

THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One: There is something deeper than trouble.

Many: It is mercy.

One: God's amazing grace;

Many: Carrying, lifting, holding us in all seasons.

One: There is something more powerful than despair.

Many: It is mercy.

One: God's amazing love;

Many: Seeing us through dark nights, waves of sadness,
mountains of grief.

One: There is something longer lasting than pain.

Many: It is mercy

One: God's healing touch;

Many: Bringing us hope, leading us to joy, teaching us to sing.

* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

* **SACRED MUSIC** #2 “Come, Thou Almighty King” NPH

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Source, Guide and goal of all that is, we acknowledge that though we come from you, we have not always followed the guidance you have given us. We have certainly not reached the goal of perfection that lies ahead of us. Do not leave unfinished the work you have begun in us. Be patient with us for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles' Creed**
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison) #581 NPH

* **THE PEACE** (Response: “And also with you.”)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 16:13-20

Pg. 18 NT

(No Church School; Children to Remain.)

SERMON

“Letting Loose”

Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* **SACRED MUSIC** #451 “Open My Eyes, That I May See” NPH

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)

OFFERING

(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs as you exit the sanctuary following worship.)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER

(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

* **SACRED MUSIC** #450 “Be Thou My Vision” NPH

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

HaEun Yang

* *Congregation standing; as each person desires.*

Following the worship service everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for conversation and a light repast.



PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Nick Dekay, Christy and their family on the death of Nick's father, Bryan J. DeKay, Mark and Nancey Brackett, Betsy Robinson, Ellen Grayson, Chris MacRae and his family, Bill and Karen Parker, Mackenzie, Brandon, and Parker Bartley, Lauren Compton, Bev and Jerry Findley, Bob Fraser, Wanda Renick, Mark and Nancy Brown, Carolyn O'Connor, Lew Shepard, Marilyn Coir, Christa Lyon, Vern and Arvilla Aldous, Rich Denison, Colleen Grant, Janet Favro, and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; those serving our nation and their families who support them; parents raising children and children caring for parents.

Director of Music	Jeanne-Minette Cilliers
Pianist	HaEun Yang
Church School Director:	Andrea Montgomery
Congregational Coordinator	Linda Potter
Office Coordinator:	Christy Dekay

The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a

AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

Sunday 8/23/26	- In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (9 a.m.)
Thursday 8/27/26-	- Choir Practice Resumes (6:30 p.m. Choir Room)
Sunday 8/30/26	- In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (9 a.m.)

Birthdays: Casey Basford, Julia Basford (Monday); Kristine Potter (Tuesday); Ashley Ross, Gerald Findley (Wednesday); Patrick Ames, Beth Hayes (Thursday); Grace Franklin, Beatrice McManus (Friday)

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick & the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.
Praise Him (God) all creatures here below.
Praise Him (God) above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father (Creator), Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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.