

## Our Mission

**“to serve God and share the good news of Jesus Christ”**

***Seventh Sunday after Pentecost***

**July 11, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.**

### **Prelude**

“Prelude” (from Opus 183)  
Reimecke

Gene Fougner, organist

### **Introduction**

*When Amos reports his vision of God judging Israel for its mistreatment of the poor, he becomes a threat to the power of the priests and the king. John the Baptist also speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. In Herod’s fear that Jesus is John returned from the dead, we may hear hope for the oppressed: all the prophets killed through the ages are alive in Jesus. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God’s saving love.*

## **GATHERING**

### **Invocation**

**P:** In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.*

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** God, our provider,

**C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

**P:** Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**C: Amen.**

### **Opening Hymn**

ELW #532

*“Gather Us In”* (vs. 1 & 4)

Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away  
here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

### **Prayer of the Day**

**C:** O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### **Children's Message**

### **Presentation of Endowment Grants**

## **WORD**

### **First Reading**

Amos 7:7-15

*Amos is not the kind of prophet attached to temples or royal courts. Rather, he is an ordinary farmer from Judah (the southern kingdom) called by God to speak to Israel (the northern kingdom). God's word of judgment through Amos conflicts with the king's court prophet Amaziah, whom Amos encounters at Bethel.*

**L:** Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **Second Reading**

Ephesians 1:3-14

*In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation.*

**L:** Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **Special Music**

Jubilate, Gene Fougner director

“‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” (by Kirkpatrick/Sanders/Cota)

### **Gospel Reading**

Mark 6:14-29

*As Jesus and his disciples begin to attract attention, Mark recalls the story of John the Baptist's martyrdom. Like John, Jesus and his disciples will also suffer at the hands of those opposed to the gospel of salvation.*

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Message**

Pastor Tricia Lowe

**“Measuring Up”**

*“Faith of Our Fathers”* (vs. 1 & 2)

Faith our fathers, living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.  
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy when-e’er we hear that glorious word.  
Faith of our fathers, Holy faith, we will be true to you till death.

The martyrs, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free;  
and blest would be their children’s fate if they, like the, should die for thee.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to you till death.

**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**

L: Let us come before the triune God in prayer. *A brief silence.*

L: Holy parent, you welcome your people into one family and gather all things to yourself. Bestow your grace upon your beloved church, lavish your wisdom upon us, and redeem us from our faults, that by our witness all might praise your glory. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: Awesome Creator, you steadfastly tend to the smallest of seeds and the mightiest of sycamore trees. Spring up green growth from the earth, nourish the growth of fruit, grain, and other crops, and bless the work of farmers and laborers. Bring rain to a parched earth and protect us from wildfires. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: God of the oppressed, turn the ears of those who are in power to the voices of prophets in our own day. Protect those who speak difficult truths when it is risky to do so. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: God of strength, you are near to those who endure difficulty. Comfort all who are survivors of violence, guard the refugee and the immigrant, and protect all those who are victims of prejudice and discrimination. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: God of love, we pray for this holy house and all those who worship here. We pray especially for those whose efforts behind the scenes often go unnoticed; for the custodian and church yard workers, for our office and media volunteers and staff and for all the volunteers that help make our ministries happen. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

L: Please take this time to offer any other intercessions, either aloud or in your heart.

L: We thank you, God, for the saints, martyrs, and prophets who have died in the faith. We remember those in this community who have recently died. United with them as God's children, assure us that we are yours forever. We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

**C: Amen.**

### **Offering**

**P:** We give thanks for the offerings that we have received in the mail, online and in person this past week. These gifts make it possible for us to continue to be the church in the world. If you are worshiping with us today and would like to make a donation, please go to our website and click the online giving link.

### **Offering Prayer**

**P:** Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

**C: Amen.**

## ***MEAL***

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P:** Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth...

