

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 21, 2024

10:00 am

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP* (from Psalm 24)

Come into the presence of the Most High God With songs of praise and shouts of thanksgiving. For our Savior frees us from slavery; our Savior heals our diseases; our Savior is our peace.

You are a holy temple in the Lord Jesus Christ. **Let us worship God.**

^{*}please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. We too often act as if we are in control, as if you will bless whatever we do. If we think of others at all, it is with an eye toward their usefulness to us. If we consider your creation, it is to ponder what benefits us. Have mercy on us, God of grace. Forgive our sins. Put the mind of Christ within us so that our lives take the form of a cross. Use us to break down walls of hostility within the church, among the nations, and around the world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

RESPONSE TO PARDON*

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Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son; praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One. Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high. Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

GOSPEL - Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Traci McCoy

OFFERING OF MUSIC "This Little Light of Mine" Emily, Jordan, and Riley Davis, with Forest Arnold

OLD TESTAMENT – 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

SERMON "Promises, Promises" Linda Dickerson

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE (from "A Declaration of Faith")

Across the centuries since the church was founded, the Holy Spirit has formed and identified it. We recognize the true church of Jesus Christ wherever the work of the Spirit is evident: in preaching and sacraments, in the new life and continuous growth of believers, in the sharing of spiritual gifts and material things, in mission and service to the word.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN* "The Church's One Foundation"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE*

Go now in peace, Go now in peace. May the love of God surround you Everywhere, everywhere you may go.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN - Everyone is invited!

To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who are lonely and need friends;
To all who mourn and need comfort;
To all who pray, and to all who do not,
but ought;
To all who sin and need a Savior,
And to whosoever comes —
The Church opens wide its doors, and says,
In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, "Welcome."