

Morning Worship
Sunday, July 26, 2020, 10:00 am
8th Sunday after Pentecost

Beginning Music “How Great Thou Art”

Prelude “Offertory on Regent Square”

Words to ponder: “No matter what happened yesterday, now is the time to call upon God, to lay our lives before our creator, and to proclaim God’s wonderful deeds to one another. Now is the time to worship.”

Additional Scriptures for this Sunday: Genesis 29:15-28;
Psalm 105:1-11

Scriptures for 9th Sunday after Pentecost: Genesis 32:22-31;
Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Welcome Pastor Ed

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: **We gather to sing praises to God.**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: **We gather to give thanks for all God has done in our lives.**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: **We gather to worship our creator, redeemer, and sustainer.**

Opening Prayer (*Unison*) Holy One, we come before you with sighs too deep for words. We come with hearts overwhelmed – by the world, by personal relationships, and by inward struggles. We come to praise your name and to be reassured of your unending grace. In this time and place, open our hearts to your presence. Open our ears to hear your word proclaimed. Open our hands to serve you and the world. May our lives reflect Christ, who walks with us and gives us life. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Opening Hymn “Forward Through the Ages

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages

Rose Aiello

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Romans 8-26b-30 Leader

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Reading Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 Leader

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

Sermon “*The Lake House*” Pastor Ed

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*) Leader

Loving God, you search our hearts to see all the good, all the challenges, and all the obstacles in our lives. You remember the times we have turned away from you – the times we have forgotten we are your beloved children. Forgive us when we do not act as your faithful followers. Remind us we are a part of your family. May your Son, Jesus Christ, intercede in our lives to bring us grace and healing. Help us be your servants and share your story with the world. In your precious name, we pray. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Bill Florin

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts (*Please mail in your offerings*)

Doxology

Offering Prayer (*Unison*) Almighty God, there are treasures all around us – family, friends, your abiding presence, and the love of Christ Jesus. Bless these gifts we return to you now. Bless them, that others might come to know the true treasures of your love and grace. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn “The Spirit Sends Us Forth”

Lord’s Prayer (*Unison*)

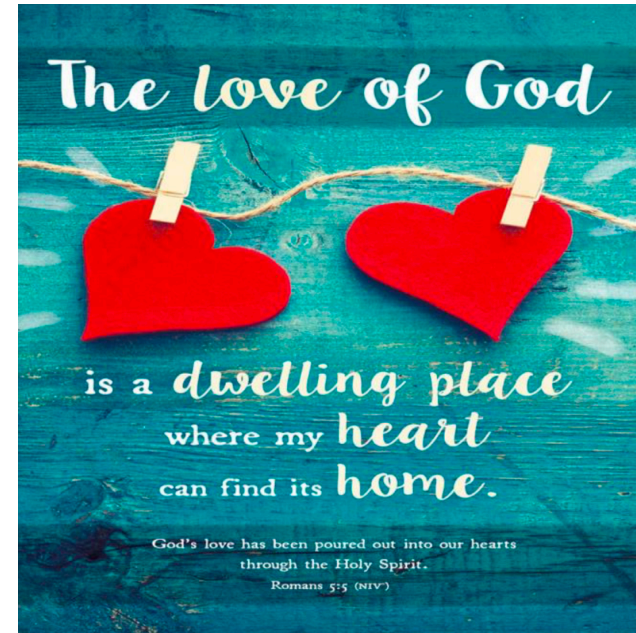
Benediction

Pastor Ed

Our Worship Tech Team

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