

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

COMMUNITY IN CHRIST

For just as the body is one and has many

members...so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body... If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it (1 Corinthians 12:12-13, 26). Because the worshiping members of Jerusalem have a significantly higher vaccination rate than our county that, together with new recommendations from the CDC and other church guidelines, has been prayerfully weighed by our leaders, along with the many different needs and wishes within our congregation. Therefore at this time as we emerge from the Covid pandemic we are worshiping in this way:

WELCOME

- IN-PERSON WORSHIPERS, please leave the first few spaces in the front parking lot for parking lot worshipers.
- IN-PARKING LOT WORSHIPERS, please park in the first few spaces closest to Dock Street and tune your radio to **90.1 FM**.
- VISITORS, we welcome you! In this uncertain time of a pandemic, we
 believe that grace-filled love of God made known in Jesus Christ, and
 proclaimed in scripture, prayer, and worship sustains us even now. We
 are glad that you are here with us, so that together, we all can receive
 the Good News of Jesus Christ, and then be strengthened in daily love
 for God and our neighbors.

Masks and Distancing

- Vaccinated people may choose whether or not to wear a mask.
- Unvaccinated people are expected to wear masks, and to seek inoculation if that is medically advisable.
- People without masks need to assume that people wearing masks will want a six-foot distance from others, unless the masked person welcomes a closer distance.
- People without masks can choose a comfortable distance from each other.
- We have lots of space in which to worship, so we can spread throughout the nave for each service, but we will continue to tape off alternating pews as a precaution for people who are masked and need distance.

Worship Practices

- We will continue to offer parking lot worship, video recordings of the service, and mailings of the bulletin and sermon for people who cannot yet attend in-person worship.
- We are resuming congregational speaking and singing in the building.
- Hymnals will be available in the pew racks, and distributed to and collected from people worshiping in the parking lot.
- Large print worship binders are available inside at worship stations.
 Those worshipping in the parking lot can request large print from an usher.
- Wine and grape juice are once again being offered from the chalice inside, with intinction being offered outside.
- The offering plates will stay in the back for the time being, until our ushering volunteers are back in full force.
- Lectors, Assisting Ministers, Communion Assistants, Ushers, Sound Board people, and Acolytes are needed! If you have done this before, or would like to try something new, please see Melissa Boyer or Pastor Rowe.

HOLY COMMUNION

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GATHERING

PRELUDES

All Creatures of Our God and King The Handbell Choir Albert Zabel

The bell rings calling us to worship.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

the God of manna,

the God of miracles.

the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding

rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?
Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,

there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

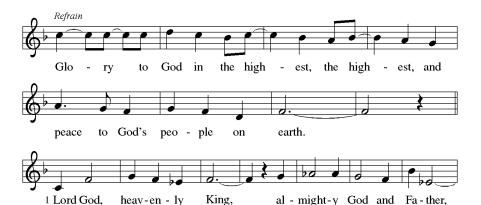
Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

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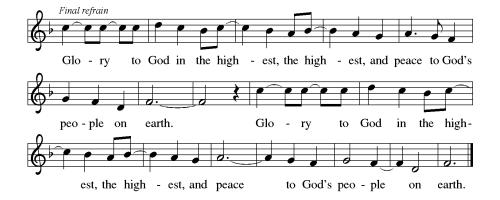
GREETING

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE







PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

Job 38:1-11

The assembly inside is seated.

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

4"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

8"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—

⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors.

¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,

for God's mercy en- dures forever.

²Let the redeemed of the | LORD proclaim

that God redeemed them from the hand | of the foe,

³gathering them in | from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and | from the south.

²³Some went down to the | sea in ships,

plying their trade in deep waters.

²⁴They beheld the works | of the LORD, God's wonderful works | in the deep.

²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.

²⁷They staggered and | reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of | no avail.

²⁸Then in their trouble they cried ¹ to the LORD, and you delivered them from ¹ their distress.

²⁹You stilled the storm | to a whisper and silenced the waves | of the sea.

³⁰Then were they glad when | it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor | they desired.

³¹Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your | steadfast love and your wonderful works | for all people.

³²Let them exalt you in the assembly | of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing | hallelujah!

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak

as to children—open wide your hearts also.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly inside stands to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL Mark 4:35-41

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Tanya Cartwright

A prerecorded children's sermon is available to view on our website, Facebook page, and YouTube Channel.

SERMON Pastor David Rowe

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The assembly inside stands. All proclaim the word of God in song.

