

"A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

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MISSION STATEMENT

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025 8:30 A.M.



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.

As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God". However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

<u>VISITORS..</u> Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. We would love to meet you!

<u>PLEASE REMEMBER...</u> to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. One of the Vicars or Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

<u>DID YOU KNOW...</u> Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

<u>LITTLE FOLKS...</u> Parents... please remember that there are 'busy bags' hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

<u>BE COMFORTABLE.</u> There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

Hearing Devices: The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

FLOWERS for the altar today are given to the Glory of God!

<u>PRAYERS:</u> Eric Werner, Dyanne Radke, Mary Marsh, Bill Haney, Dick Sowers (friend of Gary Raasch), Pastor Lee Bennight (friends of Sharon Merz), Dave Blevins (friend of Gary Raasch), Jacky Patte, Janice Radke (Dyanne Radke's daughter-in-law), Donna (sister of Lisa Crayne), Loretta Munsterman, Susie Reible, Susan Baxter, Mason Fletcher (Grandson of Lisa Crayne), Glennis Swain (friend of Jim & Sherrie Wehrer), Forrest Marsh, Carolyn Smith, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller)

Remember in your prayers Jackie Tracey whose brother went to be with the Lord on Wednesday.

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Contemporary version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of June. God blesses our prayers.

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- V God Is Good!
- C All the time
- V All the time
- C God Is Good!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- V Blessed be the Holy Trinity,

 → one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.
- C Amen.
- V We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P By water and the Holy Spirit, God gives us a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God forgives us all our sins.

 Almighty God strengthen us in all goodness and keep us in eternal life.
- C Amen.



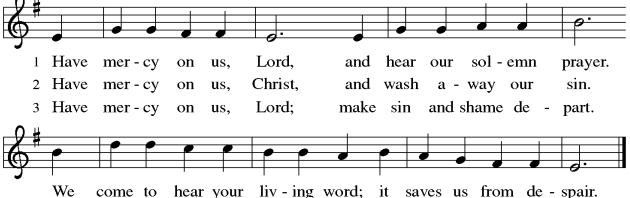
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GREETING

- V The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

KYRIE



Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY together we pray:

C Creator God. You have formed us out of the dust of the earth itself. Help us to love these earthly forms, and to care for them and for one another as you do. Mold our hearts and our spirits that we might live in love and service to our neighbors out of gratitude for the gift of life you have given us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

- V May the peace of the Lord be with you always!
- C And also with you
- V Please generously share God's peace all around!

WORSHIP CAROL

ENSEMBLE "Have Thine Own Way, Lord" Paul Ehler

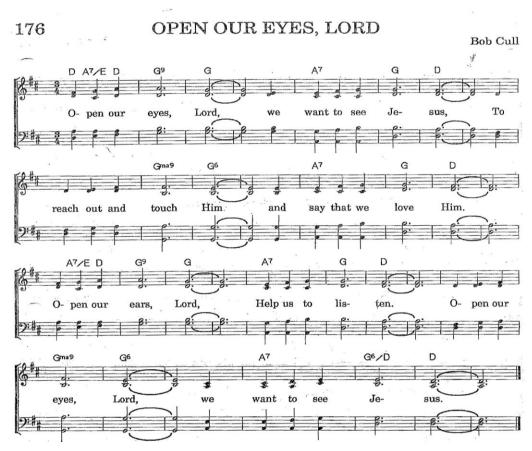
LESSON: Jeremiah 18:1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ² "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." ³ So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. ⁴ The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

⁵Then the word of the Lord came to me: ⁶Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will pluck up and break

down and destroy it, ⁸ but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. ⁹ And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, ¹⁰ but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. ¹¹ Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you, from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 15:1-8

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes ^[a] to make it bear more fruit. ³ You have already been cleansed ^[b] by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷ If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become ^[c] my disciples.

- V The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING: "Repentence???!!!" Vicar Char Schomisch



THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.
On the third day He rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

V we pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

V Creator God, you formed us out of the earth in your own image, beautiful works of divine art. When our actions or inactions mar the perfection you envision for us, make us new by your loving hand. God, in your mercy

C Hear our prayer.

V All creation is the work of your hand. Renew in us a commitment to your call to care for all that you have made just as you do, that we might preserve, protect, and live in peace with the world. God, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

C Bless Your Church. Purify, preserve & provide through your Holy Spirit. We pray for each of our mission congregations, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision and call process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values while we support the call committee in moving toward a pastoral transition.

We also pray for that pastor whom God calls to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward in mission. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."

V We establish nations not to become gods for us to worship, but to serve the people who live within their borders. Remind our leaders of their responsibility to work for the well-being of everyone they serve. God, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

V You have given us bodies that are beautiful and resilient, but sometimes fragile. Help us to care for our bodies, and when they fail us, strengthen us in trust that you are present in our pain. Give hope and healing to all who suffer, especially those we remember in our hearts. God, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

V You do not plot and plan evil against us, O God, even when it might seem we deserve it. Remind us always of your boundless mercy and grace, that we might, in gratitude, change our ways to act in justice and mercy to all those around us. God, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

V Keep us ever mindful of those who have gone before us in the faith, that we might hold fast to your promise of everlasting life until we see them again face to face. God, in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

- V Trusting in your unending grace for all that you have made, we lift these and the prayers of our hearts to your loving care.
- C Amen.

THE OFFERING (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both in- person giving as well as online giving.)



