

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*8<sup>TH</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

**July 19, 2026**

**Eleven O'Clock**

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast  
Liturgist: Bill Gast

## **PRELUDE:**

## **CHIMING THE HOUR**

**GREETINGS** Psalm 118 says: **This is the Day that the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Good morning and welcome. It is so nice to see all of you here this morning. Visitors, please sign the attendance registers located in each row.**

**Please stand, in body or spirit, and join me in our Call to Worship and remain standing through the the Assurance of Pardon**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Responsively)

Leader: **Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.**

People: **I will praise the Lord as long as I live.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

**Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer**

**\*OPENING PRAYER** **Father, we come before You with adoration and praise. In Your presence, we rejoice. We call upon Your name, and long to be with You all the days of our lives. Amen.**

**Our first hymn today is:**

**\*HYMN** No. 35 *"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"* LOBE DEN HERREN

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** **If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves. Let us confess our sins before Almighty God.**

**Let us pray together**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, we are humbled by Your majesty and stand in awe in the presence of our God. We are a sinful people, striving to do what is right, but failing and falling short of Your glory. We take, when we ought to give. We struggle to provide for others when our own lives seem too hard. Forgive us when we fail to live up to Your commands. Give us strength to continue the struggle to be the people You call us to be. (Say – **"Please pray silently,"** and after about 20 seconds, say,) In Jesus' name, Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: **Believe the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

People: Thanks be to God!

**You may be seated**

**A TIME FOR YOUTH** It is now time for youth, do we have any youth that would like to come forward?

**Please bow your heads for our Prayer for Illumination**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** Lord, open our minds and hearts so that we may hear and understand Your words for our world. Give us wisdom and discernment as we apply Your Scripture to our everyday lives. Amen.

**PSALTER LESSON** Our Psalter Lesson comes from Psalm 86:11-17, please read it responsively with me.

Leader: Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere Your name.

People: I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify Your name forever.

Leader: For great is Your steadfast love toward me; You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

People: O God, the insolent rise up against me; a band of ruffians seeks my life, and they do not set You before them.

Leader: But You, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

People: Turn to me and be gracious to me; give Your strength to Your servant; save the child of Your maidservant.

Leader: Show me a sign of Your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame,

People: because You, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Our Old Testament Lesson comes from Genesis 28:10-19a, you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 25 of the Old Testament

**Genesis 28:10-19a**

**Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place--and I did not know it!" And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."**

**So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at the first.**

**Leader: The Word of the Lord.**

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**The choir will now sing the Anthem:**

**ANTHEM:** "Give Thanks" arr. Henry Smith

**GOSPEL LESSON** Our Gospel Lesson comes from Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 14 & 15 of the New Testament

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**SERMON**

Rev. Janet Boyanton

**Those who are able, please stand and join with me in singing:**

**\*HYMN** No. 286 "*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*" TRENTHAM

**Please join me in Affirmation of Faith as it is printed in your bulletin.**

**\*AFFIRMATION** The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**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 and 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.**

**\*RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 581 “*Glory Be to the Father*” 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.

**You may be seated**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** It is time for announcements, does anybody have an announcement they would like to make?

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY** And now it is time for our Prayer Concerns and Celebrations. Does anybody have anything they would like to share?

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### **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

### **OFFERTORY:**

**\*RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 606 “*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*”

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Let us come to God with our prayer of Thanksgiving**

### **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Lord, we thank You for all Your blessings. We have an abundance of things we barely notice. We live our lives, surrounded by material possessions, and sometimes we still want more. We are thankful for all of the gifts that come from You, the gift of love, the gift of family, the gift of Your Son who came that we may have a closer relationship with You. Bless those gifts that we return to You for Your work in this world. Amen.

**Our last Hymn today is:** **\*HYMN** No. 836 vs. 1-3 “*Abide in Me*” EVENTIDE

### **\*BENEDICTION**

### **\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 80 “*You Shall Go Out with Joy*” THE TREES OF THE FIELD

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;

there’ll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**\*POSTLUDE:**

**\*Those who are able may stand.**

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## Daily Bread

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### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

**THURSDAY** – 10:00 AM Art Group

**NEXT SUNDAY** –

09:45 AM Choir Practice

10:15 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Thomas Alexander – please continue to pray

Jim Glander

The church and nation of Ukraine

DeSoto Food Pantry

Chikezie is very weak

Christians in Pakistan

Joan Christy – continued prayers

Travel mercies for Pat and Cecil as they travel to Scotland and back home

### CELEBRATIONS

Brayden made the Dean's List