APOSTLES CREED

We confess our faith with the whole church using the ancient baptismal creed that summarizes the teaching of the scripture and the apostles.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come 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

As a local assembly of believers, we pray for the whole world and church, as well as our local congregation and neighborhood.

Let us come before the triune God in prayer. A brief silence.

Holy God, you gather your people from east and west, north and south. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You laid the foundations of the earth and the waters are the womb of creation. The morning stars sing your name and all creation shouts for joy. We pray for your blessed creation, that it may continue to flourish and magnify your glory. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You keep watch over all nations. We pray for countries experiencing violence, hunger, and unrest, and especially for the lessening of tension between Russia and us, and Israel and the Palestinians. Guide worldwide and local community organizations in their efforts to establish safety and justice. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Your love endures in all situations. On this Father's Day, we pray for those who are fathers or wish to be fathers, for those with broken or strained relationships, for those who are missing their fathers, and for fathers who have lost children. Bless and strengthen them. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You are close to the brokenhearted and near to those in distress. We pray for those who are experiencing oppression. Liberate us from the systems and chains that bind us. Remove the barriers that separate us from one another. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You give medicine and science to bring healing and health to many diseases. Give wisdom to policy makers so that the Covid pandemic can be controlled throughout the world, recovery to the sick, and comfort to the dying and grieving. We raise in prayer before you all who are in need of your care in their illnesses... Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders. Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted in this assembly. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

We greet each other with a nod or gesture of Christian fellowship from a distance, and we also invite you to text or email a word of peace to someone. The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister invites the assembly to give thanks.

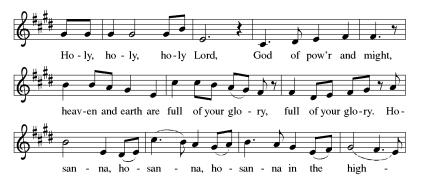
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The presiding minister continues with the communion preface; and then the assembly responds with the "Holy, Holy, Holy".





THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION

The thanksgiving concludes:

... For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

. . . Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

. . . Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

. . . Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

...Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

INSIDE WORSHIPERS:

During this time as we emerge from the pandemic we continue to follow ecumenical safety guidelines. Ushers will dismiss you by pew, then please give people wearing masks a six-foot distance as you approach the altar by the center aisle. Please take an empty glass if you wish to receive wine, or a glass prefilled with grape juice. The pastor, who has thoroughly disinfected his/her hands will place the consecrated wafer into your outstretched palms so that you may receive the body of Christ. Then proceed to one of the chalices where the wine will be poured, or where you will drink the prefilled glass.

There the communion assistant will declare the blood of Christ given for you. Those not receiving Holy Communion are invited to come forward to receive a no-touch blessing.

OUTSIDE WORSHIPERS:

The Lord's Supper will be brought to those outside by a Communion Assistant, who will use an intinction set so that the consecrated wafer can be dipped in the grape juice, in order to receive the loving body and blood of Christ.

ANTHEM How Can I Keep From Singing Taylor Davis

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The assembly may be seated.

TEMPLE TALK: MISSION SUPPORT

Tanya Cartwright

BLESSING

The blessing of God,

who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

+ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Praise and Thanksgiving

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DISMISSAL

The assisting minister sends the assembly into mission.

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Toccata in F Major

Dietrich Buxtehude

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PRAYER LIST

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Those with Long-term health issues:

Bonnie Jean Foose, Michelle Ochenrider, Rich & Sandy Moyer, Ethan Yost, Elizabeth Taylor, Carol Landes, Maureen Moyer, Janice Barr, Donna Direnzo, Jim Musico, John Krater, Fawn Goodman, Bob Yanek, Rebecca Marshall, Sapphire Schaeffer, Mark Wyllie, Krysta Kolbe, Shirley Emrich, Mark Noecker, Anna Heffner, David Wise, Joan Steficheck, Bill Everly, Donna Leashefski, Florence Clemens, Sara Berger, Chuck Copley, Jeff Kamar, Mary Sewalt, Pat Thomas, Nathan Resch, Casey Watson, Linda Bonfiglio-Boyer, Gemma Geary, Harold & Fay Sausser

Those serving in the Armed Forces:

Major Michael Shay, Staff Sgt. Joseph Moyer, Senior Airman Matthew Nettles, Airman Jackie Nettles, 2nd LT Heather Strouse, Sgt. Travis D. Miller, Sgt. Anthony Cooper, Private 3rd Class Caleb Levan

