

WE SEEK TO UNITE ALL PEOPLE WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER IN CHRIST THROUGH WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, EDUCATION, AND SERVICE.

Welcome! We're glad you're here.



PRELUDE: Hymn Medley

OPENING HYMN 372: Praise to the Living God.....Leoni

1. Praise to the living God, all praised be his name; who was and is and is to be, for ay the same. The one eternal God ere aught that now appears, the first, the last, beyond all thought his timeless years.
2. Formless, all lovely forms, declare his loveliness; holy, no holiness of earth can his express. Lo, he is Lord of all, creation speaks his praise, and everywhere above, below, his will obeys.
3. His Spirit bloweth free, high surging where it will; in prophet's word he spoke of old, he speaketh still. Established is his law, and changeless it shall stand, deep writ upon the human heart, on land.
4. Eternal life hath he implanted in the soul; his love shall be our strength and stay while ages roll. Praise to the living Gd! All prais-ed be his Name, who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

OPENING SENTENCES:

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."**Psalm 122:1**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.**Philippians 1:2**

CONFESSION OF SIN:

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart,
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER:

All Stand

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

All: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

All: Come let us adore him.

Venite: S-35 (sung by all)

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

All: **Come let us adore him.**

THE PSALMPsalm 138

1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *

before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple

and praise your Name, *

because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name *

and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; *

you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *

when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *

that great is the glory of the LORD.

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *

he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *
O LORD, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will before ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

A reading from Genesis 18:20-32

The LORD said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

The Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

A reading from Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

*Response: **Thanks be to God.***

O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done, *
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
O King of all the ages.
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name? *
for you only are the Holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
because your just and holy works have been revealed.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

A reading from Luke 11:1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

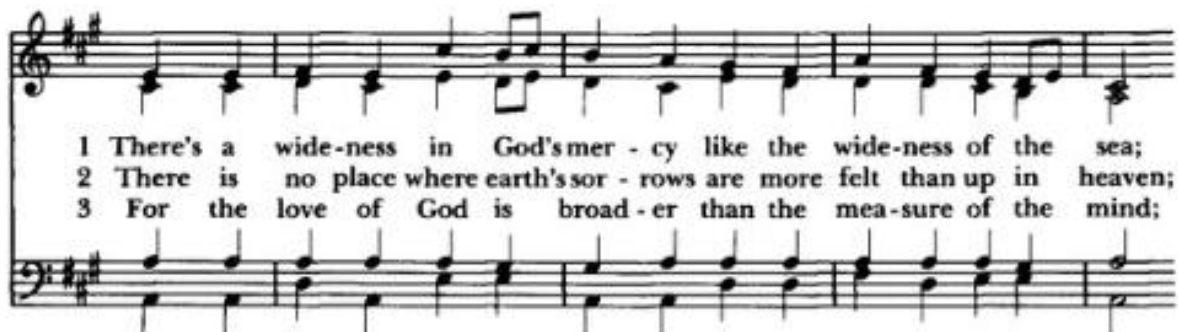
And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

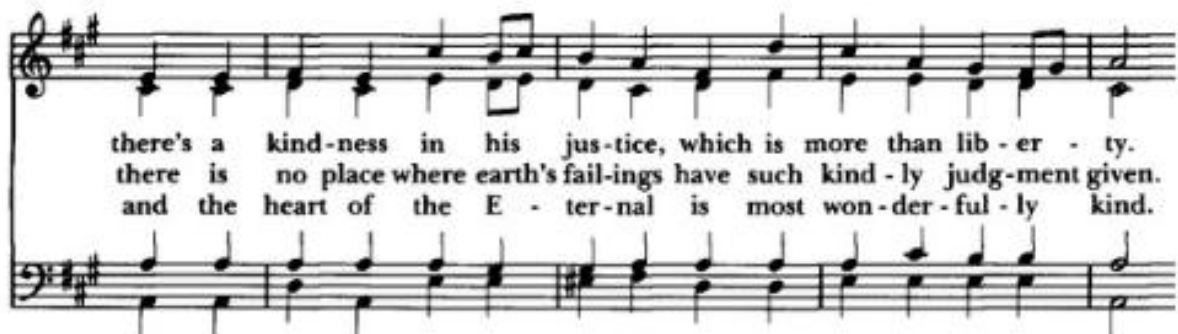
The Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

