



# **NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**Pearland, TX**

**Worship at 8:00 AM**

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion, ELW Setting 4

July 17, 2022

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME – Pastor Grant Housewright

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

**All: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

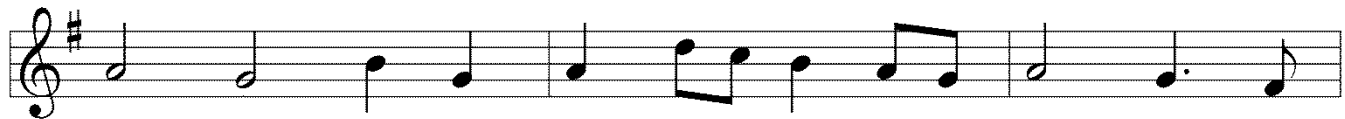
**All: Amen.**

# GATHERING HYMN

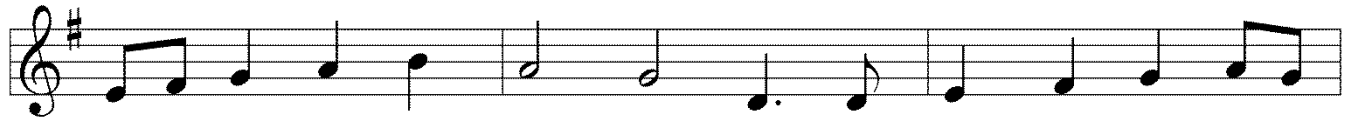
## *Dearest Jesus, at Your Word*



1 Dear-est Je - sus, at your word we have come a - gain to  
 2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
 3 Ra - diance of God's glo - ry bright, Light of light from God pro -  
 4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and ad - o -



hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred and in  
 shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks the night, fill - ing  
 ceed - ing, Je - sus, send your bless - ed light; help our  
 ra - tion! Grant us what we need the most: your blest



glow - ing faith be near you as the prom - is - es here  
 us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and all good  
 hear - ing, speak - ing, heed - ing, that our prayers and songs may  
 gos - pel's con - so - la - tion, while we here on earth a -



giv - en draw us whol - ly up to heav - en.  
 liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.  
 please you, as with grate - ful hearts we praise you.  
 wait you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

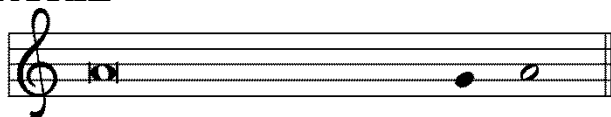
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 Music: LIEBSTER JESU, WIR SIND HIER, Johann R. Ahle, 1625–1673

## GREETING

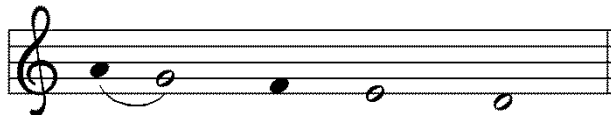
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

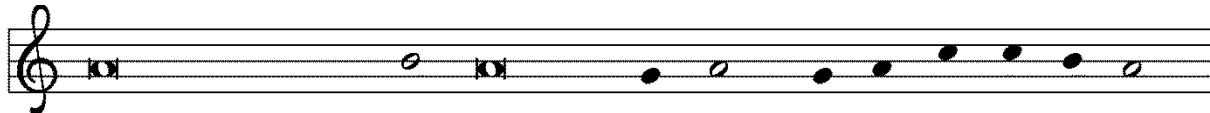
## KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



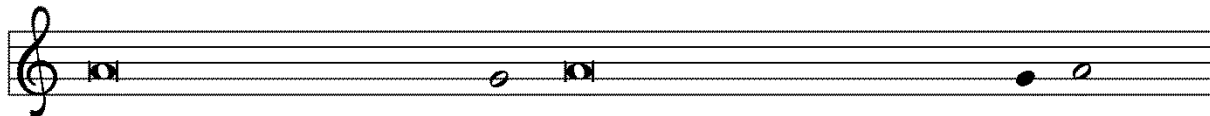
Lord, have mer - cy.



