

4th Sunday after Pentecost – July 3rd, 2022 – 9:15 AM

Gathering Music & Announcements

Jeff Beyers, Organist

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 33)

Rejoice in the LORD, People of God! Praise the LORD! Sing to God a new song!

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, whose people he has chosen as his heritage.

The LORD looks down from heaven and sees all humankind.

Our hearts and souls gladly rejoice in the steadfast love of the LORD. Amen.

Opening Hymn*

God of the Ages

UMH 698

Kathy Frawley: Cantor

Opening Prayer* (Responsive)

LORD, we give you thanks for all of the blessings of this day:

For home, and family, and friends...

For community, state, and nation...

For the freedom to gather in worship...

For the beauty of our nation from coast to coast...

For the best that we can be...

For freedom of expression...

For freedom from fear...

For all of the freedoms that we have... that we may always use them to love and protect one another, and never use them for harm.

For the sacred responsibility that comes along with freedom...

For the opportunity to care for the least, the last, and the lost among us...

For life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness... to be the people that you have called us to be – the people of the Living Christ... LORD, we give you thanks. Amen.

Hymn*

America the Beautiful

UMH 696

Moment for Ministry

Fellowship Ministry

Rev. Lynn Boyd

Sacrament of Baptism & Welcoming New Members

Call to Confession (Romans 8:38-39)

Chas Hagan

“Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor power, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Assured by these words of promise, let us examine our hearts and confess our sins to God.

Prayer of Confession and Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance (Psalm 103:17)

The mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Glory be to God. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you always. **And also with you, Amen.**

Hymn

Freely, Freely

UMH 389

Scripture Readings

Chas Hagan

Galatians 3:26-27

“For in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.”

Ephesians 4:22-24

“You were taught to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its lusts, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.”

Colossians 3:12-17

“Therefore, as God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

Romans 13:11-14

“Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.”

2 Corinthians 5:1-5

“For we know that, if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be further clothed with our heavenly dwelling, for surely when we have been clothed in it, we will not be found naked. For while we are in this tent, we groan under our burden because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. The one who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit

Hymn

Something Beautiful (2X)

UMH 394

Sermon

“Sacred Community Part 3: Striving Toward Transformation”

Rev. Byron E. Brought

Reflective Organ Music

This moment of reflection is an opportunity to consider your response to God.

How will you demonstrate your love for God?

How will you give of your time, your talents, and your treasures?

Our offering plates are in the back of the sanctuary,

or please consider giving electronically; please ask us how. Thank you.

Communion & The Lord's Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn*

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

The Faith We Sing 2140

Benediction & Sending Forth*

Organ Postlude



Continued Prayers: Art Benson, Dylan Bonomo, Paul Bowden, Shirley Cooney, Wanda Denver, Doug Ellington, Linda Erickson, Christine Gregory, Jim Hainley, Sandy Hainley, Stephanie Juchs Heidbreder, Caroline Higgins, Nancy Jenkins, Wes Jenkins, Pat Jones, Jeff Juchs, Sandy Juchs, Eric Keele, Lynn King, Jill Kruger, Bob Lemmon, Linda Lemmon, Carol Lingelbach, Ted Lingelbach, Christian Magee, Joy Merryman, Bruce Middlekauff, Richard Miller, Robert Miller, George Newberry, Alice Paradise, Warren Pardo, Jack Potter, Pat Potter, John Renshaw, Shirley Singstock, Corinne Smith, Ron Stearn, Nancy Tolley, Paula Van Hart, Lauren Wessel.

We extend our deepest Christian sympathy to Ken, Nancy, and Ashleigh Schmidt on the passing of Ken's father, Curtis J. Schmidt, Sr. Also in our prayers are Lisa Schmidt, Kelsey Kelley, Emily Sofia, and their families, and Gail and Judy Hatfield.

Altar Flower Dedication: The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Helen M. Lowry (1920-2003), Mother and Grand Mom by Pat Tyson and Gloria Thomas.

