

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost July 24, 2022 10:30am Service

PRELUDE

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Douglas E. Wagner Linda Vollweiler, organ (The prelude is an opportunity for prayer, meditation, and reflection.)

WELCOME

Greg Allen-Pickett

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Damen Jensen-Heitmann

How can we keep still this day? *There is joy in this place!* God's steadfast love extends to everyone. *God reaches out to us all in forgiveness and compassion.* Thanks be to God for all the wonderful blessings we have received. *Let us celebrate God's joyful love for and with us!*

*HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, how we must try your patience! We often doubt, when we should place our faith in your abiding presence. We think that we have to have all the answers and judge others who fail to live up to our expectations. We think that we are the one thing that matters most in life. So we place ourselves at the center of our own universe. Forgive us when we show how shallow our faith is. Help us to really understand the miraculous ways in which you have already worked in our lives and will continue to work as we journey in faith. May your love flood through our whole beings, that we may be transformed into people of joyful service and faith.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God's love is continually poured out for us. *May we believe in God's love, receive God's love, and share God's love with others.* In Jesus' name, we are forgiven and loved! *Allehuia! Amen!*

"Glory to God"

*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you! *And also with you!* (Greet one another by sharing the Peace of Christ with those around you.)

SHARING THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(Please pass the Friendship Pads and fill in your name so we know you were here.)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Hannah Jensen-Heitmann

(While the children come down, the congregation will sing "This Little Light of Mine.")

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, as we hear your Word read and proclaimed today, may we place our trust in your compassionate love. Help us to listen with open ears and hearts that we may receive your peace, joy, justice, and hope as we reflect on your love for all of your children. Amen.

1ST SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 36:5-10 (NIV)

2ND SCRIPTURE READING – Hosea 11:1-4 (NIV)

3rd SCRIPTURE READING - Isaiah 66:12-13 (NIV)

SERMON **"God's Expansive Love!"** Greg Allen-Pickett Children's Book Sermon Series *Mama, Do You Love Me?* by Barbara M. Joosse

*HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God our creator, who gives us steadfast love, shares with us our joy, and sustains us in our suffering. God's power is open to us; we trust him.

By the Spirit we are called into Christ's church, to celebrate his love, to seek justice and resist evil, and to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen.

Because we are Christ's disciples, we joyfully covenant with each other to walk together in love, to pray for one another, to care for one another, to live in a community marked by God's love. God is with us. God loves us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. OFFERING (All loose coins in the offering plate will be donated to the PC (USA) Hunger Fund.)

OFFERTORY "More Love to Thee, O Christ" arr	. Mark Hayes
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*DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, we stand before you as a people of faith, investing our lives and our treasures for the glory of your kingdom. Bless these gifts and those who gave them, in Jesus' precious name. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

*HYMN	"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"	547
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*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

*RESPONSE

The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple, The church is not a resting place, the church is a people. I am the church, you are the church, we are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world, yes, we're the church together!

POSTLUDE

"Trumpet March"

Jean-Baptiste/ arr. S. Drummond Wolff

(*Indicates the congregation shall stand as they are able.)

COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP IN THE COMING WEEKS & INVITE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!

9am Worship in the Park 10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

Stay-at-Home: Broadcast live on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/fpchastings</u> (*Please note, you do not need a Facebook account to view the service.*) The Worship Service can also be heard live on the radio simulcast on KICS 1550AM and on 92.7FM.

July 24, 2022

THE RADIO BROADCAST is given in memory of Charlie Fruehling by Christian, Sarah and Arich Fruehling.

THE FLOWERS at the pulpit are given in memory of Charlie Fruehling by Christian, Sarah and Arich Fruehling.

