR 97051

July 12, 2020

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

**Great Sower, cast us like seed upon the winds of your mercy, that we may grow in fertile ground. Keep our lives from stony pathways, where the heat of life's cares and strife strip our strength and vitality. Protect us from thorny gullies, where the snares of life's worries and fears block the sunshine of your Spirit. Land us safely in rich soil and bless us with the kiss of gentle rain, so that our faith may increase and our joy may be complete. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 65

READER: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN/ANTHEM: Ye Servants of God See Below

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom 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 kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

READER: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN/ANTHEM: As a Fire is Meant for Burning See Slides

MESSAGE: "Seeds, Seeds, and More Seeds"

CLOSING PRAYER (Unison)

**Loving God, we have gathered this day to offer our thanks and praise for all that you have sown in our lives. Give us the strength and courage to share the fruit of your labor throughout the world, so that everyone might experience your generosity and love. Amen.**

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 12-18

**Due to the recent coronavirus outbreak, there are no worship services or small group meetings currently being held at the church. Instead, we are worshipping online on the church website ([www.sthelensfirstumc.org](http://www.sthelensfirstumc.org)) and engaging in fellowship and Bible study over Zoom. Bible study is at 10:30 am on Sunday and fellowship follows at 12 noon. Login information is available on the main page of our church website.**

**If you have any questions about the reopening of the church or would like to know more about our ministry during this time, call Pastor Jared at (206) 930-9051 or email him at [pastorjaredmaddox@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjaredmaddox@gmail.com). You can also call the church office at (503) 397-0061 or email it at [office@shfumc.comcastbiz.net](mailto:office@shfumc.comcastbiz.net).**

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