Summer Fellowship – Are you willing to help with summer fellowship opportunities (i.e., serving cookies and lemonade during fellowship)? Please see one of the pastors. Thank you for your help.

Summer Music Opportunities

Can you sing a solo, duet, trio, etc.? Can you play the banjo, bagpipes, harmonica, or kazoo, etc.? Can you do a liturgical dance? We'd like for you to offer your musical gifts in worship this summer. Please see Dave Tramontana, or one of the pastors.

First Sunday Hymn Sings at Mt. Carmel

Please join us for hymn sing tonight at Mt. Carmel Chapel at 5 pm.

June & July Sermon Series – Living in Sacred Community

- ❖ June 19 – Sacred Community Part 1 – Strive to Love
- ❖ June 26 – Sacred Community Part 2 – Strive to Think Like Christ
- ❖ **July 3 – Sacred Community Part 3 – Strive Toward Transformation**
- ❖ July 10 – Sacred Community Part 4 – Strive to Be Positive
- ❖ July 17 – Sacred Community Part 5 – Strive to Forgive
- ❖ July 24 – Sacred Community Part 6 – Strive to Encourage

Have You Met Our New Members?

Stop by the bulletin board next to the narthex to see our most recent new members. Meet and greet them as you can. Take the time to welcome them to our loving family.

Food Ministry Volunteers Needed

- **Manna House** – Every Wednesday, 10am-12pm
- **Family Food Distribution** – Next one is July 9th (due to the holiday), 8am-12pm
- **Senior Food Distribution** – Next one is June 30th; driver pickup anytime between 9am-2pm

Your service toward our community goes a long way to help and serve our neighbors in need. Please consider giving of your time. Let's put our faith in action. Thank you!

Habitat for Humanity Panel Build – Saturday, July 16th – Ministry Volunteers Needed!

During a panel build, we will build the walls for a Habitat home right at the BAUMC parking lot. This is one of the many opportunities for putting God's love into action by building homes, communities, and hope. We need your help. It's from 8:30am-12:30pm, and you need to be over 16 years old. Contact **Randy Wentsel** for more information.

wentsel@hotmail.com

YOU MUST REGISTER WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Below is the registration information for the panel build:

<https://habitatsusq.org/volunteer-with-habitat/construction-volunteers>

Safety & Security Team

In an effort to be safe, our Safety & Security Team will begin locking outside doors 15 minutes after the start of worship. You may always enter through the McComas entrance if you're running late. The team is looking for new members to help out with emergency preparedness. Please see one of the ushers or one of the pastors if you'd like to help.

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God of the Ages

God of the ages, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land with thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase; thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way; lead us from night to never ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

America the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain; for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life! America! America! May God thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears! America! America! God mend thine every flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

Freely, Freely

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name, and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his love as he told me to.

He said “Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give. Go in my name, and because you believe, others will know that I live.”

All power is given in Jesus' name, in earth and heaven in Jesus' name, and in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his power as he told me to. **Refrain**

Something Beautiful

Something beautiful, something good; all my confusion he understood; all I had to offer him was brokenness and strife, but he made something beautiful of my life.

Something beautiful, something good; all my confusion he understood; all I had to offer him was brokenness and strife, but he made something beautiful of my life.

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought since Jesus came into my heart! I have light in my soul for which long I had sought, since Jesus came into my heart!

Since Jesus came into my heart, since Jesus came into my heart, floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll, since Jesus came into my heart.

I have ceased from my wandering and going astray, since Jesus came into my heart! And my sins, which were many, are all washed away, since Jesus came into my heart! **Refrain**

I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure, since Jesus came into my heart! And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway obscure, since Jesus came into my heart! **Refrain**

There's a light in the valley of death now for me, since Jesus came into my heart! And the gates of the City beyond I can see, since Jesus came into my heart! **Refrain**

I shall go there to dwell in that City, I know, since Jesus came into my heart! And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go, since Jesus came into my heart! **Refrain.**