

July 12, 2026 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship / Breath Prayer

GATHERING

Prelude

Presentation of Gifts

Responsive Call to Worship

All who walk in shadow, come into the light!

God's Word lights the way for us.

God has promised to abide with us.

So let us commit to walk in God's ways.

All who are afflicted, ensnared by the world,
come give praise to God.

**God is the joy of our heart,
our sure and certain comfort,
come what may!**

Opening Prayer

Dear God,
thank you for loving us beyond measure.
Enter into our hearts this day,
that we can feel your loving presence,
and share that love with others.
In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

Opening Hymn No. 403 – *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

1 Open now thy gates of beauty,
Zion, let me enter there,
where my soul in joyful duty
waits for God who answers prayer;
O how blessed is this place,
filled with solace, light, and grace.

2 Gracious God, I come before thee;
come thou also unto me;
where we find thee and adore thee,
there a heaven on earth must be;
to my heart O enter thou;
let it be thy temple now.

3 Speak, O Lord, and I will hear thee;
let thy will be done indeed;
may I undisturbed draw near thee,
while thou dost thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows;
here is balm for all our woes.

Children's Song – *Where Children Belong*

**This, this is where children belong,
welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song:
this is where children belong.**

Children's Moments

Children's Prayer

CONFESSING

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious Creator, you created this world and called it good.
Yet we, who have been called "Beloved" by you,
often find ourselves making peace with what does not give peace.
Draw us away from our love of power,
our tolerance of injustice, our ignorance of suffering.
Drive us towards what is fearfully and wonderfully made,
so that we may inspire hope, offer forgiveness,
and love our neighbors through faithful living,
according to the way of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Response No. 447 – *We Are Forgiven*

**We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.**

**We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.**

Passing the Peace of Christ

LEARNING

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson – *Genesis 25:19-34*

Sermon

RESPONDING

Hymn of Response No. 434 – *Restore in Us, O God

**1 Restore in us, O God,
the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts,
and all our sins remove.**

**2 O Spirit, wake in us
the wonder of your power;
from fruitless fear unfurl our lives
like springtime bud and flower.**

**3 Bring us, O Christ, to share
the fullness of your joy;
baptize us in the risen life
that death cannot destroy.**

**4 Three-personed God, fulfill
the promise of your grace,
that we, when all our searching ends,
may see you face to face.**

Affirmation of Faith – from *The Confession of Belhar

**We believe that God has entrusted to the Church
the message of reconciliation;
and that the Church is called
to proclaim and embody this reconciliation;
to be peacemakers;
and to believe and to witness
that God conquers all powers of sin and death,
of hate, bitterness, and enmity,
through his life-giving Word and Spirit.
We praise God that the gospel
does not separate people on the basis of
race, gender, class, or culture,
but is the power of reconciliation in Christ. Amen.**

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.**

Offering

Doxology No. 606 – *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

**Holy God, you have called us together as your people, gathered in your church,
to struggle on behalf of your promises of grace and life for all the world.
So we pledge this portion of what is precious to us gratefully and hopefully.
Bless and multiply these gifts. May their fruit demonstrate
the unfathomable, inestimable glory that is yours in Christ Jesus.
And if that's asking too little, do more! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

SENDING

***Sending Hymn No. 32 – I Sing the Mighty Power of God**

**1 I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day.
The moon shines full at God's command,
and all the stars obey.**

**2 I sing the goodness of the Lord
who filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures through the Word,
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,
where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!**

**3 There's not a plant or flower below
but makes thy glories known.
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne,
while all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care,
and everywhere that we can be,
thou, God, art present there.**

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

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