

The Community Gathers

Prelude & Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome & Announcements Loren Swenson

(*Please stand as you are able)

*Passing the Peace

*Opening Hymn All Who Hunger #2126

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus Said: "Anyone who receives you, receives me,

People: And anyone who receives me, receives the One who sent me." Leader: Sisters and brothers: We gather together in the presence of the God...

People: Who receives us with open arms, who loves us unconditionally, and who bids us do the same to one another.

All: Let's worship God together!

Song of Praise Grace Alone #2162

Opening Prayer

On this day, O Lord, we gather around your table as one family, we drink from the same Spirit, we share one baptism, and find ourselves embraced by one faith, For this family, which you hold so dear, may there be no barriers, no nationalities, no race or tongue, and no culture that could separate us. You invite all your children, women, men, young, and old to celebrate our unity and to announce your great sacrifice. Help us, O Lord, to extend your invitation to all your children to gather at your table to quench their hunger and thirst for justice. We pray in your holy name. Amen

Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song Breathe on Me, Breath of God #420

Holy Communion #12

Scripture Sentence" I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me" ~ Psalm13:6

Tithes, Gifts and Offerings

Doxology #94

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, you have poured down on us all manner of gifts and blessings; the ledger of our lives is so overwhelmed with your goodness that we struggle with how small our offerings to you seem in comparison. The gospel reminds us that not even the smallest act of mercy and compassion—a cup of cold water _ will go unnoticed by you. Give us the eyes to see those in need, the ears to hear those who cry for justice, and the hearts to comfort those hurting and grieving. If we all were to offer a cup of cold water, the world would be flooded with compassion. We ask this in Christ, our rock, and our redeemer. Amen.

Hearing and Responding to the Word

Scripture Lesson Romans 6:12-23

Hymn Jesus Loves Me #191 (First Stanza)

Children's Message Mary Lisa Thoman

Gospel Lesson

Affirmation

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message

Thanksgiving

Prayer

Apostle's Creed #881

Going into the World to Serve

Our Purpose

What is our Purpose?

To Provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!

Sending Song Together We Serve #2175

Benediction

Benediction Response Let there be Peace on Earth #431

Postlude and Taking the Light of Christ into the World

Events this Week: Sunday, July 2, 2023 9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Worship Services 11:30am Worship Leaders Training

Monday, July 3, 2023 At Dusk City Fireworks

Tuesday, July 4, 2023 Happy 4th of July

Wednesday, July 5, 2023 5:00pm Sitting With Jesus

Sunday, July 9, 2023 9:30am Crusaders 9:30am Searchers 10:30am Worship Services 11:30am Good Neighbor meeting

Upcoming Events:

July 16,17,18 5:30pm VBS





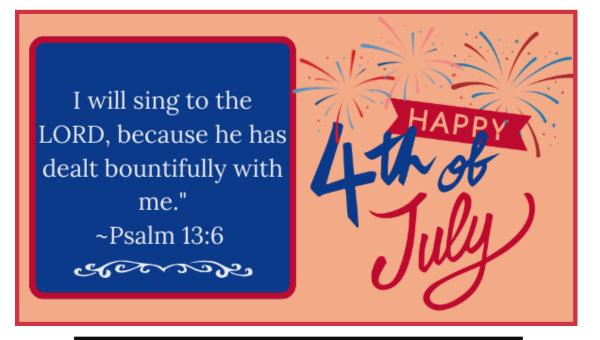
2~Lane Campbell 4~Katie Johnson 4~Jessi Kindscher 5~Leslie Baker 6~Lily Terrill 8~Kirstin Peltier





COMMODITIES

WEDNESDAY **JULY 19, 2023** ALL VOLUNTEERS WELCOME WE WILL MEET IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL OR BACK PARKING LOT.



July 2, 2023

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Do No Harm ~ Do Good ~ Stay in Love With God. **John Wesley**