# Children's Sunday



#### SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## FOUR CORNERS COMMUNITY CHAPEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

200 Angell Road, Cumberland, Rhode Island 02864

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God the Holy One of Israel, your Savior."

Isaiah 43:1-3

Pastor – Reverend David Pierce Organist – Mr. Vance Westgate

> Home Worship Liturgy July 19, 2020

#### HYMN—"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

He's got the whole world in His hands He's got the whole wide world in His hands He's got the whole world in His hands He's got the whole world in His hands

He's got the itty bitty baby in His hands He's got the itty bitty baby in His hands He's got the itty bitty baby in His hands He's got the whole world in His hands

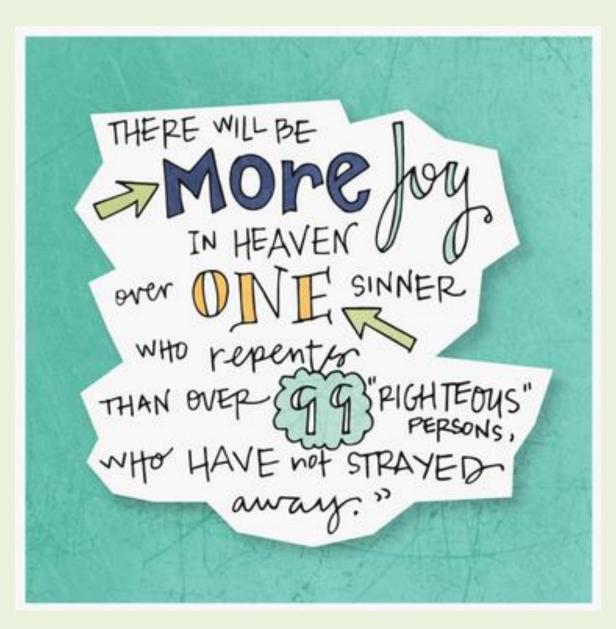
He's got you and me brother in His hands He's got you and me sister in His hands He's got you and me together in His hands He's got the whole world in His hands



#### First Scripture Lesson—Luke 15:1-7 (The Message Translation)

"By this time a lot of men and women of doubtful reputation were hanging around Jesus, listening intently. The Pharisees and religion scholars were not pleased, not at all pleased. They growled, "He takes in sinners and eats meals with them, treating them like old friends." Their grumbling triggered this story.

"Suppose one of you had a hundred sheep and lost one. Wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the lost one until you found it? And when found it, you can be sure you would put it across your shoulders, rejoicing, and when you got home call in your friends and neighbors, saying, 'Celebrate with me! I've found my lost sheep!' Count on it—there's more joy in heaven over one sinner's rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue."



#### Second Scripture Lesson—Luke 15: 8-10 (The Message Translation)

"Or imagine a woman who has ten coins and loses one. Won't she light a lamp and scour the house, looking in every nook and cranny until she finds it? And when she finds it you can be sure she'll call her friends and neighbors: 'Celebrate with me! I found my lost coin!' Count on it—that's the kind of party God's angels throw every time one lost soul turns to God."

# IN THE SAME WAY THERE IS JOY IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD'S ANGELS WHEN EVEN ONE SINNER REPENTS

LUKE 15:10

#### **SERMON QUESTIONS**

If you had 100 sheep and one went missing, where in your house or neighborhood do you think that sheep might go? In our story, where do you think the sheep went? How do you think the other 99 sheep who got left behind by the shepherd while he went off looking for the one lost sheep must have felt?

Have you ever lost something and weren't able to find it? How did that make you feel?

Jesus told this story about a lost sheep because he wants us to know that finding lost things are important. Why do you think Jesus wants us to work hard to find lost things?

Sometimes Bible stories cause us to ask questions and allow us to wonder about things. This story makes me wonder where the sheep went and why the sheep might have left the group. Can you think of a time that you wanted to be alone? Where do you go when you want to be alone?

Imagine you had twenty \$1 bills and you lost one of them. Would you look for the lost dollar? Why or why not? Now imagine that you have one \$20 bill that you lost it. Would you look for that bill? Why or why not?