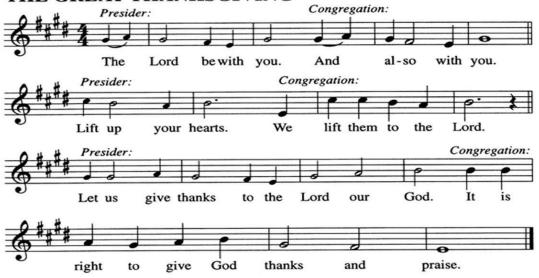
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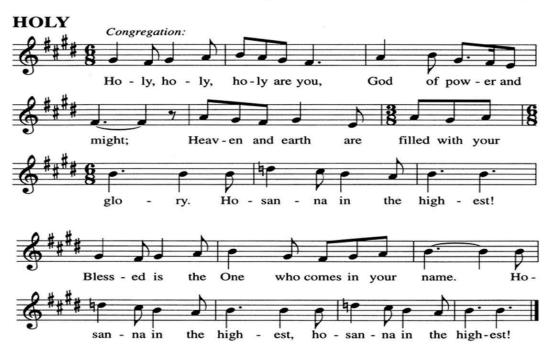
OFFERING RESPONSE (please stand)

Stand AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT Refrain Congregation: once scat-tered on the hill As the grains of wheat were be - come our bread; gath-ered in - to to one all the ends of earth be from so may all your peo-ple gath-ered in - to in you. one Verses midst 1. As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our when a fore-taste of all that is to come 2. Let this be to Refrain love. of pres - ence your share the may we a - tion shares this with feast you. all cre -

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn



- V Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
 - We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
 - Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

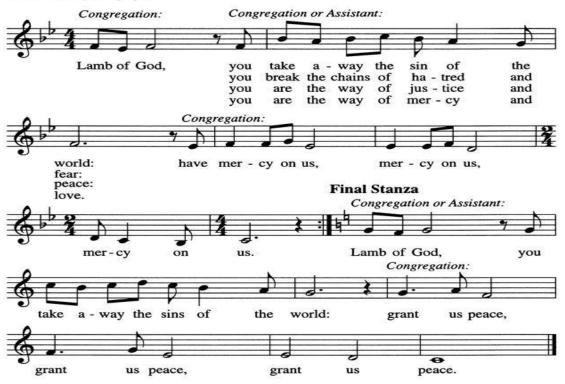
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice. Those who are not communing as well as children may come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms in front of your chest to receive a blessing. Everyone should complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

LAMB OF GOD



HYMNS DURING COMMUNION



TEXT: Adelaide A. Pollard MUSIC: George C. Stebbins

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HYMNS DURING COMMUNION (con't.)

"O Master, Let Me Walk with You"

ELW 818



Text: Washington Gladden, 1836–1918, alt. Music: H. Percy Smith, 1825–1898

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COMMUNION BLESSING:

- V The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (together we pray)

C God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



V Almighty God has created you and has a purpose for your life every day! Lord, Help us remember, IF YOU ARE NOT DEAD...

C YOU ARE NOT DONE!

- V Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the Holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.
- C Amen.

DISMISSAL

- V Go in peace. Christ is sending you.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Announcements

<u>PRAYER FELLOWSHIP:</u> The next Prayer Fellowship gathering will be held on Thursday, June 26th at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary. Please bring your Bible and the prayers you shared so we can make copies. See you there!!

BAZAAR CRAFT WORKSHOP: will be held on Thursday, June 26th in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00-11:00 am. Come join us!!

REMINDERS:

Support Groups

GriefShare: Sundays at 12:15 pm, Fellowship Hall Classroom

Service

<u>Monthly Breakfast Brunch</u> 1st Sunday of each month following worship in Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite <u>breakfast dish</u> to share and come for fellowship.

Food Pantry: 1st Sunday of each month we collect food for the local Food Pantry. When doing your shopping consider picking up a couple of items to

<u>Men's Breakfast</u> the 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Daybreakers**. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

<u>Women's Breakfast Club</u> 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at Izzy's on Foothills Blvd. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

<u>Days for Girls:</u> will meet on July 5th @ 9 am in Fellowship Hall. Come join us for fellowship and fun.

Reading and Learning

Bible Study: to be continued in the Fall

Prayer Fellowship: will meet on Thursday, June 26th

Fun and Fellowship

Line dancing: Will resume in Fall

<u>Chair Aerobics</u>: Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 pm & Fridays at 10:30 am in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$5/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Service time is: 8:30 am

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Dat	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Comm.	Readers	AV
6/22	Niki	Brenda Taylor/L. Unger	C. Wade/Jan Klipfel	Jean Gerfen	Mich/Dave
6/29	Char	Rick/Barbara Sherwood	Dave/Marge Graham	S. Arceneaux	Char/Dave
7/6	Nancy	John/Verna Arnold	Dave/ Nancy Griffiths	Char	Mich/Dave
7/13	Michel	Bob/Judy Zeiss	Dave/Lynda Seinman	S. Weidling	Char/Tom
7/20	Jan	Joanne Ausing/M. Marsh	Jay/Anna Sokes	Nancy Griffiths	Mich/Gary

Attendance for June 15, 2025

81 @ 8:30 am

Facebook = 213 YouTube =15

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 6/23	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday 6/24	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Wed. 6/25	1:00 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Thurs. 6/26	7:00 am	TOPS	Classroom
Thurs. 6/26	9:00 am	Prayer Fellowship	Sanctuary
Thurs. 6/26	9:00 am	Bazaar Craft Workshop	Fellowship Hall
Friday 6/27	8:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Friday 6/27	10:30 am	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Friday 6/27	10:30 am	Spanish/English Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Saturday 6/28	9:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 6/29	8:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 6/29	12:15 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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