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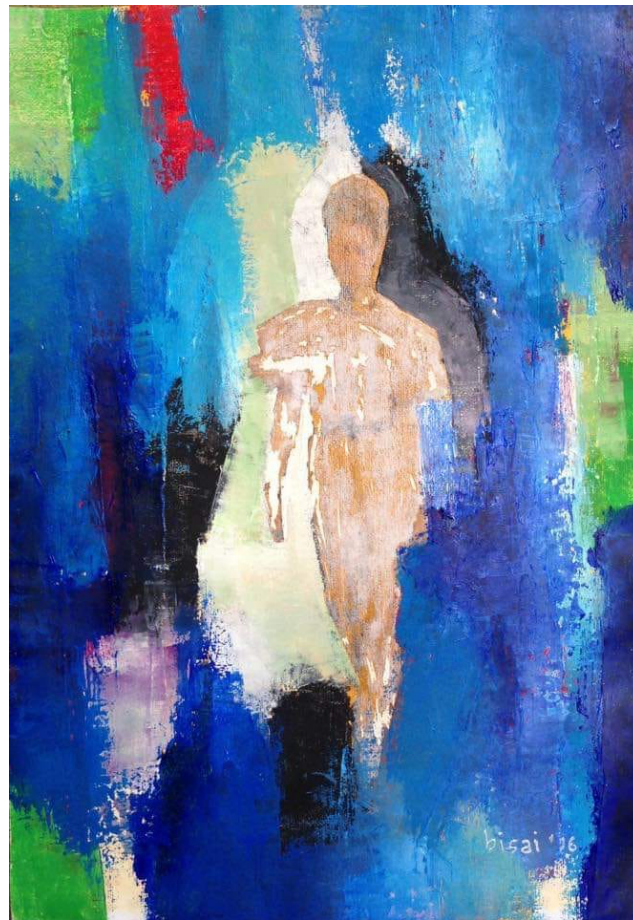
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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 27, 2023



Worship Leader

Karen Jensen

Mini Message

Kay Leary

Director of Music

Luke Overton

Guest Preacher

Robin Kime

Organist

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

Office Manager

Michelle Wolfe

Custodian

Kyle Lindaman

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

Prelude "Now Let Us Praise God and Sing" Hudson Lourenço-Feld
Prelude on an Anthem - Gordon Young

Welcome & Announcements Karen Jensen

***Call to Worship** Karen Jensen

Leader: At God's table of justice, everyone has a place and none are turned away.

People: Here strangers are welcomed as friends, the poor sit alongside the rich, and the upside-down kin-dom of God is revealed.

Leader: At God's table of abundance, a banquet of righteousness and liberation is set for all.

People: Here the powerless are heard; the outcasts are showered with honor, and the inside-out kin-dom of God is revealed.

Leader: At God's table of life, all peoples know peace and creation flourishes.

People: Here the hopeless are nourished with possibility, the complacent are transformed into advocates for change. Here in our very midst the kin-dom of God is revealed.

***Prayer of Invocation** Karen Jensen

***Hymn** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* #86 (NCH - Black)

Joys & Concerns Karen Jensen

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer Karen Jensen

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Mini-Message Kay Leary

Special Music *Piece in My Soul* Hudson Lourenço-Feld
Robert J. Hughes

Invitation to Offertory Karen Jensen

Offertory Hymn Improvisation Hudson Lourenço-Feld

*Doxology		#515 (Pilgrim-Red)
*Prayer of Dedication		Karen Jensen
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 15:10-28	Karen Jensen
*Hymn	<i>God, Speak to Me, That I May Speak</i>	#531 (NCH - Black)
Message	<i>“unsettling and UNsettling”</i>	Robin Kime
*Closing Hymn	<i>Come, O Fount of Every Blessing</i>	#459 (NCH - Black)
Benediction		Robin Kime
Postlude	<i>Psalm XIX</i> Benedetto Marcello	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
	*You are invited to Stand	