

WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.

*Gathering Music “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us;
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me; Shine on me.
Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Father’s glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

*Call to Worship

Leader: Neighbors and newcomers, families and strangers,

People: we gather in this place built by God’s steadfast love.

Leader: Strugglers and stragglers, pilgrims almost at the end of the journey,

People: each of us is seeks to follow Jesus, the compassionate One.

Leader: Builders of bridges in fractured communities,
those who stand on either side of walls of fear,

People: the Spirit of faithfulness calls us to live as one people – God’s people!

*Hymn of Praise #149 “All Hail to God’s Anointed”

Rockport

Prayer of Confession

Steadfast God, we confess that we are so busy putting up walls between ourselves and others, we cannot see the home you are building for all of us. We spend so much time noting the differences between us and others, while you are embracing everyone as your child. We run to welcome those who look, talk, and act like us, and you throw open your doors to the stranger, the alien, in our midst.

Forgive us, Faithful Heart. By your grace, help us to see the household you are building for all people: there are no plastic protectors on the furniture; there are no rooms that are off-limits; and even the smallest child is welcome to sit at the big peoples' Table and be fed by your grace. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our peace, our hope, our Lord, our Savior. *(silent prayer for personal confession)*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Do you remember? At one time, you were without Christ; you were the stranger, the outsider, and the alien. But now, in Christ, you have been brought home, living in God's household of hope and peace.

People: God's covenant with us is everlasting; God's steadfast love is forever; God's forgiveness makes us new and whole. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Prayer Response #814 “In God Alone”

Mon Ame Se Repose

In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy.

Only in God my soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.

*Affirmation of Faith “Psalm 23”

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the

presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

The Word Spoken

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 Sam 7:1-14a

Pew Bible, OT, Page 281

The Word with the Children

Anthem “Sukkot Song”

Ephesians 2:11-22

Pew Bible, NT, Page 193

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Word Declared: “A Tent-Dwelling God”

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of Response #301 “Let Us Build a House”

Two Oaks

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Let us pray. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, for you made us, and before us, you make the world we inhabit, and before the world, you made your eternal home in which, through Christ, we have a place. And grateful as we are for the world we know and the universe beyond our ken, we particularly praise you, whom eternity cannot contain, for coming to earth and entering time in Jesus. For his life which informs our living, for his compassion which changes our hearts, for his clear speaking which contradicts our harmless generalities, for his disturbing presence, his innocent suffering, his fearless dying, his rising to life breathing forgiveness, we praise you and worship him. Here too our gratitude rises for the promise of the Holy Spirit, who even yet even now, confronts us with your claims and attracts us to your goodness. Therefore we gladly join our voices to the song of the church on earth and in heaven:

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Setting our wisdom, our will, our words aside, emptying our hearts and bringing nothing in our hands, we yearn for the healing, the holding, the accepting, the forgiving which Christ alone can offer.

The 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.

Words of Institution

*Communion Hymn #527 “Eat This Bread”

Berthier

Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to Christ and never be hungry.

Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in Christ and you will not thirst.

(Repeat until all are served)

Prayer After the Meal

In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the Living Bread, and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

Offertory “Secret Place”

Rachel Lampa

*Doxology “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!”

Halle, Halle

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*Prayer of Dedication

*Closing Hymn #314 “Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness” *Christ, Be Our Light*

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Charge

*Benediction #765 “May the God of Hope Go with Us”

Argentina

May the God of hope go with us every day,

Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

May the God of justice speed us on our way,

Bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;

Working, for a world that’s new, faithful, when we hear Christ’s call.

Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

August Elders of the Month: Larry Jones and Graham Pope

Calendar for August 2 - 9

Today: 10:30 A.M. Coffee and Conversation
11:00 A.M. Worship, Communion

Tuesday: 10:00 A.M. Chair Exercise

Thursday: 8:00 P.M. Narcotics Anonymous

Friday: 8:00 P.M. Narcotics Anonymous

Sunday: 10:30 A.M. Coffee and Conversation
11:00 A.M. Worship

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Caider Hawtree	Mandy McGuire Willis (niece of Peggy McGuire & Ann Huffine)
Harold Henderson	

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Church in the Park** is scheduled for August 16th at 10:30 a.m. at Bur-Mil Park. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend!
- **Women's Circle** will resume in September for the 2015-2016 *Horizons* Bible Study, "Come to the Waters." Please talk to Rev. Karen Ware Jackson if you are interested!

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Grab a newsletter! You can pick up a current copy of the newsletter on the table in the narthex and can see previous copies on our website.

Join us for our monthly brunch! Every month on the 4th Sunday, we head down to the fellowship hall after worship for yummy food and good conversation.



"A Tent-Dwelling God"

We embrace inter-generational worship and welcome the giggles, questions, tears, and even shouts that enliven our oh-so-orderly service. We do have a **professionally staffed nursery** available for babies and toddlers, but we encourage our youngest members to learn with and from us throughout the worship service.

There is a **"prayerground"** available for children and adults at the front of the sanctuary. Feel free to join our young people in their interactive worship activities! **These experiences are great for active learners of all ages, and our children and their parents appreciate your engagement and support.**

We want to be a true family of faith and that means celebrating the gifts, questions, and talents of each of our members from young in age to young at heart!

August 2nd, 2015
11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day
10th Sunday After Pentecost

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