

To Our Visitors

We welcome you and hope our worship enables you to draw near to God through Christ Jesus, and that you feel welcome among us. Please sign our guest book in the Narthex.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Prayer needs

Brenda, for brother's health
Kay, continued faith, poor prognosis
Maureen, dear friend of Lisa
Jean, friend of Cheri, breast cancer
Justin, discernment re: job location
Pastor Scott McKee, new suffering
All who hate their neighbors, to be restrained
Leona, 5th grader, for confidence
Elder Jack E, severe vision problems
Senie E, severe pain in back
Our children who are learning about Jesus at home and in Sunday School
Our children's Sunday school teachers
Claudine Sordyl's uncle, Richard
Ellen Dorman, low iron, treatment
Cheri's friend, Nancy, in hospice
Sister of Sue Dial
Bruce: for elderly woman with cancer
Diane Carr, grief, questions of future

Thank you for your faithful giving.

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Giving in August; \$14,392

Heidelberg Catechism. Q. 37. What do you understand by the word "suffered"? **A.** That during his whole life on earth, but especially at the end, Christ sustained in body and soul the anger of God against the whole human race.

Prayer need

Chet Doak, recent surgery
Carolyn Krueger, moved to senior facility
Bunny, for continued strength
Glad, for continued strength
Lance, liver failure, relative of Isles family
Krystal's friend, Lolita, esophageal cancer
Lisa, Pastor's niece, multiple cancers
Pray for strength for caregivers in families of the ill
Pray for our military as they serve in dangerous places
Family (3 members) of Carolyn K, health issues
Johnny, injury in a fall, not doing well, and wife, Betty
Emilee for a job, and for several family members' health
Diane, friend of Cheri, fall with injury,
Kadyjah's family, for peace
Pam's father, Nathan, in pain, surgery postponed
Judy Carr, infection in leg
Esmerelda, to be free of cancer (Elaine's relative)
Sudden death of two cousins of Renate, Elaine's friend
Friend of Isles family, poor school situation, her fears
Pray for those who are grieving the loss of loved ones
Benita's friend, Sandy, in hospital, several needs

Tuesday morning Ladies' Bible Study will resume on September 10 at 10 a.m. with the study of Romans. If you need information on attending and/or purchasing the study guide, contact Judy Dellinger, 734.386.6449.



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Welcome to Worship

September 1, 2024

Gathering Song: Holy, Holy, Holy (page 7)

†Call to Worship (Psalm 104:24,31, 33)

Pastor: O Lord, how many are your works!

People: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your possessions.

Pastor: Let the glory of the Lord endure for ever.

People: Let the Lord be glad in his works.

Pastor: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live.

Unison: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

† Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (page 8)

† Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

†Standing as you are able

First Scripture Readings

Today's Reader: Justin Isles

Exodus 12:1-15 Responsive

The Lord's Prayer--2

¹The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in Egypt, ²“This month is to be for you the first month, the first month of your year.

³**Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. ⁴If any household is too small for a whole lamb, they must share one with their nearest neighbor, having taken into account the number of people there are. You are to determine the amount of lamb needed in accordance with what each person will eat.**

⁵The animals you choose must be year-old males without defect, and you may take them from the sheep or the goats. ⁶Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the members of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight.

⁷**Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. ⁸That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast.**

⁹Do not eat the meat raw or boiled in water, but roast it over a fire—with the head, legs and internal organs. ¹⁰Do not leave any of it till morning; if some is left till morning, you must burn it.

¹¹**This is how you are to eat it: with your cloak tucked into your belt, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand. Eat it in haste; it is the LORD's Passover.**

¹²“On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals, and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. ¹³The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.

¹⁴“**This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD—a lasting ordinance. ¹⁵For seven days you are to eat bread made without yeast. On the first day remove the yeast from your houses, for whoever eats anything with yeast in it from the first day through the seventh must be cut off from Israel.**

The Lord's Prayer--1

Leviticus 18:1-8, 24-30; 20:11 Responsive

¹ The LORD said to Moses, ² "Speak to the Israelites and say to them: 'I am the LORD your God. ³ You must not do as they do in Egypt, where you used to live, and you must not do as they do in the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you. Do not follow their practices.

⁴ **You must obey my laws and be careful to follow my decrees. I am the LORD your God.** ⁵ **Keep my decrees and laws, for the person who obeys them will live by them. I am the LORD.**

⁶ "No one is to approach any close relative to have sexual relations. I am the LORD.

⁷ "Do not dishonor your father by having sexual relations with your mother. She is your mother; do not have relations with her.

⁸ "Do not have sexual relations with your father's wife; that would dishonor your father.

²⁴ "Do not defile yourselves in any of these ways, because this is how the nations that I am going to drive out before you became defiled. ²⁵ Even the land was defiled; so I punished it for its sin, and the land vomited out its inhabitants.

²⁶ But you must keep my decrees and my laws. The native-born and the foreigners residing among you must not do any of these detestable things, ²⁷ for all these things were done by the people who lived in the land before you, and the land became defiled. ²⁸ And if you defile the land, it will vomit you out as it vomited out the nations that were before you.

²⁹ "Everyone who does any of these detestable things—such persons must be cut off from their people. ³⁰ Keep my requirements and do not follow any of the detestable customs that were practiced before you came and do not defile yourselves with them. I am the LORD your God."

^{20:11} "If a man has sexual relations with his father's wife, he has dishonored his father. Both the man and the woman are to be put to death; their blood will be on their own heads.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

HYmn

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Yuta Sugano, Musician

Join All the Glorious Names

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him all creature here below.

Praise Him about ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Second Scripture Readings

Galatians 5:16-26 Responsive

¹⁶ So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

¹⁹ **The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰ idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹ and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.**

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

1 Corinthians 5:1-13 Responsive

¹ It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that even pagans do not tolerate: A man is sleeping with his father's wife.

² **And you are proud! Shouldn't you rather have gone into mourning and have put out of your fellowship the man who has been doing this?**

³ For my part, even though I am not physically present, I am with you in spirit. As one who is present with you in this way, I have already passed judgment in the name of our Lord Jesus on the one who has been doing this.

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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

⁴ So when you are assembled and I am with you in spirit, and the power of our Lord Jesus is present, ⁵ hand this man over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved on the day of the Lord.

⁶ Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? ⁷ Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. ⁸ Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

⁹ I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— ¹⁰ not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world.

¹¹ But now I am writing to you that you must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. Do not even eat with such people.

¹² What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside? ¹³ God will judge those outside. "Expel the wicked person from among you."

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: Sin and Complacency

Dr. James N. McGuire

Pastoral Prayer

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

See insert

† Hymn: The Lord's Prayer (pages 10,11)

† Responsive Litany (1 John 4:7-12 ESV)

Pastor: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

People: Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

Pastor: In this the love of God was made manifest among us that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him.

People: In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Pastor: Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Unison; No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

Holy, Holy, Holy

† Benediction

Welcome, Announcements, and Prayers

Notice of Congregational Meeting

A meeting of the congregation for the election of officers will be held on Sunday, September 25, following the worship service. All members are encouraged to attend.

If you have not picked up your new Church directory, please do so.