

Prelude ~

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Leader:

Susie Haver

**(Please stand as you are able)*

Christ's Light Enters

***Call to Worship**

God has been acting in our lives and in the world around us this past week.

We have come for this hour of worship to make ourselves more aware of God and to give thanks for God's presence with us.

God is here even now, ready to strengthen us and to urge us to greater faithfulness.

Fill us with your goodness, O God. Draw us into the orbit of your activity in the world that we might fulfill the purpose for which you created us.

***Opening Hymn**

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing” #158

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and praise your holy name, in this hour and always. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 49:1-17

Liturgist: Ellen Anderson

Children's Moment

Pastor Melanie

[After Children's Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:33-37

Sermon

“Become a Servant”

Part 3: Radical Sayings of Jesus

Pastor Melanie Adams

Time of Prayer

(Where have you seen God's presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)

Lord's Prayer #895

Offertory

***The Doxology** “Praise God, From Whom All Blessing Flow” #94

***Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

As forgiven and reconciled people, we gratefully offer ourselves and these gifts to you, O God. It is our joy to serve you! Use us and these gifts to make your love known in this world. Amen.

Communion Song

“In Remembrance of Me” #2254

Holy Communion

***Closing Hymn**

“The Summons” #2130

Our Purpose

What is our purpose?

We come to experience Christ's love, and work together to live it out!

Benediction

Benediction Response

“This Is My Song” #437

Postlude ~

**Taking the 740
Prayer Initiative a
Step Further**

Please continue to pray for our church each day at 7:40 am or pm. Set your phone alarm to remind you! If you need a copy of the short 740 guide, there are extras in the ladder style organizer outside the sanctuary.

This week, let us pray specifically for a way forward for our church financially; that God would help us meet our budget needs so that we can better be in ministry to the community and in the world. We might also ask ourselves, “What is my part in helping us be a more financially strong congregation?”

PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today.

Jesus changes lives!

**Family of Jay McKenna
David Edwards & Family**

Thoughts to Ponder

*Are you an "intentional servant," one who chooses to serve and finds comfort in serving others?

*Have you avoided the "pedestal syndrome" talked about in today's sermon?

*How does your relationship with Christ fit into your service to others?

*In what areas are you sensing God's call to serve?

If you are interested in baptism and/or church membership, please call the office to make an appointment to talk with Pastor Melanie.



Events this week in church:

Sunday, July 1st

9:30 am Sunday school
10:30 am Worship Service
11:30 am Fellowship
11:30 am Education

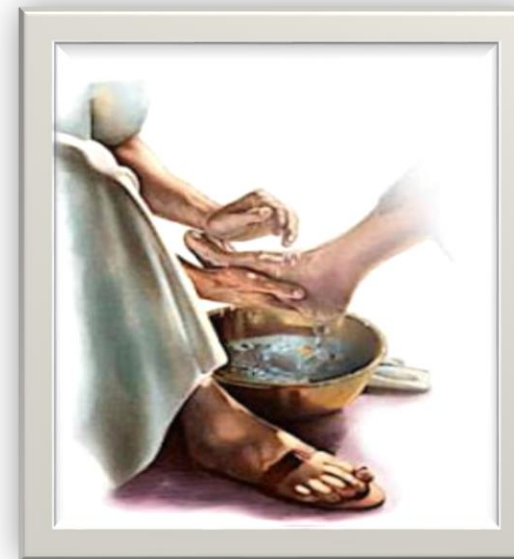
Sunday, July 8th

9:30 am Sunday school
10:30 am Worship Service
11:30 am Fellowship
11:45 am Discipleship

Sunday, July 15th

11:30 am Farewell Potluck honoring Tony & Hannah Burnett, sponsored by Chanel Choir.

The IMPACT Mission group extends a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who donated, loaned tools, helped fundraise, offered prayers and loaned vehicles and trailers. Without your support this Mission trip would have never come to fruition!!



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