

# TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

August 30, 2026 • 9am

## SUMMERSING

14th Sunday after Pentecost • Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 10

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*In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.*

**PRELUDE** *Be Thou My Vision* Zach Unke

## SUMMERSING HYMN REQUESTS

### GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Congregation:** And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

**Congregation:** O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

## PARISH NEWS

## BRIDGE REFUGEE SERVICES PRESENTATION

Peter Green  
Co-Sponsorship Manager

### THE FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 15:15-21 *pew Bible page 704*

Will Dickinson, Lector

*Jeremiah's delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, "I am with you."*

<sup>15</sup> O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. <sup>16</sup> Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. <sup>17</sup> I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. <sup>8</sup> Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

<sup>19</sup> Therefore thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. <sup>20</sup> And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. <sup>21</sup> I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

**PSALM 26:1-8** *pew Bible page 492*

Lector: Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

**Congregation: Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.**

L: For your steadfast love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.

**C: I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.**

L: I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down <sup>1</sup> with the wicked.

**C: I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar,**

L: singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

**C: Lord, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.**

**THE SECOND READING: ROMANS 12:9-21** *pew Bible, page 1,036*

*Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.*

<sup>9</sup> Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup> love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup> Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer.

<sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup> Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup> Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." <sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *hymnal 172* Halle, Halle, Hallelujah



**THE GOSPEL LESSON: MARK 12:41-44** *pew Bible, page 926*

*Jesus points out that this poor widow gave everything she had. Centuries later we are still telling her story. She is our mentor of faithful generosity!*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 12th chapter.

**Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord!**

<sup>41</sup> Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. <sup>42</sup> A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. <sup>43</sup> Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. <sup>44</sup> For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

***Coins and Candy***

Pastor Bob Stelter

*Sermon manuscript is available on our website: [www.faithloves.org/media](http://www.faithloves.org/media)*

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *hymnal 733 (stand)*

***Great Is Thy Faithfulness***



1 Great is thy faith - ful-ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
2 Sum-mer and win - ter and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -  
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in  
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy, and love.  
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



*Refrain*  
Great is thy faith - ful-ness! Great is thy faith - ful-ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me.

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us proclaim our faith.

**All: 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 into hell. 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** *stand or kneel*

Marti Poole, Assisting Minister

Assistant: With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

Assistant: For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. Merciful God,

**Congregation: receive our prayer.**

A: For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A: For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope in your promises in this life and the life to come. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

*Individual prayer petitions are invited.*

Pastor: Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## **CHILDRENS TALK**

## THE PEACE

Children: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

## OFFERING FOR MISSION AND MINISTRIES

**OFFERING ANTHEM** *Just As I Am Lord* Nancy Price and Don Besig

**OFFERTORY** *Lord Let My Heart Be Good Soil* hymnal 512

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o - pen to the seed of your  
word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where  
love can grow and peace is un - der - stood. When my heart is hard,  
break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.  
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart,  
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Marti Poole, Assisting Minister

Assistant: 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.

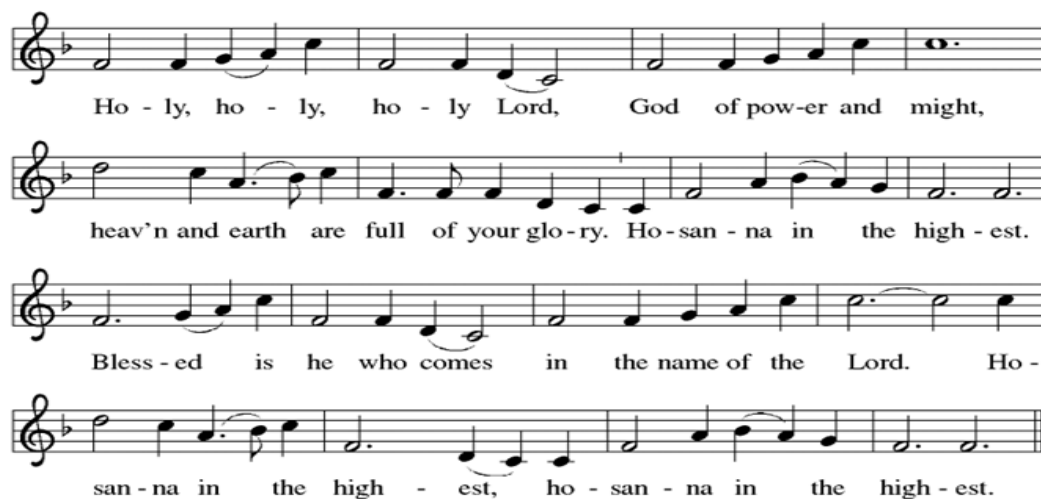
## GREAT THANKSGIVING *Now the Feast & Celebration*

