

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

AUGUST 27, 2023 • 9AM

13th Sunday of Pentecost • Bread of Life Liturgy
Ministry Partner Sunday: Tyson House

INTRODUCTION

In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. 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

Talk About a Child Arr. Calvin Taylor

CONFESSION AT THE FONT FOR THE PENTECOST SEASON

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

silence for confession

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

OUR VISION

To be an inspired body of Christ.



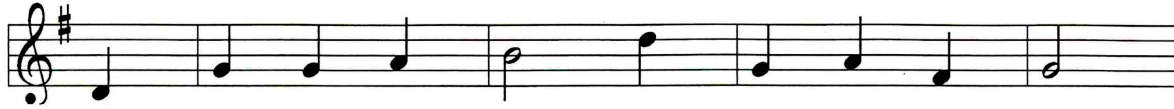
OUR MISSION

Love God. Love Others. Serve.

GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN hymnal, #843, stand

Oh, Worship the King



1 Oh, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
2 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
3 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?



Oh, grate - ful - ly sing his pow'r and his love;
Al - might - y, your pow'r has found - ed of old;
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,



our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,



pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

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.



▣ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ▣ Lord, have mer - cy.



▣ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: ▣ Christ, have mer - cy.



▣ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ▣ Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on



earth, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Let us pray,

All: O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PARISH NEWS

WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

John Woods, Lector

FIRST READING: Isaiah 51:1-6 *Pew Bible pg. #667*

Just as God had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now God offers comfort to Zion. God's deliverance will come soon and will never end.

¹Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 138 *Pew Bible pg. #565*

Lector: ¹I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;

**Congregation: ²I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks
to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,
for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.**

L: ³On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

**C: ⁴All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.**

L: ⁵They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

C: ⁶**For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he perceives from far away.**

L: ⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath
of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

C: ⁸**The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord,
endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

SECOND READING: : Romans 12:1-8 Pew Bible pg. #1035

In response to God's merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by the time in which we live but are transformed by the Spirit's renewing work. God's grace empowers different forms of service among Christians, but all forms of ministry function to build up the body of Christ.

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION hymnal pg. 216, *stand*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al - le -
lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20 *Pew Bible pg. #895*

At a climactic point in Jesus' ministry, God reveals to Peter that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and Jesus responds with the promise of a church that will overcome the very gates of Hades.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 16th chapter.

Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON

"But Who Do You Say that I Am?"

Fr. R.J. Powell, Chaplain Tyson House

University of Tennessee
Episcopal-Lutheran Campus Ministry

Fr. RJ Powell serves as the University Chaplain for Tyson House, the Lutheran and Episcopal campus ministry at UT Knoxville. A native of central Virginia, near Richmond, he was raised in the Christian Church/Church of Christ tradition. After completing undergrad at James Madison University, he attended Emmanuel Christian Seminary in Johnson City where he also became involved in the Episcopal Church. While in discernment for the priesthood, he met his now husband, Michaelangelo. Once he finished an Anglican Studies program at Sewanee in 2015, he and Michaelangelo were married and moved to Knoxville where he was ordained and served as the Associate Rector at St. James. During his ministry there, he also helped Pastor John Tirro at Tyson House for a number of years before he stepped down. Fr. RJ was appointed Chaplain by Bishops Cole and Strickland in June of 2022.

HYMN OF THE DAY hymnal, #608

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing,
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised,



call - ing for you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's
plead - ing for you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and
prom - ised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has



wait - ing and watch - ing, watch - ing for you and for me.
heed not his mer - cies, mer - cies for you and for me?
mer - cy and par - don, par - don for you and for me.

Refrain



“Come home, come home! You who are wea - ry, come home.”



Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly, Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, “O sin - ner, come home!”

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assistant: Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Assistant: God of Sarah and Abraham, inspire your church to pursue righteousness in its ministry. Equip us to share your compassion that unites us as one family of faith. Hear us, O God.

Congregation: Your mercy is great.

A: Remind us that from the beginning of creation, you knit together a world meant for harmony. Protect and restore the wasted places to joy and gladness. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Stir the leaders of nations and towns, militaries and courts, to respond to your teachings. Let your call for justice reach all people and bring deliverance where there is oppression. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Show your steadfast love and faithfulness to those in despair. Increase their strength, care for all who feel low, keep safe any in the midst of trouble, and protect vulnerable people from harm. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Encourage those who offer their gifts and talents in service to your church. Energize this congregation's rostered and lay leaders, musicians, teachers, greeters and administrators so they may be transformed in sharing your grace. We especially pray for Tyson House and Reverend Powell today. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: God of all the saints, death is overcome in Christ's resurrection. We rejoice with the faithful departed. Sustain us in hope until we come at last to our heavenly home. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Silence for individual prayer petitions.

Pastor: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Congregation: Amen.

THE PEACE

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

Congregation: And also with you.

The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

MEAL

OFFERINGS FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

OFFERING ANTHEM

Rock of Ages Michael Birkhardt

OFFERTORY *With One Voice, pg. 35, stand*

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray. 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

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS *With One Voice, pg. 36*

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Holy, mighty & merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, 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."

