ORDER OF WORSHIP

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Disability Inclusion Sunday

<u>September 14, 2025</u>

Eleven O'Clock

Greeters: Elizabeth Price and Lori Gast Liturgist: Pat Nash

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 Assurance of Pardon

*CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)

Leader: Create in me a clean heart, O God,

People: and put a new and right spirit within me.

All: Let us worship God.

Please bow your heads for our Opening Prayer

*OPENING PRAYER God of power and justice, like Jeremiah You weep over those who wander from You, turn aside to other gods, and enter into chaos and destruction. By Your tears and through Your mercy, teach us Your ways and write them on our hearts so that we may follow faithfully the path You show us. Amen.

Our first hymn today is:

*HYMN No 634 "To God Be the Glory" TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*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, hear our prayers forgiveness. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Thou our intentions are good we are weak people who are often led astray. Be with us Lord, when we face temptation, and give strength to hold fast to what we believe. Forgive us when we fail in our weakness, for we know you are a just and loving God who is worthy of all worship and praise. (Say – "Please pray silently," and after about 20 seconds, say, Amen) Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ, 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 At this time would our youth please come forward

Please bow your heads for our Prayer for Illumination

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Lord, enlighten us with a mind for You. Grant us wisdom as we listen to Your words and help us apply those words to our own lives. Amen.

PSALTER LESSON Our Psalter Lesson comes from <u>Psalm 51:1-10</u>, please read it responsively with me.

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions.

People: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

Leader: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

People: Against You, You alone, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You are justified in Your sentence and blameless when You pass judgment.

Leader: Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

People: You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret

Leader: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

People: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that You have crushed rejoice.

Leader: Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out my iniquities.

People: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Our Old Testament Lesson comes from <u>Exodus 32:7-14</u> you may follow along in your pew Bibles on pages 78-79 of the Old Testament

Exodus 32:7-14

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

The choir will now sing the Anthem:

ANTHEM: "Mercy Flows"

GOSPEL LESSON Our Gospel Lesson comes from Luke 15:1-10 you may follow along in your pew Bibles on page 78 of the New Testament

Luke 15:1-10

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable:

"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices.

And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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. 475 "Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing" NETTLETON

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.

Please join me in our prayer of Thanksgiving

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Redeeming Sustainer, visit Your people and pour out Your strength and courage upon us, that we may hurry to make You welcome not only in our concerns for others, but by serving them generously and faithfully in Your name. Amen.

Our last Hymn today is:

*HYMN No. 661 "Why Should I Feel Discouraged (His Eye is on the Sparrow)" SPARROW

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE:

Hymn No. 542 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" GOD BE WITH YOU God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*POSTLUDE:

*Those who are able may stand.

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY – 10:00 AM Art Group NEXT SUNDAY

10:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We are going to have our Annual Congregational Meeting has been moved to October 12 near the end of our Worship Service. All our members are asked to stay for the meeting, non-members are welcome to stay, or they can go to the Opportunity Corner and wait for the meeting to end.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our Leaders

Our Presbytery, our church, our Session

Our Troops

Thomas Alexander – please continue to pray

Jim Glander

Martha Brashear – continued prayers

The church and nation of Ukraine

DeSoto Food Pantry

Chikezie is very weak

Christians in Pakistan

Joan Christy – continued prayers

Mireille asks for prayers for the leadership in Cameroon, they are killing innocent people who are just trying to leave the country

Lori's friend Steve Rangel has been sent home for hospice care, his doctor says he only has about a week left.

Lorrinda Alexander is home, but still needs our prayers

Alice Anne's mom fell and broke her femur and her arm. Please pray for her mom and her sister who is there helping her

Janet Boyanton needs our prayers

CELEBRATIONS

Makia and Mireille have a new car and can come to church more often