*Pastor:* The — Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And — al - so with  
*Pastor:* you. Lift up your hearts. We  
*Pastor:* lift them to the Lord. Let us give  
*Congregation:* thanks to the Lord our God. It is  
right to give God thanks and praise.

## PREFACE FOR THE PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR THE PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus took bread,  
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it  
for all to drink, saying:

*This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.*

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Congregation: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: Come to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body  
of Christ for the world. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

**C: Come, Holy Spirit.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: With one will and one voice, we pray:

**All: 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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION FROM PASTOR STELTER

### HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*All people are welcome at The Lord's Table! You will receive a communion wafer and then, dip the wafer into either the wine (chalice) or grape juice (clear glass). Gluten-free wafers are available from the servers, just ask. All ages are invited to commune. If you do not wish to commune, you are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. We believe communion is a way to experience the presence of Jesus.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:  
"The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you."  
and each person may respond: **Amen.***

### LAMB OF GOD *hymnal, page 208 (seated)*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

# *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*

1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious  
 bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me with your  
 wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my  
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on  
 pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
 jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,  
 Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es,  
 feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.  
 shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.  
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

## **COMMUNION BLESSING** *stand*

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His Grace.

**Congregation: Amen.**

## **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev - 'ry - one what he has done.  
 Let ev - 'ry - one who seeks the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.  
 He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy  
 with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Marti Poole, Assisting Minister

Assistant: Let us pray. Gracious God,

**Congregation:** We have heard your word, we have received your sacrament, we have worshiped you. Send us from here with open hearts, open minds and open arms. Strengthen us to love God, love others, serve. Amen**BENEDICTION:**

Pastor: Now may God, who gives seed to the sower and grain to the reaper, provide all that we need so that we may produce a rich harvest of faith, love, justice and joy for the good of the earth and its people, all to the glory of God. Blessings. †

**Congregation:** Amen.**SENDING HYMN** *hymnal 545****Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing***

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing, fill our hearts with  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's  
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling

joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,  
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of your sal - va - tion  
pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. Oh, re - fresh us;  
in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.  
may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

**DISMISSAL**

Assistant: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

Marti Poole, Assisting Minister

**POSTLUDE**    *My Shepherd, Lord*    Randall DeBruyn

**WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

|                            |                                                         |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>ALTAR GUILD</b>         | Doug Bales                                              |
| <b>GREETER</b>             | Debbie & Anthony Ragucci                                |
| <b>USHERS</b>              | Stephen Dean, Gary Mount                                |
| <b>ASSISTING MINISTER</b>  | Marti Poole                                             |
| <b>LECTOR</b>              | Will Dickinson                                          |
| <b>COMMUNION MINISTERS</b> | Lisa Stelter, David Mabry,<br>Marj West, :Linda Montjoy |
| <b>TECH BOOTH</b>          | Dan Primka, Ian Britton, Ritchie Case                   |

*The arrangements on the altar are given by **Jen & Brad Berry**  
in recognition of their 16<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.*

