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Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Senior Pastor

Sunday, July 11, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m. 7th Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Dr. Leigh Ann Shaw, Senior Pastor "Setting Up Our Hope"

Scriptures: Ephesians 1:3-14 (NRSV)

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<sup>3</sup> Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

<sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love

<sup>5</sup> he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—

<sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

<sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace

<sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding,

<sup>9</sup> he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,

<sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

<sup>11</sup> In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,

<sup>12</sup> in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.

<sup>13</sup> And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,

<sup>14</sup> who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory. (<u>top</u>)