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

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

**C: 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**

### **Invitation to Communion**

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come, for this is the body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

### **Communion Blessing**

### **Communion Hymn**

ELW #638

*“Blessed Assurance”* (vs. 1)

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchased of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long:  
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

### **Prayer after Communion**

P: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

**C: Amen.**

## ***SENDING***

### **Announcements**

### **Blessing**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **Sending Hymn**

ELW #726

*“Light Dawns in a Weary World”* (vs. 1)

Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to see all people’s dignity.  
Light dawns on a weary world: the promised day of justice comes.  
The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;  
the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!  
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,  
as all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

### **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

Gene Fougner, organist

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As a congregation, we pray for God's guidance on our journey of service to our membership, our community and our world. Pray for Pastor Tricia, the Church Council, and the Ministry Leadership. The church office reviews this list monthly. Please call if your prayer concern is removed earlier than you wish.

Please keep the following in your prayers during this week:

### **Members**

<i>Casey Rooney</i>	<i>Helen Morton</i>	<i>Kathy Austin</i>	<i>Sue Smith</i>
<i>Cris Spahr</i>	<i>Inge Scholl</i>	<i>Ron Kovara</i>	<i>Tom Smith</i>
<i>Chuck Lynch</i>	<i>Isabel Benell</i>	<i>Sheila Smilgis</i>	
<i>Compton Reeves</i>	<i>Kat Harley-Mays</i>	<i>Stan Walters</i>	

### **Our Family Members in Military and Deployed**

*Meg Northrup*

### **Family Members and Friends**

<i>Asher Stuart – great grandson of Nancy Renner</i>	<i>Kris Franklin – friend of Wendy Woolley</i>
<i>Berto Rosellini – husband of Gayle Rosellini</i>	<i>Leroy Goats – father-in-law of Kimberly Goats</i>
<i>Bill Deffenbaugh – stepfather of Kimberly Goats</i>	<i>Linda Vallner – sister of Ron Kovara</i>
<i>Bill &amp; Ruth Garrett – friend of Kimberly Goats</i>	<i>Marie – Clara Farmer's son's mother-in-law</i>
<i>Bill Trancik – fiancé of Sheila Smilgis</i>	<i>Mark Erickson – friend of Mark &amp; Mary Austin</i>
<i>Buel McCoy – father of Wendy Woolley</i>	<i>Mark Kovara – son of Ron Kovara</i>
<i>Carol &amp; Rita Kuenne – friend of Mark &amp; Mary Austin</i>	<i>Marilyn Boston – cousin of Sue &amp; Tom Smith</i>
<i>Cheryl Midel – aunt of Wendy Woolley</i>	<i>Mary Leavy – mother of Kathie Siggs</i>
<i>Charles Dean – great nephew of Gail Kenny</i>	<i>Merle MacCleary – father of Pam MacCleary</i>
<i>Chris Vettore – daughter of Ron Kovara</i>	<i>Miranda &amp; Brad Rebholz – granddaughter and</i>
<i>Connie – friend of Helen Morton</i>	<i>grandson of Jim &amp; Carole Rebholz</i>
<i>Connie Miller &amp; son Trevor – friends of Carl Schulze</i>	<i>Phil Miller – friend of Emmanuel</i>
<i>Cris &amp; Susie – brother &amp; sister of Clara Farmer</i>	<i>Rev. Paul Meier – former pastor of Larry &amp; Sonya</i>
<i>Dawn Byars – stepsister of Kimberly Goats</i>	<i>Mahler</i>
<i>Doug Bayle – nephew of Phyllis Pohlman</i>	<i>Rich, Carol, daughter of Rachel &amp; Granddaughter of</i>
<i>Edie Hales – mother of Cheryl Miller</i>	<i>Audrey, friend of Larry &amp; Sonya Mahler</i>
<i>Edward Kelly – friend of Mark &amp; Mary Austin</i>	<i>Rosemary – neighbor of Mary Wakimoto</i>
<i>Glen Stockbridge – son of David Stockbridge</i>	<i>Rudy &amp; Lena Juarez – friends of Julie Chisholm</i>
<i>Jack Gregory – friend of Ellen Rosfeld</i>	<i>Sam Crifasi – friend of Larry Mahler</i>
<i>Joann Harlib – mother of Scott Harlib</i>	<i>Sarah Mulligan – daughter of Carol Wade</i>
<i>John Wade – husband of Carol Wade</i>	<i>Star Campbell – friend of Bob Saul</i>
<i>Joshua Diebel – stepbrother of Tawnya Worthington</i>	<i>Suzanne Stump – friend of Emmanuel</i>
<i>Julie Ward – daughter of Keith &amp; Cathy Namock</i>	<i>Tom Spahr – husband of Cris Spahr</i>
<i>Katy Rost &amp; family – cousin of Kimberly Goats</i>	<i>Wayne Stithem – friend of Emmanuel</i>
<i>Kay &amp; Dave families – sons of Bert &amp; Kathy Austin</i>	<i>Wayne Wallingford – brother of Sheila Smilgis</i>
<i>Kent Freeland – son-in-law of Donna &amp; A.E. Morgan</i>	