**CHURCH COUNCIL LEADERSHIP TEAM**

David Mabry, President • Stephen Dean, Vice President • Mary Bales, Secretary  
Carrie Parrott, Treasurer • Pastor Bob Stelter • Ritchie Case  
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## PRAYERS

*(Prayers are refreshed at the beginning of each month)*

**Members** Mary Bales, Aaron Benorden, Terry Biesboer, Gene Bird, Dave Birkholz, Jan Bishop, Roger Brown, Kathryn Butcher-Kripas, Jaigne Christman, Nancy & Leon Cole, Katie Condon, Michael Condon, Nancy Crain, Mac Curtis, Nancy Dean, Nancy Dickinson, Michelle Dionne-Kadowaki & family, Irene Dorfinger, Dawn Ellis, Patsy Elmore, John Elmore, Karoline Frasch, Pat Gary, Calvin Giles, Doug Goins, Mary Beth & Alex Green, Jonas Greenman, Anya Holbert, Deb & Doug Houck, Eric Johnson, Peggy Jurkoic, Peggy Lanning, Lin & Mike McKinley, Carol Nanney, Jen Page, Harold Peters, Joe Pigott, Linda Pigott, Joe Poole, Dr. Ted Primka, Roberts family, Tricia Saylor & family, Pamela Spaar, Bill Steele, Ann Stewart, Pat Weaver, John Woods, Matt Wright.

**Friends & Families:** Alderson family, Brittany Apking & Baby Bea, App family, Ben Barton, Dave Berry, Bill Birkholz, Jim Birkholz, Sheila Birkholz, Barbara Brown, Hatie & Cora Carr, Noble Carper, Nancy Crain, Michael Damico, Dennis family, Brandy & Brian Duke, Richard Eller, Becky Ellison, Favre family, Alanna & Arnie Fenske, Kathi Fenske-Hong, Cindy Gioe, Angel Gobel, Lindsey Graves, Kathie & Matt Green, Gutelius family, Hall family, Leanne Hedges, Jeff Herbold, George Hommel, Joy Hymer, Sarah Jurkoic & Vivek Chavila, Rhonda Kaiser, Barb Korsmo, Karen Lambertson Priest, Darrin Lee, Bea Little, Loyacano family, Whit Mahan, Edna Moyes, Bob Mulligan, Scott Nelson, Josh Nichols, Donn Olson, Steve Parker, Chris Patrick, Rose & Steve Penney, Heather & V.J. Petry, Bill Porter, Shannon Remington, Mark Rogus, Sarah Ryg, Lainey Salles family, Savilisky, Marilyn Savilisky, Scaglione family, Jim Scheivert family, Richard Sena, Jim Shea, Nicole & Lucas Shephard, Debbie Shinholt, Lynn Siegfried & family, Augustina Solace, Sherry Solfe, Bob Stafford, Garrison Stephens, Leora Stewart, Michael Stewart, Janine & Tommy Swenson, Audra Tyler, Moore, Frank Tyler, Beverly Vasalar, Janet Wengert, Mya, Ro & Haven Wolfe, Renée Zalesky, Zenher family, Adam, Hadley & Houston, Adelaide, Barb, Brianna, Carrie, Chris, Danielle & family, Dan, Darcy, David D., David F., Dianne, Don, Dorothy, Dottie S., Duskin, Felix, Giovanni, Jan & Frank, Janie, Jeremiah, Jodi, Kayla, Kevin, Lisa M., Merryann, Matty, Rachael & Curtis, Ray, RMG, Robert, Sally W., Samara, Sarah, Shelly W., Will, Yong & family *and those we name to You.*

**Joy at the birth of:** Konan Leo Greenwald, great nephew of Debbie & Anthony Ragucci.

**Comfort in the midst of death for the families and friends of:** Mary Blackburn, Dolly Parton, Travis Shephard, David Nelson, George Hommel, Brandy & Jeremy Jenkins, Bob Staltard, Richard Christman, Bob Carr, Carter, Bobby Heck, Teresa Black.