USHERS for July: Team #5, Captain-Ken Stein

Dale Behrens, Matt Fong, Ted Schroeder, Lori Schroeder

GREETERS for July:

JULY	MEMORIAL ROOM	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
3	Teresa Luther	Erin Gastmann	Kay Georgiana
10		Daveta & Dick Brader	Paula Crozier
17	Jill Kramer	C.L. Wimer	Lesa & Steve Cropley
24	Jan Ham	Karen & Roger Doerr	Sarah Allen
31	Eleanor Jorgensen	Flossie Sanderson	Carol & Jim Harrenstein

USHERS for August: Team #6, Captain-Jim Harrenstein

Chanda Essink, Lynne Friedewald, Chuck Shoemaker

GREETERS for August:

AUGUST	MEMORIAL ROOM	MEMORIAL ROOM	NARTHEX
7	Alice Throckmorton	Jill Kramer	Linda & Richard Johnson
14	Jane Foote	Julie Thomsen	Carolyn & Rich McKenzie
21	Lori & Ted Schroeder		Todd Pankratz & Jessica Meeske
28	Mary Kay LaMaster	Jean Barber	Sarah Allen

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Head of Church: Jesus Christ	Ministers: Members of the Church
Senior Pastor: Rev. Greg Allen-Pickett	Associate Pastor: Rev. Damen Jensen-Heitmann
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Organist and Music Coordinator: Linda Vollweiler	Chancel Choir Director: Dr. Robin Koozer
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Please Pray For

Irina Belikova-Erickson Rich Portwood Carl Utley Shirley Gass Tarah Davis & family Georgie Evans Dave Schawang Lanae Hall & family Elaine Schumacher Melba Trehern Chris Wheeler Michael Hahne Cheryl Ann Elfond Josh & Katie Reynolds' families Anne Bohlke Brad Davis

SUN 7/24	9:00a-9:45a	Worship in the Park	Alexander Park
	10:15a-11:15a	Open Table Meal Packing	Fellowship Hall
	10:00a-10:30a	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	10:30a-11:30a	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary/Facebook/Radio
	11:30a-12:30p	Open Table Meal Packing	Fellowship Hall
	11:30a-12:00p	HAW Store Open	Narthex
	5:30p	FPC Family Picnic	Harms Park
	6:30p	FPC Night at Sodbusters	Duncan Field
MON 7/25	8:30a-10:00a	Walkers/Walkers Coffee	Heartwell Park Mon-Thurs
	1:00p-3:00p	1 st Pres. Open Pickleball	PEACE Gym
	5:30p-6:30p	Foundation Committee	Anderson Room
		Meets	
	7:00p-9:00p	Chorus of the Plains	Choir Room
		Rehearsal	
TUES 7/26		No Staff Meeting	
	11:45a-1:15p	Habitat for Humanity Meets	Parlor
	12:00p-1:00p	Bible Study w/Pastor Damen	Anderson Room
	5:30p	Recovery in the Park with	Chautauqua Park
		Revive Ministries	
WEDS 7/27	12:00p-1:00p	Noonday Book Club	Sbbrooks52@gmail.com
	6:30p-9:00p	Woodcarvers Meet	Lower-Level Church
THURS 7/28	6:00p-8:00p	Mexican Folkloric Dance	Middle School Room LL Church
	7:00p-8:00p	Cub Scouts	Scout Room
FRI 7/29	10:00a-12:00p	Mahjong Ladies	Church Room 111
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Our first car show was a success! 41 cars were entered, 100 root beer floats served and \$634.76 raised for United Harvest. Thank you to everyone who came out to support.



Thank you to all who donated to the American Cancer Society! Our luminaria display *in honor of* and *in memory of* those touched by cancer turned out beautifully. Thank you to Susie Graham for her hard work on personally decorating many of the bags and for pulling this event together. Also, a huge thanks to those of you who also decorated a luminary and brought it to the church. We raised over \$1,040 to donate to the American Cancer Society.



There are still 2 more Sundays to help pack lunches for the Open Table Sack Lunch Program (today and July 31). Packing times are 10:15am-11:15am and 11:30am-12:30pm in Fellowship Hall. We also need volunteers to transport the lunches to Catholic Social Services on Sundays after the second session of packing.