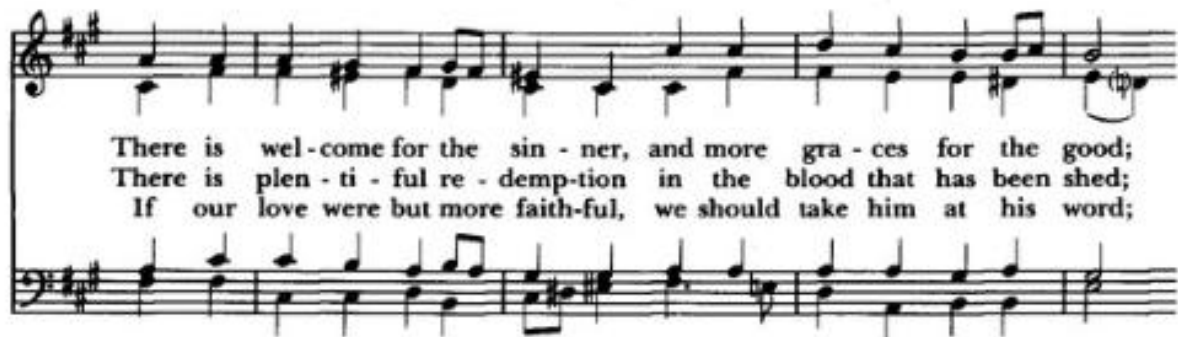
Hymn 470: There's A Wideness.....Beecher



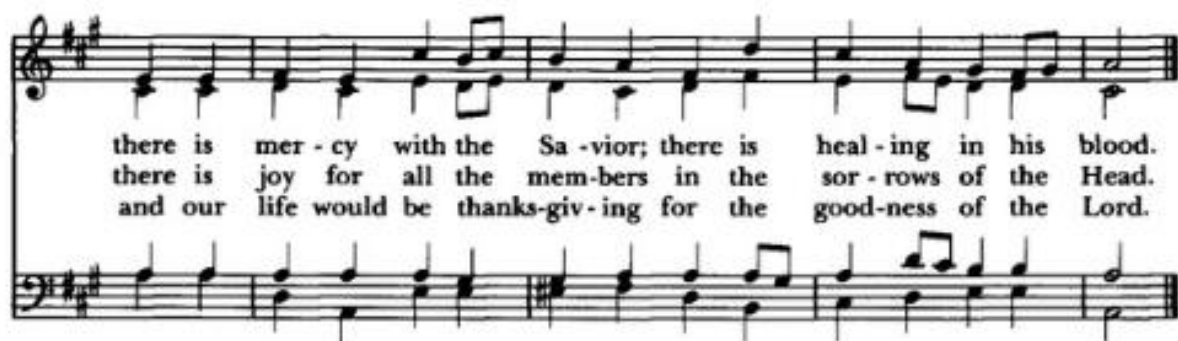
1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;



there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
there is no place where earth's fail-ings have such kind - ly judg-ment given.
and the heart of the E - ter-nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.



There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
There is plen - ti - ful re - demp-tion in the blood that has been shed;
If our love were but more faith-ful, we should take him at his word;



there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
there is joy for all the mem-bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
and our life would be thanks-giv - ing for the good-ness of the Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt.
Music: Beecher, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

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HOMILY Fr. RJ

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

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, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Suffrages

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.**
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.**
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.**
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.**
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect for the Day:

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For Peace Among the Nations

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For the Right Use of God's Gifts

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honor you with our substance, and, remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Joy in God's Creation

O heavenly Father, who has filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Departed

Remembering Shelley Burns, let us pray in silence for all those we love but see no longer.

Silence.

Heavenly Father, grant us grace to entrust them to your never-failing love; receive them into the arms of your mercy, and remember them according to the favor which you bear unto your people. *Amen.*

PARISH NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS BCP, p. 830

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIESBCP, p. 830

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, we thank you for those among us whose lives together are a sign of Christ's love to the world, and we thank you especially this day for those who are celebrating their anniversaries. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives. In Christ's name we pray. *Amen.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Keyboard Offertory: Hymn Medley

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING: The Doxology

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our

lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSTOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Closing Hymn 615: Thy Kingdom Come.....St. Flavian

1 "Thy king - dom come!" on bend - ed knee the
 2 But the slow watch - es of the night not
 3 And lo, al - read - y on the hills the
 4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all
 5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall

3
 pass - ing a - ges pray; and faith - ful souls have
 less to God be - long; and for the ev - er -
 flags of dawn ap - pear; gird up your loins, ye
 wrong shall stand re - vealed, when jus - tice shall be
 walk the earth a - broad; the day of per - fect

6
 yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.
 last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
 proph - et souls, pro - claim the day is near:
 throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;
 right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

Hymnal 1982 615

Words: Frederick Lucian Hamer (1840-1929)

MUSIC BY: ROBERT SCHUMANN (1810-1856) (1810-1856) (1810-1856) (1810-1856) (1810-1856)

Dismissal

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



Altar Flowers Today

*In Celebration of our 43rd Anniversary - John & Kathy Wise
In Celebration of Ben Boyd's Birthday*



BOB'S MUSIC NOTES

"Praise to the living God" was the work of German Rabbi Landsberg and Unitarian pastor Mann and Daniel ben Judah, Italian Jewish poet based on Hebrew liturgy. This hymn closely resembles last week's "The God of Abraham Praise" sharing the same tune.