**Hope and recovery** for the victims of the earthquakes in Columbia and the floods in Nepal and Tibet.

**Shepherd of Hope Pantry Friends:** Austin, Cheyanne, Angel, Janie, Rachel, Hayden, Terah, Shirley, Sonya, Siler, Emma, Hestor, Kevin, Laura, Ted & Sandra, Kristi & Trent, Carolyn, Tommy, Charlene, Charlie, Bill, Jan, Roddy & family, Floyd, Gerald, MJ, Tony, Anna, Lyllianne, Tamilia, Joseph, Captain Chance, Paul & Teresa, Hardy, Jackie, Christie, Westen, Charlie, Lynn, Tonya, Rin, Shelley, Willie, James, Mary, Judy & family, Courtney, Betty, Joyce, Joshua, Veloz, Jose, Judy or Angel & her unborn baby, Linda, Betty, Amber, Sgt. Weitzel, Kat, Autumn, Jayden, Zach, Kyle, Susan & family *and those known to God.*

**Salvation Army Residents:** Vickie, Stephanie, Laura, Sue, Kanata, Carissa, Destiny, Amanda, Alfredo, Jimmy & Kelli, Chris, James, Cole, Matt *and those known to God.*

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

**Partnerships:** Bishop Yehiel Curry & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Kevin Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Seminarian Sam Sosebee; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; 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, Chris Yonke, Mitchell Yount.

## 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

### KID COAT DRIVE

- We are collecting new and clean, gently used children's coats to donate. A thick, warm coat can make a world of difference when they wait outside for the school bus on a cold winter morning. The collection tub is located in the Narthex hallway.

### KARM Visit

- We're looking for volunteers to help with our KARM lunch on Saturday, September 12 at 10:30 a.m. Here's how you can help:
  - Join us at KARM to serve lunch
  - Make a casserole or bake brownies ahead of time and drop them off before that day.

## WAYS TO GIVE

 Give with cash or check in the offering plate during service.

 Give online using the QR code or visit [faithloves.org](https://faithloves.org) and select "Donate Now".



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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, August 30

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 10 a.m. English Language Class (ELL)
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship, Sunday School
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 5 p.m. Celtic Worship

## Monday, August 31

- 12 p.m. Via de Cristo Reunion
- 3 p.m. Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry
- 3 p.m. Generosity Team
- 6:15 English Language Class

## Tuesday, September 1

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

## Wednesday, September 2

- 5:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, September 3

- 10:30 a.m. Author's Guild of Tennessee
- 7:30 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

## Friday, September 4

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

## Saturday, September 5

- 11 a.m. Al-Anon

## Sunday, September 6

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship
- 10 a.m. English Language Class (ELL)
- 10:15 a.m. Fellowship, Sunday School
- 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 12:15 p.m. Deacon Meeting

# STAY CONNECTED



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 Faith Guest wi-fi password: *beblessed*

## LECTIONARY READINGS

*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

M: 2 Samuel 11:2-26, Revelation 3:1-6, Psalm 17

T: 2 Samuel 11:27b— 12:15, Revelation 3:7-13, Psalm 17

W: Jeremiah 17:5-18, Matthew 12:22-32, Psalm 17

Th: Ezekiel 24:1-14, 2 Corinthians 12:11-21, Psalm 119:33-40

F: Ezekiel 24:15-27, Romans 10:15b-21, Psalm 119:33-40

S: Ezekiel 33:1-6, Matthew 23:29-36, Psalm 119:33-40

S: Ezekiel 33:7-11, Psalm 119:33-40, Romans 13:8-14, Matthew 18:15-20

## FAITHFUL RESPONSE

*Offerings last week:* \$14,246

*Offerings year to date:* \$614,137

## SERMON NOTES

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