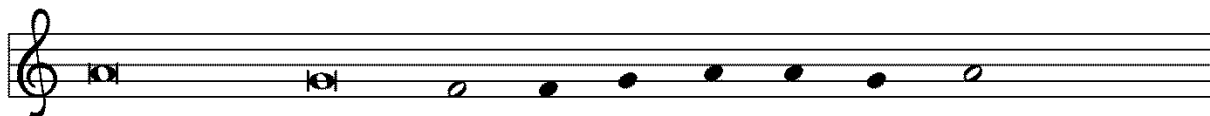
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



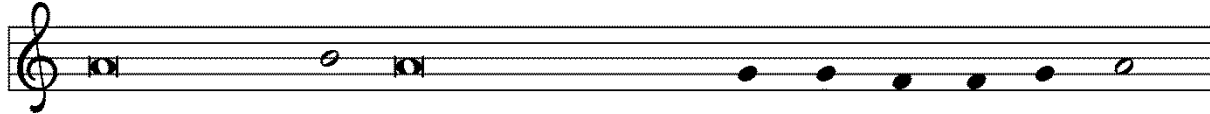
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



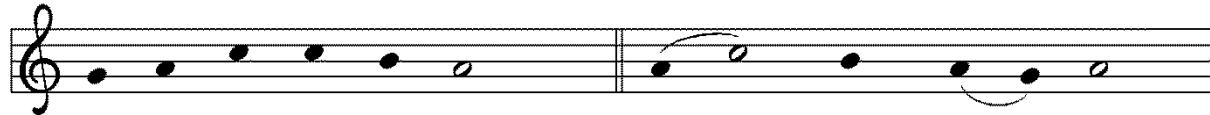
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

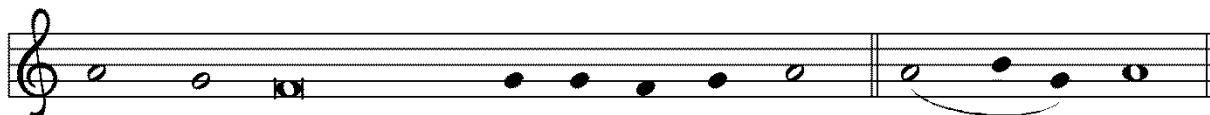


For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Assisting minister*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

*All*



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

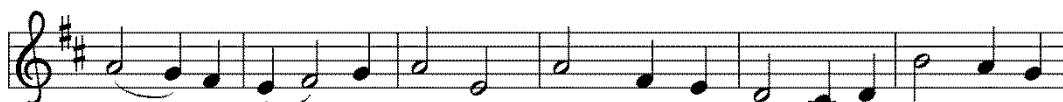
*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-10

A: <sup>1</sup>The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup>He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup>Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent."

<sup>10a</sup>Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

A: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 15

*Please read responsively*

A: <sup>1</sup>LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

All: <sup>2</sup>**Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,  
who speak the truth from their heart;**

A: <sup>3</sup>they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil<sup>l</sup> to their friends;  
they do not cast discredit up- on a neighbor.

All: <sup>4</sup>**In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD.  
They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.**

A: <sup>5</sup>They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.

All: **Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.**

## SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-28

A: <sup>15</sup>[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;<sup>16</sup>for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup>He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. <sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

<sup>21</sup>And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—<sup>23</sup>provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

<sup>24</sup>I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. <sup>25</sup>I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

A: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:38-42

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: <sup>38</sup>Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup>She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup>there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON - Pastor Grant Housewright

### HYMN OF THE DAY *Blessed Assurance*



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.  
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.  
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908



## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**A:** United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

**A:** Ever-present God, in Christ you fill all things. As your church gathers to hear your word, share your meal, and receive your blessing, teach us to welcome strangers as we have been welcomed by you. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

**A:** Through Christ you created all things, visible and invisible. Teach humankind to honor and protect all creation, including living things that remain hidden from our eyes such as air, atmosphere, molecules, and microscopic creatures. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

**A:** Through Christ you reconcile all things. Motivate those in power to end enslavement, dehumanization, or brutality of any kind and to protect and improve the lives of Indigenous peoples. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

**A:** Through Christ you bring peace. Assure all who are worried and distracted by many things of your constant presence. Soothe those suffering in mind, body, or spirit, including our homebound members. Sustain all who are afflicted and those who serve as caregivers. God of grace,

