

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 28, 2020



Common Worship shared by:

Christ Church, United Church of Christ Ft. Thomas, KY
First Presbyterian Church Ft. Thomas, KY
St. John United Church of Christ Bellevue, KY
St. John's United Church of Christ Newport, KY

The Command to Sacrifice Isaac

22 After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ² He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴ On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." ⁶ Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷ Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸ Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

⁹ When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill^[a] his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹² He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³ And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide";^[b] as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."^[c]

Time with the Children

Kelly Kuhnhein

Sermon

"Abraham and Isaac"

Rev. D. Houston Hall

Offertory Duet*"The Prayer"**Sager/Foster*

Talia Broering Zoll, soprano; Dobin Park, tenor

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode

Service of Departure Rev. Keith M. Haithcock & Rev. D. Houston Hall

Benediction Rev. D. Houston Hall

Hymn *“We Are Called to Be God’s People”* (*Austrian Hymn*)

Postlude *“Stars & Stripes Forever”* (*John Phillip Sousa*)

John Haynes, Dobin Park, Toni Sheffer, Michael Sullivan
2 pianos, 8 hands

Today’s Worship Leaders:

Rev. Dr. Edward Goode, Christ Church Ft. Thomas

Rev. D. Houston Hall, St. John’s Church Newport

Rev. Keith M. Haithcock, St. John Church Bellevue

Pam Rieke, First Presbyterian Church Ft. Thomas

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"When We Are Tested"

(Slane)

When we are tested and wrestle alone,
famished for bread when the world offers stone,
nourish us , God, by your word and your way,
food that sustains us by night and by day.

When in the desert we cry for relief,
pleading for paths marked by certain belief,
lift us to love you beyond sign and test,
trusting your presence, our only true rest.

When we are tempted to barter our souls,
trading the truth for the power to control,
teach us to worship and praise only you,
seeking your will in the work that we do.

When we have struggled and searched through the night,
sorting and sifting the wrong from the right,
savior, surround us with circles of care,
angels of healing, of hope, and of prayer.

We Are Called to Be God's People 580



1 We are called to be God's peo - ple, show - ing by our lives his grace,
2 We are called to be God's ser - vants, work - ing in his world to - day;
3 We are called to be God's proph - ets, speak - ing for the truth and right,



one in heart and one in spir - it, sign of hope for all the race.
tak - ing his own task up - on us, all his sa - cred words o - bey.
stand - ing firm for god - ly jus - tice, bring - ing e - vil things to light.



Let us show how he has changed us, and re - made us as his own,
Let us rise, then, to his sum - mons, ded - i - cate to him our all,
Let us seek the cour - age need - ed, our high call - ing to ful - fill,



let us share our life to - geth - er as we shall a - round his throne.
that we may be faith - ful ser - vants, quick to an - swer now his call.
that the world may know the bless - ing of the do - ing of God's will.



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AUSTRIAN HYMN
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