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Assisting Ministers	Ellayna Boyer	Linda Covert
Lectors	Laurie Bedford	Beverly Kriner
Communion Assistants	Karen Ochenrider	Rob Baessler
Ushers	Deb Reed	Frank Mahoney
	Hunter Reed	Jane Mahoney
Sound Board	Melissa Boyer	Rachel Kramer
Video Recorder		Mary Rowe
Counters	Linda Collins, Deb Reed	l. & Marie Shav

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

8:00am 10:30am
Assisting Ministers Karen Ochenrider Lloyd Wertz
Lectors Deb Reed Rebekah Cdebaca
Communion Assistants Mary Rowe Leslie Wagner
Ushers Faith Batz Don Boyer

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Counters Lou Messina, Rob Baessler, Janet Sattizahn

THE FLOWERS IN THE ALTAR VASES are to the Glory of God, in loving memory of grandfather James Rhoades by Samantha Rhodes, and grandfather Irvin Moyer, by Samantha Rhodes.

THE FLOWERS IN THE FLOOR VASES are to the Glory of God, in loving memory of Milford D. Foose by daughter, Bonnie Jean, and granddaughter, Stephanie.

THE ARRANGEMENT OF FLOWERS is to the Glory of God, and in loving memory of father, John Rhodes, by Samantha.

DEAR PEOPLE OF GOD,

Thank you for marking and celebrating the fortieth anniversary of my ordination. The wonderful service of worship pointed well beyond me to God's grace, and the joy that we all shared in worship and then in the reception was a great gift as well. Mary and I also thank the planners and coordinators who brought everything together. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Peace, Pastor Rowe

THANK YOU to our hard working Property Committee for all the landscaping work done around the church. Thanks to our hard working volunteers, our church grounds look beautiful.

TEMPLE TALKS are being given to lift up the vital ministry and partnership of the wider church. We celebrate the broader expression of the church that does everything from overseeing and caring for pastors and congregations, to planting new churches, to training leaders, to standing with and feeding the poor and marginalized, to sending missionaries to partner churches throughout the world. Through prayers and offerings, this work of God is supported by us, and this year (unlike many years) we seek not only to come close to our goal for Mission Support (benevolence) offerings, but to meet and exceed that goal. Please join our leaders in giving even more generously to mission support!

\$75,000! Thanks to your generous and faithful giving to the four-year capital appeal for the new roof and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system, we have not only been able to make our monthly payments toward the fifteen-year

loan, we have now been able to put an additional \$75,000 down to accelerate repayment and to save significant interest over the life of the loan – all the while keeping a healthy reserve in the appeal fund in the event of an emergency or economic downturn.

CHURCH OFFICE CLEAN UP. We are trying to find a good home for the large wooden set of drawers back by the copier. The drawers are 63" long, 56 ½" high, and 26" deep. If you are interested in the drawers, feel free to look them over after the service. The drawers are free, but we do ask that you do the hauling and transporting of the drawers. Thank you.

PARKING LOT WORSHIPPERS, if the heat of your car is too much. Feel free to bring a lawn chair under the shade of the cloister walk. You will be able to hear the service from the outdoor speaker.

ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORSHIPS are available for Sunday, July 11th and Sunday, July 25th. If you are interested please contact the church office. Thanks!

OUR HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM now purifies the air with ions. When the air circulates, the ions kill viruses and molds, and also more efficiently filters out pollen. Ionization in ventilation is now being installed or built into schools (like the new Blue Mountain Elementary) and hospitals. We are grateful for this technology, which together with vaccines and selective masking, further reduces infection, while improving air quality.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:

TODAY 8:00am Worship

10:30am Worship

TUESDAY 5:30pm Child Care Staff Meeting

6:30pm Child Care Committee Meeting

WENESDAY 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Property Committee

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"...²⁸just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

~Matthew 20:28, NRSV

As we try to return to "normal" worship, we need to add new volunteers to our worship volunteer pool. Roles that have disappeared during the pandemic, such as, lector and communion assistant are now coming back. If you are willing to serve the church with your talents and become an active part in ministry please let us know we can add you to our volunteer pool. Please fill out this form and turn it into the church office. Thank you!

Worship Roles: Usher, Greeter, Assisting Minister, Lector, Communion Assistant, Video person, Sound Board, Altar Guild, Offering Counter, Newsletter Assembler, and Acolyte.

I/we_____ would like to serve as a