**Someone is in the church office Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. except Wednesdays. Wednesdays will be from 9:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. Please check in at the office when you arrive so we know who is in the building. Please wear a mask. Please call 772-4135 about the building availability, if you want to use a room for bible study, meeting, etc.**

**MISSION OUTREACH** for the month of **July** is **Stepping Stones Women's and Children's Shelter**. Stepping Stones believes that all individuals who seek help due to some form of victimization or abuse need a therapeutic response. We work very hard to help women in our programs to become aware of their personal responsibility to end abuse or homelessness in their lives and the lives of their children. Stepping Stones is dedicated to ending violence/abuse in the family and promoting individual self-sufficiency, personal growth, self-worth and resiliency in the women and children that we are committed to serve.

**Blood Drive** - Emmanuel will host a blood drive on **July 19, 1:00-5:00 p.m.** See Gail Gentes at the table in the narthex to sign up or give Gail a call at 928-910-5375 to sign up or if you have questions. Gail's email is [grgentes@msn.com](mailto:grgentes@msn.com)

**Backpacks and School Supplies** – We are collecting backpacks and school supplies this month for the Family Resource Center for the Humboldt School District. Watch for sales that will be coming up shortly and if you can please purchase what you can and bring to the church during July. All items will be delivered to the Resource Center on July 30.

**EXCITING NEWS:** We are now into stage five of our reopening plan, which means: all the chairs will be back in the sanctuary, no limit on numbers of folks attending, and those fully vaccinated do not need to wear a mask. We encourage mask and distancing for those who are not vaccinated, including children.

**Food Pantry** - We are now resuming the collection food items for the Prescott Valley Food Pantry at 8781 Spouse. Items most needed and used: canned fruits, canned vegetables, tuna, canned chicken, pastas, mac & cheese, peanut butter, cereals, and rice. Cash donations are always appreciated, as they can fill in with items such as fresh food, breads and meats.

**Shares of Faith**, financial gifts, are a wonderful means of honoring, celebrating and memorializing your loved ones. They are given for life events as well as deaths. Your Shares of Faith will be acknowledged in our weekly service folder.

**Interfaith Meal** – Next meal will be July 23, 11:00 am. We are now doing 150 take-out meals. If you are able to help, please let Mary know.

**Habitat For Humanity Annual Golf Tournament** date has been reschedule to **August 30, 2021 at the Club at Prescott Lake**. If you would like to participate in this golf tournament the registration forms are located on the table in the narthex. If you have questions, please call 928-899-3343 or email [aayers@prescotthabitat.org](mailto:aayers@prescotthabitat.org).

**Quilters** – Our group of ladies that quilt meet every First and Third Thursday of each month from 9:00 am to 10:30 a.m. Anyone who would like to learn or who is a quilter is welcomed to come and join in.

**Thrivent Member Action Cards** – Each member is allocated two cards per year of \$250.00 each. If you have not used your action cards, please consider applying for a card to support the Interfaith Meal.

**Lectionary Bible Study** meets on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, led by Hal Vogelaar and Larry Gordon.

**Aluminum Cans** – Emmanuel is still collecting cans. Please bring to the church and deposit in the container held in the dumpster area.