**All: hear our prayer.**

A: In Christ you make your word fully known. Inspire this worshiping community to abide fully in your word as we sit at the feet of Jesus. Bless the ministry of teachers and Bible study leaders. God of grace,  
**All: hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A: In Christ you brought forth the firstborn from the dead. We give thanks for the saints you have gathered at your table. Gather us with them in your eternal glory. God of grace,  
**All: hear our prayer.**

P: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.  
**All: Amen.**

### **PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**All: And also with you.**

### **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **OFFERING**

*The ministry of New Life Lutheran Church is made possible through the tithes, gifts, and offerings of the people. We encourage you to give as an act of worship today. You can offer a gift by texting to 281.864.3278, adding a dollar amount to the message box, and send. A link will appear for a one time set up. Once it is set up, it takes seconds to give again. You can also give through our website by scanning the QR code on the pew.*

### **OFFERTORY – Johnny Salvesen**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray. God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.  
**All: Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

P: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.  
Come to the banquet.

**All: Amen. Thanks be to God.**

## **SHARING THE MEAL**

*Everyone is welcome to receive Jesus in bread and wine. This is Jesus' table and he welcomes all. Pre-filled communion packets are available in the Narthex if you would prefer to receive communion that way. Everyone else is invited to come down the center aisle maintaining two continuous lines. You will receive a piece of bread with the words, "The body of Christ given for you," and you can respond with, "Amen." Remain on the side of the section of pews you are sitting in. You will receive an individual cup of either wine (red) or grape juice (clear) with the words, "The blood of Christ shed for you," and you can respond with, "Amen." There is a basket available for your empty cup. You will then return to your pew from the side aisle.*

# COMMUNION SONG      *I Come with Joy*



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are  
 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in  
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

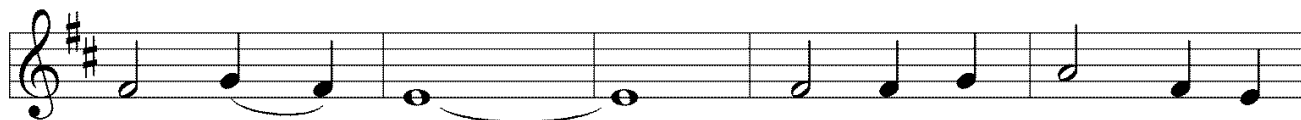
Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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## COMMUNION SONG      *Seek Ye First*



1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God and its  
2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek and



right - teous - ness, and all these things shall be  
you shall find; knock and the door shall be



add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.  
o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: Matthew 6:33, 7:7; adapt. Karen Lafferty, b. 1948

Music: LAFFERTY, Karen Lafferty, b. 1948

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

All: Amen.

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – Johnny Salvesen

### BLESSING

P: The God of peace, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

All: Amen.

# SENDING SONG

## How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der con - sid - er  
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the  
 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to  
 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me



all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y  
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain  
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad - ly  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis - played;  
 gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;  
 bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;  
 ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

### Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

Text: Carl Boberg, 1859–1940; tr. and adapt. Stuart K. Hine, 1899–1989  
 Music: O STORE GUD, Swedish folk tune

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## DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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**All Are Welcome!**  
**New Life Lutheran Church**

**UPCOMING CHURCH**  
**ACTIVITY & WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 17<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am & 10:30 am In-Person & Livestream Worship  
Fellowship Hour @ 9:15am

Season of Pentecost

Vacation Bible School Leaders Meeting Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup> @ 9:15am

Single Mom's Closet Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> 10:30am-2:30pm

Vacation Bible School July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-8:00pm

Rally Day & Backpack Blessing August 14<sup>th</sup>

Sunday School Begins August 21<sup>st</sup>

New Member Class August 28<sup>th</sup> @ Noon

God's Work, Our Hands Service Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup>

One Worship Service @ 9:30am

Altar Flowers this week are provided by Nancy & Roland Bryars  
in honor of their 29<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.



**Today's Worship Leaders (8:00am)**

Assisting Minister

Cheryl Robinson

Communion Assistant

Nancy Bryars, Lynn Barron

Usher

Charlie Gaevert, Jamie Flick

Technology

John F. Gestl