Have you ever lost something really important to you? What did you do? Where did you look for it? How much time did you spend looking for it? If you found your lost item, how did you feel when you found it? Have you ever lost something and didn't find it again? What do we do when we lose someone or something that we can't get back?

In the story, when the woman finds her lost coin, she throws a party and invites all her friends to come and celebrate with her. Can you think of someone—a friend, a neighbor, a grandparent—who would especially love it if you threw them a party? Celebrating someone doesn't always mean we buy a cake or put up streamers. What are some ways we can celebrate one another today?



#### HYMN—"Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Jesus loves the little children
All the children of the world
Red, brown, yellow
Black and white
They are precious in His sight
Jesus loves the little children
Of the world

Jesus died for all the children All the children of the world Red, brown, yellow Black and white They are precious in His sight Jesus died for all the children Of the world.

Jesus rose for all the children All the children of the world Red, brown, yellow Black and white They are precious in His sight Jesus rose for all the children Of the world

Jesus cares for all the children All the children of the world Red, brown, yellow Black and white They are precious in His sight Jesus rose for all the children Of the world



#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Let us remember the following people in our prayers this week:

For the reconciliation of all God's children on our city streets and in our communities

Dan Stevenson's friend, Rich Parkes, who is at Miriam Hospital, and for his family

Prayers of mercy and healing for Bill Caldwell, who is recovering at home

Kim Tanguay, who is recovering from a motorcycle accident

Carol Smith, Margaret Ordonez's sister

Those battling with mental illness and depression

All healthcare providers and essential workers

Anna Brandenburg-Schroeder, Lea Dau's sister

Lisa Fabianski, friend of Diane and Wade Richmond

Cameron Hewey

George Labonte

George Labonte Karli Lamontagne

Jason Nelson, nephew of Deb Dennis
Lindsay-Rae, daughter of Jim and Brenda Verdoia
Mary Wells, friend of Mark and Diane Lamontagne
Joe Machado is requesting prayers for Jake Crane, Joe Resendes,
Aunt Alice, Cousin Gail, Lucy Gaspar, and family and friends

Please pray for our Chapel members and friends in nursing homes:
Bob Gilson, Joe Chopy, Irene Smith, Ruth and Fredrick Hooks

If you would like to have a name added to this weekly list of prayers, or if you know that a name you added can now be removed, please email the office at office@fourcornerschapel.org

or call the Church Office at (401) 333-6171.

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#### **HOW TO KEEP IN TOUCH**

The Deacons of Four Corners Community Chapel, in consultation with our church Council, and based on recommendations from the Southern New England Conference of the UCC, have decided to continue suspending in-person Sunday worship services through *at least the end of September*. This decision does not mean that the work and community of our church will be stopped, or even slowed down, at all. We will continue to work creatively and intentionally to partner with and financially support our various mission efforts both locally and globally, knowing how important it is to provide for the least among us at this time especially. In addition, our Deacons are working to keep us connected by providing congregational care through weekly phone calls. Church At Home services will continue online. Please check back to our website (https://www.fourcornerschapel.org) regularly for updates.

During these uncertain times, should you need assistance in some way, please contact the church office or Pastor David. We take it as our calling from God to do what we can to provide for each other's needs as best we can. Our Chapel office is now operating remotely. Phone messages will be checked during the week, so please continue to call the office at 401-333-6171 if you have any questions or concerns, and leave a message. Please note that your call may not be returned immediately. When sending mail to the Chapel, including any financial pledges or donations, please send it to 200 Angell Road, Cumberland, RI 02864. *Please do not send any mail to our PO Box at this time.* 

Likewise, you may also reach out to us via email by contacting us at office@fourcornerschapel.org, as email will also be checked throughout the week.

We will continue to use Constant Contact to reach out to you via group emails. If you have not signed up to receive "Down on the Corner" electronic newsletters, please visit our website and click the blue banner at the bottom of the home page to sign up.

In addition to our electronic newsletter, we will also be providing updates through the Chapel's Facebook page.



"All must give as they are able, according to the blessings given to them by the Lord your God."

- Deuteronomy 16:17

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