

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 7, 2022

THE GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Let All Things Now Living* arr. Berry

*CALL TO WORSHIP From Psalm 50

Leader: God the Lord speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

People: **God says, "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me."**

Leader: Those who bring thanksgiving as their sacrifice honor the Lord.

People: **To those who go the right way I will show the salvation of God.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

*HYMN 401 *Here in This Place* GATHER US IN

*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRIA 582

THE WORD

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 15: 1-6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12: 32-40

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *God's Good Pleasure* Rev. Beth Newman

CHORAL ANTHEM *Amazing Grace* arr. Coates

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe God is our creator and has promised to love us always. We believe Jesus Christ, fully God and fully human, is God's promise living among us. He experienced all the pain and joy and challenges of human life. God's forgiving love was revealed to us when Jesus suffered death on the cross. He came back to new life and has promised us new life in unity with God. We believe the Holy Spirit is God's promise touching our spirits, guiding us--even through the darkest and most difficult moments of our lives. We believe God is among us, in community. Mysterious, yet very real, God promises to be with us always, even to the end of the age.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING *If You Love Me* arr. Thewes

*THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER THE OFFERING

SENDING

*HYMN 307 *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDA

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

**May the love of God go with you from this place.
May your hours and days show forth His praise.**

*POSTLUDE *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* arr. Lowe

**Rise in body or spirit.*

The Prayer of Confession is from the PCUSA Book of Common Worship
The Affirmation of Faith is from Banquet of Praise by Bread for the World

Leading in worship today: Rev. Beth Newman, Transitional Pastor; Rev. Rachel Lackey, Minister of Music; Cathy Evans, Elder of the Month

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We seek to follow Jesus Christ as we . . .

Engage and encourage one another in worship and fellowship

Learn together as we grow in discipleship and

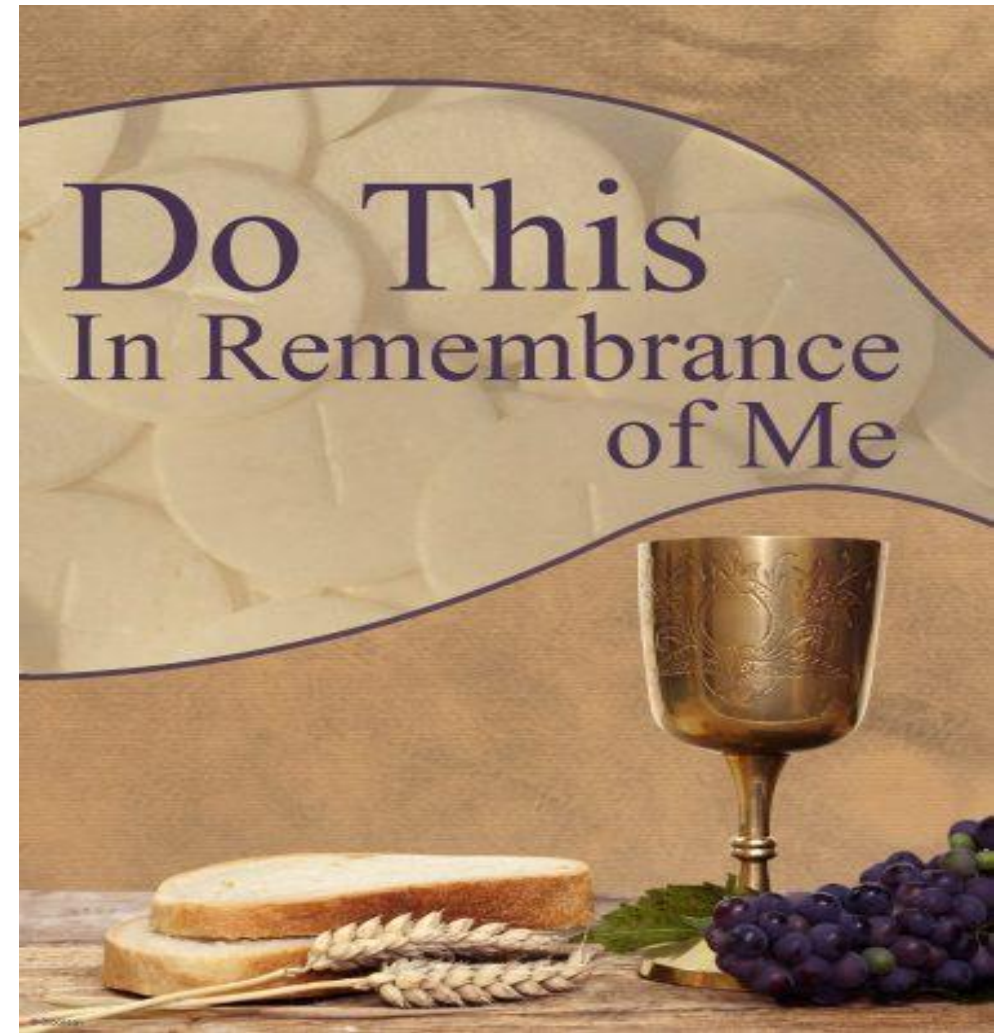
Reach out in love.

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Operating Expenses	\$75,522
Operating Excess/Deficit	\$ 6,266
Manse Renovation Expense	\$15,856
Excess/Deficit	\$(9,590)

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