

- CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE -

July 19, 2026 • 11:11am

8th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING SONGS

Open The Eyes of My Heart

Bring The Rain

CALL TO WORSHIP FOR PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: We are the people of God, united in one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one church.

Congregation: We rejoice to be together

P: We are the people of God, gathered to experience the presence of one another and the uniting power of God's Love.

C: Look around! See the beauty of this day, of the earth, of the creative wonder of Christ within us and among us.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: God of all creation,

C: We confess that we live in a world of shattered dreams and broken promises. God of good soil, clean water and fresh air, forgive our sinful natures and make us new creations fashioned in your image.

(silence for reflection / confession)

GOOD NEWS PROCLAIMED

P: People of God, God is alive and at work in this world and the next. God's creative power continues to bring love where there is hatred and healing where there is hurt. Through Jesus, all creation is sustained. Through Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are free to live as the people of God. †

C: Amen and alleluia!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PARISH NEWS

FIRST READING: Romans 8:12-25 *pew Bible, page 1,032*

For Paul, true spirituality means that we experience the reality of the Spirit, which enables us to pray as God's children, keeps us in solidarity with creation, and gives us unseen hope that God will liberate us and creation from bondage to death and decay.

¹² So then, brothers and sisters, we are obligated, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. ¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God, ²⁰ for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor, ²³ and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

GOSPEL: John 13:1-9 *pew Bible, page 983*

The washing of feet was offered by the host of a gathering, but it was always performed by a servant. What can it mean that Jesus is the one doing the washing? Will you let Him wash your feet? What are the implications if you can be that intimate with Him?

¹ Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ² The devil had already decided that Judas son of Simon Iscariot would betray Jesus. And during supper ³ Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands and that he had come from God and was going to God, ⁴ got up from supper, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. ⁵ Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷ Jesus answered, "You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand." ⁸ Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no share with me." ⁹ Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!"

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Intimacy

Pastor Bob Stelter

Sermon manuscript is available on our website: www.faithloves.org/media

SERMON SONG *Just a Closer Walk With Thee*

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

OFFERING SONG

OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor: Merciful God,

Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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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 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, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Congregation: Amen.

BENEDICTION FOR PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: Celebrate forgiveness in every tomorrow. And celebrate forgiveness in this week ahead through acts of kindness, times of listening and deeds of generosity.
For our life together in this time and place, we celebrate God's love in all we do.
God be with you. †

Congregation: Amen.

SENDING SONG *Soul on Fire* (Children are invited to the altar)

DISMISSAL

Praise Band: Go in peace!

Congregation: We have heard the Good News, we will share the Good News.

Praise Band: Serve the Lord!

Congregation: We will love God, love others, serve.

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

ALTAR GUILD The Berry Family

GREETER Deanne Benorden

USHERS Melissa Horning, Earl Kripas.

COMMUNION MINISTERS Teensy & Frank Weldon,
Vicki Adams, Lisa Stelter, Debbie Pinchok

TECH BOOTH Dan Primka, Tim Stone, Tara Taylor

*The arrangements on the altar are given by **Larry Koran**
in memory of his mother **Karen's birthday.***

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PRAYERS

(Prayers are refreshed at the beginning of each month)

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Joy at the birth of: Leo Nolan Rountree to Brittany Moore & Douglas Rountree; grandson of Bob Moore.

Gratitude & Blessings: Sophie Barker.

Comfort in the midst of death for the families and friends of: Ashley Jones, Wally, Mike Mack, Renate Kuehn, Barb Humphrey.

Hope and recovery for all the victims of the earthquakes in Venezuela and the typhoon in China and Taiwan.

Shepherd of Hope Pantry Friends: Jose, Octavia, Betty, Joyce, Courtney, Ted & Sandra, Kristi & Trent, Charline, Judy, Sharlene, Judy, Kim, Robbie, Meredith, Cheyanne, Austin, Christie, Nikolai, Cheyanne, Michelle, Austin, Mary Ann, Debbie, Nicolai, Christie, Hayden & Tera, Taylor, Ariana, Conni, Cindy, Brooke, Courtney, Brian, Christina, Elizabeth, Venezuela *and those known to God*.

Salvation Army Vickie, Stephanie, Teresa, Jennifer, Leah, Jennifer, Sandra, Randy, Robert, Alfredo, Stephen, Matthew, Gibby, James, Chris *and those known to God*.

Concern & Assistance: Those dealing with addiction while incarcerated. Mentally & physically challenged. Veterans. First Responders. Refugees and those living in fear of deportation. Persecuted Christians. The people of Nigeria, Iran, Israel, Lebanon, Syria, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia.

Partnerships: Bishop Yehiel Curry & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Kevin Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Seminarian Sam Sosebee; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Via de Cristo Ministry; English Language Learning (ELL) Classes; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Salvation Army Homeless Shelters; Street Hope; Alzheimer's Support Group; Cole Center Parkinson Band and Caregivers; Mercy Ships; Guatemala Lutheran Church & School; AL-ANON; Narcotics Anonymous.

Peace & Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Anthony Hu, HM, Andrew McDonald, Alena Nawlrooki, Alex Primka, Sam Thompson, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount.

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WELCOME

We're glad you're here. Please fill-in a yellow worship card or scan the QR code so we can stay in touch!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Immigration Forum & Light Dinner

- Today, 5 - 7 p.m., we'll explore how our faith traditions inform and encourage us to seek justice.

Rally Day | Pews and Pizza

- August 9 will be a loaded day as it will include Rally Day/Back to Church Sunday, Blessing of the Backpacks, bounce house and games between services, and a whole church effort to clean all the pews after late service. We will be serving pizza and Pastor Bob will providing music.

WAYS TO GIVE



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As followers of Jesus, we rejoice in God's plan for a just, loving and peaceful world. We commit ourselves to making it a reality for all people everywhere. Just as all are welcome at the Lord's table during holy communion, all are welcome to this family of faith. People of all races, ages, social status, sexual orientations and gender identities are united here in our mission to love God, Love Others, Serve.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 19

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 2 p.m. Choir Open House
- 5 p.m. Immigration Forum

Monday, July 20

- 12 p.m. Via de Cristo Reunion
- 3 p.m. Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry
- 6:15 p.m. English Language Class
- 6:30 p.m. Property Team Meeting
- 7 p.m. Quail Forever Group

Tuesday, July 21

- 1:30 p.m. Bible Study Class
- 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Wednesday, July 22

- 4:15 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, July 23

- 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, July 24

- 9:30 a.m. Cole Center Caregivers
- 7 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, July 25

- 11 a.m. Al-Anon
- 12:30 p.m. Alzheimer's Support Group

Sunday, July 26

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship, Adult Sunday School
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 5 p.m. Celtic Worship Service

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LECTIONARY READING

M: Nahum 1:1-13, Revelation 14:12-20, Psalm 75

T: Zephaniah 3:1-13, Galatians 4:21—5:1, Psalm 75

W: Daniel 12:1-13, Matthew 12:15-21, Psalm 75

Th: 1 Kings 1:28-37, 1 Corinthians 4:14-20,
Psalm 119:129-136

F: 1 Kings 1:38-48, Acts 7:44-53, Psalm 119:129-136

S: 1 Kings 2:1-4, Matthew 12:38-42,
Psalm 119:129-136

S: 1 Kings 19:9-18, Psalm 7:1-10, Acts 11:27—12:3a,
Mark 10:35-45

FAITHFUL RESPONSE

Offerings last week: \$13,061

Offerings year to date: \$534,995

SERMON NOTES

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