

**8th Sunday after Pentecost
Service for the Lord's Day**

July 14, 2024 – 11:00 am

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE

Berceuse - Lullaby

George McKay

PRAYER IN PREPARATION

***Call to Worship**

Come, let us worship God with the passion and joy of King David and all the people who sang and danced before the ark of the covenant.

Let us worship our Savior with the songs of praise and thanksgiving of the apostle Paul and all who are blessed with every spiritual blessing.

God has blessed us in our Lord Jesus Christ, destined us to be children of God, and sealed us in the Holy Spirit.

Let us worship God.

***HYMN 649**

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

#1 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

#2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

#3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come, 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

#4 The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures. His will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

#5 When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praises than when we'd first begun.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Prayer of Confession

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
you are the God of glory.**

**We confess that we often forget
that your holiness is dangerous.**

**We take our impurities for granted,
make excuses for the sins we commit,
and expect you to overlook the harm we cause
while still demanding justice from others.**

We do not deserve your mercy.

**Forgive us,
and return us to a right relationship with you
for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ.
You made us for the purpose of praising you;
enliven us with the Holy Spirit
so that we can fulfill our calling
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

***Act of Praise – Gloria Patri** p. 581

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

Blest Be the Tie that Binds

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

2 Samuel 6:1–5, 12b–19
pp. 267-268 in pew Bibles

PSALM READING

Psalm 24
p. 475 in pew Bibles

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 6:14–29
p. 38 in pew Bibles

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Ephesians 1:3–14
pp. 180-181 in pew Bibles

“A Destiny of Unity”

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***HYMN 792**

There is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

Refrain: There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

#1 Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain, but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. Refrain

#2 Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend, and if you lack for knowledge, he'll not refuse to lend. Refrain

#3 If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." Refrain

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OFFERING

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Variation on tune – St. Hilda

David Paxton

***Doxology**

p. 606

***Prayer of Dedication**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

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.**

***HYMN 711**

Lord of All Good

TOULON

#1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you; use them your holy purpose to fulfill, tokens of love and pledges brought anew, that our whole life is offered to your will.

#2 We give our minds to understand your ways; hands, eyes, and voice to serve your great design; heart with the flame of your own love ablaze, till for your glory all our powers combine.

#3 Father, whose bounty all creation shows; Christ, by whole willing sacrifice we live; Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows; to you with grateful hearts ourselves we give.

PROCESSION

"This movement symbolizes taking the Light of Christ out into the world"

***BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

Variation on Toulon

From Genevon Psalter

The Liturgist today is Leslie Hicks

Prayers & Announcements

- Flowers in the sanctuary are in honor of Verna Carlisle and Bob Baker's mother
- On July 21 there will be a Joint Session & Deacons Meeting after worship service
- Joe Taylor is back in the hospital
- For Freya, the newborn daughter of Taylor & Ben Fendig, had first heart surgery, still needing a transplant.
- We are asking for donations for the exterior painting of the original wood siding of the sanctuary. Please identify your donation as "church painting;" also, for the snack pack ministry as well
- The Doke Family
- Agnes Jenkins
- Sherry Arledge
- The people of the Middle East
- The people of Ukraine

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, July 14

10:15 AM Sunday School – 2 Sam. 6:1–5, 12b–19; Eph. 1:3–14; Ps. 24; Mark 6:14–29

11:00 AM Worship in-person or Facebook Live

Sunday, July 21

10:15 AM Sunday School – 2 Sam. 7:1–14a; Eph. 2:11–22; Ps. 89:20–37; Mark 6:30–34,
53–56

11:00 AM Worship in-person or Facebook Live

After worship service is Joint Session & Deacons Meeting