

8th Sunday after Pentecost – July 31st, 2022 – 9:15 AM

Gathering Music & Announcements

Rev. Deb Lampton

Call to Worship

Good morning, Church! Let us come before our God with joy!

There is power in the name of Jesus – power to heal our hearts – power to heal our land.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

Opening Hymns*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (vs.1, 2, 4 & 6)

UMH 154

Give Thanks

TFWS 2036

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

And now, let the weak say, 'I am strong;' let the poor say, 'I am rich;'

Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Opening Prayer (Unison)

Praise be to you, Gracious Lord, for this day, for the earth that you've created, and all that is within it, and for the life that you've given us as a gift. We thank you for your Holy Spirit, who is actively on the move here around us – your Spirit, who created us, and your Spirit, who is actively re-creating us still. We praise you for the miracles around us both big and small. We thank you for your almighty power and care, which guides us and sustains us. We thank you for the strength to overcome our trials and tribulations, and we thank you for the triumphs and joys, which move us to praise you. As we gather before you this morning, let us pause, pray, hear, listen, grow, and be moved to outwardly serve with a grateful and generous love, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, Amen.

Psalm 23

Amelia Clague

Hymns

He Leadeth Me

UMH 128

Be Thou My Vision

UMH 451

Special Organ Music

Ben Dugan

Moment for Ministry

VBS – Food Truck Party

Deb Lampton

Prayer of Confession (PCUSA Book of Common Worship)

Mike Wolf

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change. Open to us a future in which we can be changed, and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. **Amen.**

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.**

Scripture Reading

Luke 12: 13-34

Mike Wolf

Special Music

Impossible Things

Cheryl Carmen, Andrea Sergi, & Deb Lampton

Reflective 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****Closing Hymns***

*Seek Ye First
More Precious Than Silver*

UMH 405
TFWS 2065

Lord, you are more precious than silver, Lord, you are more costly than gold.
Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds, and nothing I desire compares with you.

Benediction & Sending Forth***Organ Postlude**

Continued Prayers: Art Benson, Paul Bowden, Linda Erickson, Christine Gregory, Stephanie Juchs Hiedbreder, Carolyn Higgins, Nancy Jenkins, Wes Jenkins, Pat Jones, Sandy Juchs, Eric Keele, Jill Kruger, Bob Lemmon, Linda Lemmon, Ted Lingelbach, Joy Merryman, Bruce Middlekauff, Robert Miller, George Newberry, Alice Paradise, Warren Pardo, Jack Potter, Pat Potter, Dave Shaffer, Shirley Singstock, Ron Stearn, Deanna Stielper, Nancy Tolley, Paula Van Hart, Lauren Wessel.

Altar Flower Dedication: The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Betty & Don Haviland from Sue, Jim, Matt, and Dane.

Summer Fellowship: Join us for Cookies, Lemonade & Fellowship at the Welcome Desk (right outside of the sanctuary in the hall) from 10-11 am every Sunday.

First Sunday Hymn Sings at Mt. Carmel

Please join us for hymn sing next Sunday, August 7th, at Mt. Carmel Chapel at 5 pm.

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 August 13; 8am-12pm
- **Senior Food Distribution** – Next one is August 25; driver pick-up anytime between 9am-2pm

Thank you for the gift of your time as we "Love as Jesus Loves!"

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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail Him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all; Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all; to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his fee may fall! We'll join that everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all; we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

Give Thanks

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Give thanks. Give thanks.

He Leadeth Me

He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heav'nly comfort fraught! What e'er I do, where e'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me; his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. **Refrain.**

Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor ever murmur nor repine; content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. **Refrain.**

And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the victory's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. **Refrain.**

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

More Precious Than Silver

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