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: With 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 THE MEAL FROM PASTOR BOB STELTER

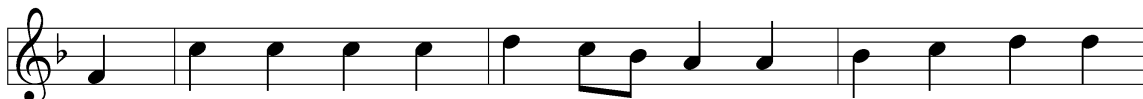
Lamb of God *With One Voice, pg. 439*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION *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.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN hymnal, #604

O Christ, Our Hope



1 O Christ, our hope, our hearts' de - sire, cre - a - tion's might - y
 2 How vast your mer - cy to ac - cept the bur - den of our
 3 But now the bonds of death are burst, the ran - som has been
 4 Oh, let your might - y love pre - vail to purge us of our



Lord, re - deem - er of the fall - en world, by
 sin, and bow your head in cru - el death to
 paid; you now as - cend the Fa - ther's throne in
 pride, that we may stand be - fore your throne by



ho - ly love out - poured, by ho - ly love out - poured:
 make us clean with - in, to make us clean with - in.
 robes of light ar - rayed, in robes of light ar - rayed.
 mer - cy pur - i - fied, by mer - cy pur - i - fied.

5 Christ Jesus, be our present joy,
 our future great reward;
 our only glory, may it be
 to glory in the Lord!

6 All praise to you, ascended Lord;
 all glory ever be
 to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
 through all eternity!

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

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God,
and lead us forth in joy with shouts
of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Assistant: Let us pray,

Congregation: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, Now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR SENDING OF DEACONS

August 27 – September 9, Pam Brown

Deacons come forward to receive communion kits.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Congregation: Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick and homebound. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers, that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Love your neighbor. Love the stranger. Hear the cry of the otherwise unheard. Liberate the poor from their poverty. Care for the dignity of all. Let those who have more than they need share their blessings with those who have less. Feed the hungry, house the homeless and heal the sick in body and mind. Fight injustice, whoever it is done by and whoever it is done against. And do these things because, being human, we are bound by a covenant of human solidarity, whatever our color or culture, class or creed.

These are moral principles, not economic or political ones. They have to do with conscience, not wealth or power. But without them, freedom will not survive.*

Congregation: Let the church speak! Amen.

SENDING HYMN hymnal, #514

O Word of God Incarnate



1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
2 The church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine;
3 Oh, make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of bur-nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
oh, teach your wand-'ring pil - grims by this their path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

SENDING

Assistant: The worship is concluded, now the service begins.

Congregation: We go to love God, love others, serve.

A: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Air G.F. Handel

Flowers on the altar are given by **Vicki Adams** in memory of Lisa.

*Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, from *Morality: Restoring the Common Good in Divided Times* (New York: Basic Books) 2020.

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Traditional Worship, 9am ♦ Contemporary Worship, 11:11am

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WELCOME! *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 identity are united here in our mission to love God, love others and serve. Please sign a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate.*

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Want to know more about Lutheranism and our ministries? For those considering membership & want to know more about Faith Lutheran Church, see Greg Bohlken or contact him at greg@faithloves.org.

Sunday Worship 9 & 11:11am

Live in the sanctuary or online at:

[YouTube.com/@FaithLutheranChurch3329/stream](https://www.youtube.com/@FaithLutheranChurch3329/stream)

NEW DIRECTORY PHOTOS between services.

TEEN SUNDAY SCHOOL, 10:15am 6-12th grades meet in youth room. Donuts, conversation & study Sunday Gospel.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY, 1:30pm led by John Woods.

REHEARSALS

HANDBELLS — Wednesdays, 5:30pm

CHANCEL CHOIR — Wednesdays, 6:30pm

PRAISE TEAM — Thursdays, 6pm & Sundays, 10:15am

RAISE THE ROOF! Help us preserve our church home. Our roof needs to be replaced. To help support this project, please note "Raise the Roof" on your donations.

2023 FLOWER CHART Sign up on the flower chart by the library to honor or commemorate your loved ones with beautiful flowers on our altar. Only a few dates open in 2023!

COLUMBARIUM NICHES are available to our members for \$1,800 and to non-members at \$2,500. Application forms are found in our *Columbarium Booklet* located in the narthex.

NOTICE: Pastor Bob has never and will never ask for support or funds via email, text or Facebook. Please report suspicious items to the office, 865-966-9626.

SHEPHERD OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Open Mondays, September 11, 3-5pm & September 18, 3-6pm

Needed: Squeezable Grape or Strawberry Jelly (plastic) 32oz Vegetable Oil (plastic) • Reusable Grocery Bags

Please consider a donation of \$25 or \$40 to purchase a ham or turkey for our holiday food baskets.

Use Shepherd of Hope donation envelopes, located in the narthex, to support the purchase of gift cards.

GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS

STOCK THE PANTRY DAY Sunday, September 10

Bring 20oz Squeezable Jelly, 24oz Syrup (plastic), 32oz shelf-stable Almond Milk.

Contact: Reneé Stone, 865-599-7424.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

LUTHERANISM 101, 4-PART SERIES Tuesdays, September 5 & 19, October 3 & 17, 7-8:30pm. Register now for this synod produced series—<https://se-reg.brapp.com/Lutheranism101>.

FIRST WEDNESDAYS begin September 6. Monthly dinner, classes & choirs — something for everyone! **RSVP for dinner at <https://signup.com/go/smVktTj>.**

RALLY DAY Sunday, September 10. We'll kick off another great year of Adult & Children's Sunday School and Confirmation. Join us for activities & fun between services.

SPIRITUALITY BOOK GROUP Tuesday, September 12, 6:30pm in the library. Lynda Primka presents **The Curse of Chalion** by Lois McMaster Bujold.

BLUEGRASS SUNDAY September 17, 11:11am. Going country—join us for a different worship experience!

SAVE THE DATE — FALL FESTIVAL Sunday, October 22, 2-5pm. This fun event will benefit our Food Pantry!

FAITH SERVES KARM Saturday, September 23, noon.


UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **YOUTH GROUP September 6 & 17.** Join our active group!
- **YOUTH ROOM REDESIGN** Great plans are in store for our Youth Room. See Greg Bohlken or Carrie Parrott to help.


WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	
9am Traditional	
Altar Guild	Ann Stewart
Assisting Minister	Kathy Thompson
Lector	John Woods
Communion Ministers	Loni Peters, Rob Blackburn, Father RJ Powell, Lisa Stelter
Greeter	Mildred Fenske
Ushers	Randy Stewart, Ritchie Case
Offering Stewards	Gary Dakolios, George Herbold

Giving: 8.20.2023

Offerings last Sunday:	\$ 6,005
Offerings Year to Date	\$ 422,128
Walk by Faith as of July 31	\$ 750,476



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BLESSINGS: The ministry & works of Tyson House and Father R.J. Powell, Chaplain.

LOVE: Upcoming wedding of Ulrika Manthey & Andreas Breunig.

COMFORT IN THE MIDST OF DEATH: Lucas, Jason Peters, Claire Racine, Charles Clevenger, Jeffery Brown, Donald Hinkle, Peggy Beckwith, Debbie Moore.

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PRAYERS, CONCERN & ASSISTANCE: The people of Hawaii, Ukraine, Russia and Sudan; the physically & mentally disabled.

PARTNERSHIPS: Bishop Eaton & the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; Bishop Strickland & the Southeastern Synod; Alicia & David Brondos, Missionaries in Mexico; Shepherd of Hope Food Pantry; Quiet Music Ministry; Tyson House; Deacon Ministry; Knox Area Rescue Ministry; Via de Cristo Ministry; Salvation Army Women's & Men's Homeless Shelters; Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking; Cole Center Caregivers and Parkinson Band, Mercy Ships, Iglesia Luterano Augustana de Guatemala & Milagro Women's Education Center, AL-ANON, Narcotics Anonymous.

STRENGTH & HEALING: veterans & indigenous people.

PEACE: Protection for all armed forces, especially: Jacob Cole, Andrew Chovancek, Nathan Goodall, Tyler Hitter, H.M., Anthony Hu, Julianne LeFevre-Kerr, Chase Linell, Alex Primka, Christine Russ, Alex Serrano, Sam Thompson, Mitchell Yount, Greg Zager.

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WEEK OF AUGUST 27-SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Sunday, August 27 13th Sunday of Pentecost
Tyson House Sunday

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
10:15am Teen Sunday School *Grades 6-12*
Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am Contemporary Worship
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

Tuesday, August 29

1:30pm Bible Study Small Group *The Cup*
6:00pm MOPS *nursery*
AL-ANON meeting *zoom*
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Wednesday, August 30

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Community Room*
4:00pm Staff Meeting
5:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 31

6:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal
7:30pm Narcotics Anonymous *The Cup*

Friday, September 1

9:30am Cole Center Parkinsons Band
7:00pm Narcotics Anonymous Group *The Cup*

Saturday, September 2

11:00am AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*

Sunday, September 3 14th Sunday of Pentecost

9:00am Traditional Worship *Sanctuary*
10:00am Fellowship *The Cup*
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Praise Team Rehearsal
11:11am Contemporary Worship
5:00pm AL-ANON meeting *Zoom*



PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday: Psalm 8; Exodus 1:1-7; Romans 2:1-11. • **Tuesday:** Psalm 8; Exodus 2:11-15a; Romans 11:33-36.

Wednesday: Psalm 8; Exodus 2:15b-22; Matthew 26:6-13. • **Thursday:** Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b; Exodus 2:23-24; Ephesians 5:1-6.

Friday: Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b; Exodus 3:16-22; 2 Thessalonians 2:7-12.

Saturday: Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b; Exodus 4:1-9; Matthew 8:14-17.

14th Sunday of Pentecost: Jeremiah 15:15-21; Psalm 26:1-8; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28.