

9th Sunday after Pentecost

August 10, 2025 9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship pads and pass them back to the center aisle.
After worship please greet your neighbors by name.

Our Approach to God

Prelude Meditation Louis Vierne

The Call to Worship (based on Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16)
Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the convictions of things not seen.

Like Abraham, let us follow God, even when we don't know where we are going.

By faith, let us look forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

Let us worship the God whose promises call and claim us.

*The Hymn of Praise O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee 357

*The Call to Confession
Sin hinders us and prevents us from receiving God's Word. Let us open our hearts to God's truth and liberate ourselves to walk Christ's path.

*The Prayer of Confession
God of Hope and Promise, we admit that our faith sometimes falters. We acknowledge that our doubts and grievances often overwhelm. We struggle to comprehend our own suffering and that of others. Pardon us when we lose faith in you and in ourselves. Guide us back to harmonious relationships. Encourage us to stay engaged and committed to meaningful dialogues filled with grace. Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon
God's grace is given freely. God's love is steadfast. Receive the good news that you are forgiven, and live liberated from sin to the glory of God. Amen. Prayer for illumination God, your Word directs every step we take. Help us listen closely to your Word as it is read and preached today, so we may understand your message and follow your will. **Amen.**

*The Gloria Patri 577
Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Special Music Just a Closer Walk with Thee
Billie Bauer and Chuck Kemerer, vocalists

The Word of God

The Time with the Children Rev. Mark Morningstar

The Gospel Reading Luke 12:32-40 page 1484

The Sermon Rev. Mark Morningstar

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed (Traditional) Hymnal, page 14

*The Hymn My Faith Looks Up to Thee 383

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)
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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts
The Offertory Great is Thy Faithfulness William Runyan
 Billie Bauer and Chuck Kemerer, vocalists

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

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Hymn *O Jesus, I Have Promised* 388

*The Charge and Benediction

*The Congregational Response *I Come with Joy*, verse 5 507
 **Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways.
And as God's people in the world, we'll live and speak His praise,
we'll live and speak His praise.**

*Postlude Toccata Quinta Girolamo Frescobaldi

 * Congregation Standing – for those who are able.

Liturgist : Billie Bauer
Ushers:
Greeter: Laura Bosley
Fellowship Hour:
Musical Talents: Thomas Heidenreich – Director of Music Ministry, Billie Bauer
and Chuck Kemerer, vocalists

**Please join us immediately following worship in the gathering area for
fellowship hour.**

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Seeking and Serving Christ We are a Place for Growing Christians

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Good morning, everyone. We are so pleased to have Rev. Mark Morningstar with us today. We are grateful for his willingness to share his time and ministry with us. Reverend Morningstar, we welcome you to our pulpit and thank you for leading us in worship today.

Watch for future updates in bulletins and newsletters of the process in calling our next pastor. The first step is to elect a Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). This is in the hands of our Nominating Committee. When they have nominees to recommend a congregational meeting will be called to elect them, for which you will receive a proper notice. At this time please keep the staff and leadership of the church in your prayers. It is a time to remember we are in transition and we are all God's creatures in need of an extra dose of patience and grace towards each other.

In His Service,

The Administration Committee



- On Sunday's, the church doors will be open to the congregation at 8:15 a.m. Should you have a special circumstance that requires earlier access to the church, (Communion servers, musical guests, etc.) please contact the church office to make arrangements during office hours. **The office will be**

open Monday through Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted) but, as unforeseen circumstances may occur, please call 989-792-1023 to be sure that someone is in the office before you drive to the church.

- The congregation should contact the office with any pastoral care needs. Sonia will direct your request to Genie Herter and she will coordinate with session members to fulfill those needs.
- **SPC Session will meet Tuesday, August 12 at 7:00 p.m.**

On Sunday, August 17, there will be a special summer walk-up choir. All are invited to come to the choir room at 8:30 a.m. to rehearse, sit in the congregation, and then come up for the Anthem. This is a great way to try out the choir and see if you would like to sing on a regular basis!

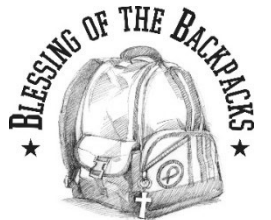


Mission Collections



Watch for back-to-school specials! Next Sunday, August 17, is the last day to donate school supplies for elementary school children. Any donations of backpacks, pencils, crayons, or other needed items may be placed on the table in the mission corner to be delivered before the start of school.

Join us on Sunday August 17 during "Time with the Children" as we bless the students and teachers for the 2025-2026 school year. Each student will receive a gift bag with items to start the school year.



Lost and Found

On the coat rack in the gathering area, there are a number of coats, jackets, etc. that were located throughout the church. If they are yours, please take them home. If they remain unclaimed, they will be donated.