



Summer Worship Service The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 5, 2026

The Service for the Lord's Day

WE GATHER

PRELUDE 10,000 Reasons

Matt Redman

Contemporary Ensemble

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY LIFE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing praises to our Lord:

who heals us and makes us whole.

Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God:

whose joy rises in our lives each and every day.

Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God;

give thanks to God's holy name:

God's Kingdom is near to us; God's peace resides in our hearts.

From Thom Shuman, <https://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/2025/06/>

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*GATHERING HYMN

#421

The Church of Christ in Every Age

WAREHAM

WE CONFESS

*EMBODIED CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (from *Glory to God* – see addendum)

Let Us Build a House – Verse 3 only

TWO OAKS

WE LISTEN

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Cynthia Simmons

*Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Janet Stahl

Epistle: Galatians 6:6-10

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 16-20

Leader: The word of the Lord;

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Karen Kinney

"Our Joy, Our Anchor: Trusting God in the Mission"

WE RESPOND

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

When a town rejected the disciples, Jesus instructed them to still proclaim, "the Kingdom of God has come near" (Luke 10:11). In the face of personal or societal hostility, how can you remain focused on God's active presence rather than the negative reception of your message? Galatians 6:9 warns us not to "grow weary in doing good." What are the specific circumstances, relationships, or cultural pressures in your life that most often cause you to feel exhausted or discouraged in living out your faith?

*SERMON HYMN

Make me a Channel of Your Peace (from *Glory to God* – see addendum) PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Adapted from the *Confession of 1967*. 9.26)

New life in Christ takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

MINUTE FOR MISSION AND OFFERING

Call to Give

Offertory Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

Joe Houston

Contemporary Ensemble

*DOXOLOGY

#592

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion

Music during Communion: "Berceuse" from *24 Pices en style libre* Louis Vierne

Prayer after Communion (unison): **We thank you, O God, that through your Holy Spirit you have gathered us together and fed us with Jesus Christ. Send us now into the world in peace and loving service, bearing Christ's love in ministry through our words and actions, knowing that there is nothing in heaven or earth that can separate us from your love in Jesus Christ. Even so, Lord Jesus, quickly come. Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN

Go to the World! (from *Glory to God* - see addendum) SINE NOMINE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Postlude March in C Alexander Guilmant

*You're welcome to stay and enjoy the Postlude or to depart while the music is played.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!*

Let Us Build a House

VERSE 3 ONLY

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
C7 F C F B^b C Dm



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
F C F Dm7 Gm C



safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
vi - sions heard and loved and trea-sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
Gm C F B^b



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Refrain

(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)
F B^b A7 Dm Gm Dm



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D) (A7)
Am Gm F Gm C7 F B^b F C7



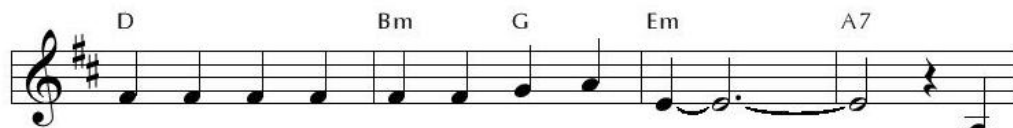
all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

753 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis



1 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
2 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
4 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It



there is ha-tred, let me bring your love. Where
there's de-spair in life, let me bring hope. Where
is in par-don-ing that we are par-doned, in



there is in-ju-ry, your par-don, Lord, and
there is dark-ness, on-ly light, and
giv-ing of our-selves that we re-ceive, and in



where there's doubt, true faith in you.
where there's sad-ness, ev-er joy.
dy-ing that we're born to e-ter-nal life.



3 O, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek so



much to be con-soled as to con-sole, to be



un-der-stood as to un-der-stand, to be



loved as to love with all my soul.

to Stanza 4

Go to the World!

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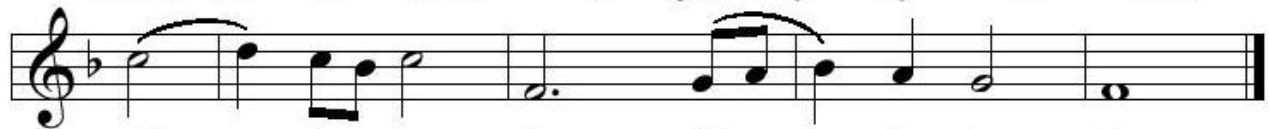
1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
 for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

COMMUNITY LIFE – ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JULY 5, 2026

If you are new to our church, welcome! Please complete a **“Connect Card,”** available in the Narthex.

For today: After our worship service, you have two opportunities to connect. We have tables set up in the Narthex for anyone who would like to **discuss the morning’s sermon** and service. You’re also invited to our **Lemonade on the Lawn** social time: we’ll meet on the West Lawn (otherwise in the North Link). Thank you to the “Nameless K Group of 12” for hosting. If you’d like to host, you can sign up online (bit.ly/42TDejr) or on the paper form at the Narthex info table.

Here are your opportunities to participate in worship: you can **lead our children's sermons**, or serve as **lector** to share the scripture readings. The children’s sermon sign up is at volunteersignup.org/hj4yy and the lector sign up is at bit.ly/3PQRB1q. There are also paper sign-ups for each in the Narthex.

New! **“Sharing our Bounty”** – bring your extra harvest to share at a table at Lemonade on the Lawn. Available for others to take, no charge! Anything left over will be donated to New Bethany, along with other produce harvested from the CommUNITY Garden located on our campus.

This month’s food/personal care items collection is for the four-county initiative for the month of July, **Summer Harvest Food Drive**. For more info: summerharvestfooddrive.com.

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Karen Kinney, Transitional Pastor; kkinney@fpc-bethlehem.org

Rev. Lindsey Altvater Clifton, Associate Pastor for Justice and Community Impact; lclifton@fpc-bethlehem.org

David Macbeth, Director of Music Ministries; dmacbeth@fpc-bethlehem.org

CARE CONCERNS

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED: Please tell the hospital our church code is 724. Also, please call the church office at 610-867-5865 to let us know as the hospitals do not always collect this information. After hours, leave a message or call our answering service at 610-778-7003.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Send to prayer@fpc-bethlehem.org or call 610-867-5865 and leave a message.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Regular Church Office hours are Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Urgent pastoral need? Please call our answering service at 610-778-7003.

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – STAY CONNECTED!

We send an email newsletter each Friday morning; it will be emailed to those who request it: contact us at info@fpc-bethlehem.org or 610-867-5865. You can also request a printed copy be mailed to you.

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