"There's a Wideness" is another gem from the pen of Father Faber ("Faith of our Fathers") here paired with a tune by John Zundel, organist of Henry Ward Beecher's church (brother of the authoress of "Uncle Tom's Cabin").

"Thy Kingdom Come" is the Lord's Prayer in poetry by Unitarian Hosmer who held pastorates in Cleveland, New England, and California. He wrote this hymn for Meadville Theological Seminary.



*Please join us at the Pavilion for a picnic after
the service.*

UPCOMING EVENTS



Monday, July 28

1 pm- Knitting, Family Room

Tuesday, July 29

7 pm- Yoga with Beth

Wednesday, July 30

4 pm- Evening Prayer, Zoom

Thursday, July 31

1 pm – Prayer Book Study

Servers this Sunday, July 27

Lector:

10 am: Kent Clark

Eucharistic Ministers

8 am: Paul Sack

10 am: Anne Coen, Carol Hayn

Acolytes: Joe Hoot, Pat Wilson

Ushers: Richard Crawl, Wayne Paradis

Altar Guild: Pat Silagy-Wesson, Sara Strattan

JULY BIRTHDAYS



- 9 Jane Schutrum
- 12 Vonda Temelkoff
- 13 Eloise Hochwalt
- 17 Scott Shellhammer
- 27 Brynn Pelger
Rachel Crowl

JULY ANNIVERSARIES



- 13 Beth and Rick Crowl
- 24 Bruce and Judy Hixon
- 29 Katie Cerrone-Arnold and Chris Arnold
- 30 Kent and Pamela Clark
- 31 John and Kathy Wise

Servers next Sunday, August 3

Eucharistic Ministers

8 am: Sara Strattan

10 am: Bruce Hixon, Judy Hixon

Acolytes: Joe Hoot

Ushers: Dave Thorley, Geoff Gordon

Altar Guild: Paulette Frech, Beth Crowl



PRAYER CONCERNS

Have compassion on: Carol Popovich, Vonda Temelkoff, Jim Weaver, Jane Schutrum, Ron Brooks, and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

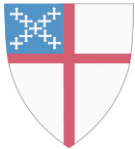
For those who have died: **Shelley Burns** (Tom Burns' cousin's wife)

Family & Friends: **Hannah Smith** (friend of Brynn Pelger) + **Mary Ann Legrom, Lee, & Chuck Boone** (friends & cousin of the Hixons) + **Jill Black** (friend of Leslie Redmond) +

Karen McVehil (acquaintance of Gary Mull) + **Schultz family** (acquaintances of Katie Cerrone) + **Joann Smith family** (friends of Ken Jaeb) + **Jean & David Fell** (Father RJ's acquaintance) + **Kathleen** (acquaintance of Sara Strattan) + **Allison** (cousin of Sandi Kaustinen) + **Debbie, Jared, & Clarice Lough** (niece & friends of the Watters) + **Katheleen Philippsborn** (sister of Tom Turner) + **Robert Dink" Heinzman & Machelles Wells** (Todd's dad & friend of the Heinzmans) + **Father Jon Conventry** (Trinity Episcopal Church - Alliance) + **Jimmy Little** (son of Sue Little) + **Tom** (brother-in-law of AnJane McConville) + **Gail and Judy Shumway** (sister-in-law & co-worker friend of the Rand's daughter) + **Pam Lagodich** (friends of the Mulls) + **George Finley family, Scott Jones, Val Hiner-Donlon, & Rick Ciminelli** (cousins & friends of the Gordons) + **Terry Adaska** (acquaintance of Bert Heisser) + **Trish** (friend of Paulette Frech) + **Don Siegfried & Janet Sheatzley-Morgan** (husband and sister of Barb Siegfried) + **Allison Cornell-Hood & Anne Higgins** (daughter & friend of Diane Cornell) + **Finnigan Savage** (friend of Pam McCarthy) + **David** (acquaintance of the Nadels) + **Paul** (friend of the Browns) + **Those in the Armed Forces.**

Prayer Chain

St. Mark's has a group of prayer warriors who pray for specific needs of those on the prayer chain. If you would like to place yourself or a loved one on the prayer chain, please contact Bobbi Gordon at ggordon24@sbcglobal.net Please note, prayer requests may be placed on the Prayer Chain, in the Prayer Concerns list appearing here and in the Sunday bulletin, or in both places. Please let Bobbi know your preference. Please update Bobbi on the status of your friends or family members as to when they may be removed from the prayer lists.



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