

Throughout the Church...

Bible Study - Wednesday @ 10:30am
Movie Night - Thursday @ 6pm



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church office if you are wanting
to use the church building.
Thank you!*

We are an open and affirming congregation that celebrates all people as sacred creations of a loving God. We embrace the fullness of human diversity - across orientations, identities, experiences, and backgrounds - and seek to follow Christ by offering love, compassion, and acceptance to all. In that spirit, we welcome everyone to participate fully in the life, leadership, and ministry of our church.

July's Theme:



What does it mean to follow a God whose deepest desire is liberation? Throughout this series, we will explore the liberating love of God revealed throughout scripture - from Jesus' own declaration of his mission, to the Exodus story, to the vision of justice found in the Year of Jubilee, and finally to the church's ongoing call to join God's work in the world. Together, we'll discover that liberation is more than freedom from something; it is freedom for abundant life, shared dignity, and communities where everyone has the opportunity to flourish. As followers of Christ, we are invited not simply to admire God's liberating love, but to embody it in the way we live, serve, and love our neighbors.



July 19, 2026
10:30am

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Today's Meditation
Justice is really love in calculation. Justice is love correcting that which revolts against love.
-Martin Luther King Jr., 1955

†Please Stand If You Are Able

Fellowship of the Church

Music for Meditation
In Quiet Faith - arr. Broughton

†Call to Worship
One: God has never been particularly interested in doing things halfway.
Many: Grace overflows. Love keeps reaching. Hope keeps showing up.
One: Again and again, God invites us to imagine more than we thought possible.
Many: More room. More freedom. More life for all of us.
One: And when the world tells us to hold tight to what we have,
Many: God teaches us to open our hands.
One: So come, people of God, with open hearts and expectant spirits.
All: We come ready to worship the God whose goodness knows no limits!

†Opening Hymn #22
All Creatures of Our God and King

†Opening Prayer
Leader: Let us pray together:
All: Generous God, you have gathered us here from different places, bringing different life experiences. In this time together, quiet the noise that follows us and open us to your presence. Remind us that your grace is wider than our fears, your love is greater than the limits we create, and your hope is still at work among us. Shape us through our worship, renew us for the work ahead, and draw us closer to you and to one another. We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray together, saying: Our Father/Creator...

†Vision Response #357
We Call Ourselves Disciples - words on screen

Children's Message Rev. Emily Williams

Special Music Natalie Woods, horn
Awesome God - arr. Wilhelm Ramirez

Tithes & Offerings
Be Thou My Vision - Forrest/Wagner

†Doxology #46

Scripture Reading Leviticus 25 & Isaiah 58:6-12
The Word of God, for the people of God, thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Mason Fitch
Justice...It Ain't Pie!

†Hymn of Invitation #501
There Is a Balm in Gilead vs 1 & 2

A Time of Prayer
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The Lord's Supper
Invitation to Christ's Table
All: Here we celebrate that all people are welcome at this table of God's grace.
Communion Hymn #113
Jesus Loves Me!
Elder Meditation & Blessing
Words of Institution

†Congregational Response #480
I Love to Tell the Story vs 1

†Benediction

Postlude
Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart - Messier/Wagner



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Serving in Worship Today

Elders	Steve Peters Kevin Wolfe
Deacons	
Chancel Head	Chris Carrico Alice Jury Dana Powers Larry Weber
Lay Reader	Liz White
Acolyte	Natalie Woods
Tech	Cindy Bridges Debra Kreps
Greeters	Owen & Alice Jury
Counters	John & Lisa Best

Sunday School

Adult Classes	
The Open Table	Mason Fitch
Responders Class	Becky Sisk
Youth Classes	
Friends with Jesus (Pre-k)	Jenny Tripses
Growing Disciples (5th-8th)	Frank Wheeler

Staff

Rev. Adam Bradley	Lead Pastor
Rev. Mason Fitch	Associate Pastor
Heather Woods	Music Ministry Coordinator
Brian Woods	Organist
Brandy Ganschow	Child Care
Donnie Smith	Custodian