

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude – *Joyful Prelude*

Rosalie Bonighton

Prayer of Preparation (*you may prepare for worship by praying silently*)

Holy God, our guide and home, you sent Jesus, your living Word, to show us your wisdom and grace. Now send us out to be a sign of your healing power and love so that all may believe the gospel; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Jacob Suttle

Call to Worship (responsive)

Jesus has called us to this place

to hear the word of the Lord.

Jesus will send us from this place

to bring good news to the world.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn of Praise 757 – *Today We Are Called to Be Disciples*

* Call to Confession

We no longer regard one another from a human point of view, for Christ has died for all, to save us from sin and death. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You sent prophets to teach us, but we have not listened to them. You sent your Son to save us, but we ignore your living Word. Forgive us, God of grace. By your power at work within us remove our faithlessness and restore our faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(time for silent confession)

* Declaration of Forgiveness (responsive)

If you are in Christ, you are a new creation. Everything old has passed away; now everything is made new! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

* The Congregation's Response: *Gloria Patri* Hymn 581

**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.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Time with Children

Katie Ginn

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, send us your Spirit to guide us into the truth, so that we may know and trust the good news of the gospel, and look with hope and joy for the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading – Ezekiel 2:1-5

pew Bible pg. 673

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *Give Me Jesus*

Moses Hogan

Michael Ginn, soloist

Second Reading – Mark 6:1-13

pew Bible pg. 817

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon – *Do You Recognize Him?*

Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

* Hymn of Thanksgiving 726 – *Will You Come and Follow Me*

* Affirmation of Faith: (responsive)

Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism, Question 2

How do you live by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ?

I am not my own. I have been bought with a price. The Lord Jesus Christ loved me and gave himself for me. I entrust myself completely to his care, giving thanks each day for his wonderful goodness.

Prayers of the People (responsive)

In the communion of the Holy Spirit, we call on the name of the Lord, saying: By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

We pray for the church . . . Let the power of Christ dwell within us, turning our weakness into your strength, turning our guilt into your grace. By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

We pray for the world . . . Strengthen us, through your word, to stand up to oppressive powers and stand alongside those who are oppressed. By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

We pray for this community . . . Teach us to honor the prophets among us—even those from our own hometowns—listening when they speak your truth. By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

We pray for loved ones . . . Have mercy on all who are suffering, reach out to them with kindness and nourish them through your love. By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

Gracious God, continue to pour out your power in the church, in the world, and in our daily lives, so all will know that you are at work among us; through Jesus Christ, our living Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Invitation to Offering

Consider the generosity of our Lord Jesus Christ, who—though he was rich—for our sakes became poor. With gratitude for the grace of Jesus Christ, let us offer our lives to God.

Offertory – *King of Peace*

Christopher Tambling

* The Doxology – Hymn 606

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.

* Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Generous God, we give you thanks for all your blessings to us. Use these gifts we offer as a sign of your great love for the world, so that all may know and share the abundance of your grace; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn of Consecration 298 – *Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

* Blessing and Charge (responsive)

May the blessing of the Trinity—holy, holy, holy Lord—be with you now and always.

Alleluia!

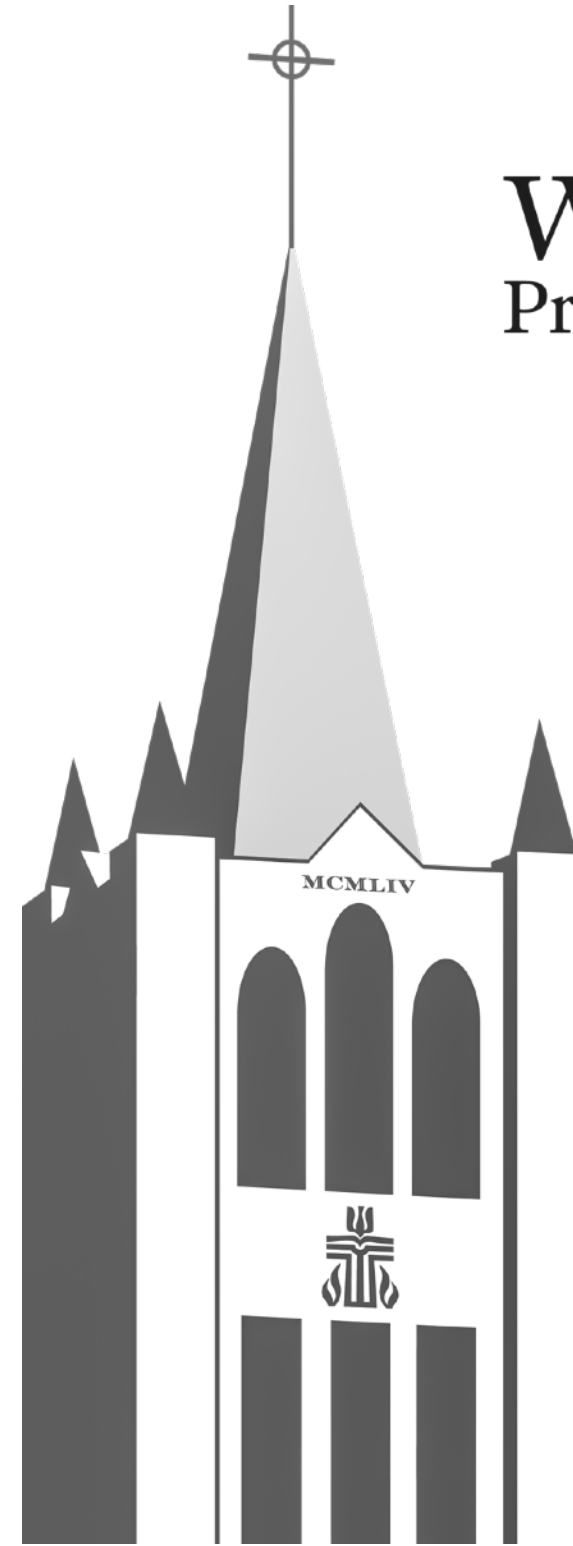
Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” **And I said, “Here I am; send me!” Amen.**

* Postlude – *Triumphal March*

G. F. Handel



* Please stand at the * as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**.
The liturgy for this service was drawn from the *Book of Common Worship* (2018)
and *Call to Worship Lectionary Aids for 2014-2015, Year B*.



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“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation—everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!”

II Corinthians 5:17

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PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

(* new added prayers)

**Ann Aldridge – Bedford Care for rehab*

Terri Banks, friend of Pam Love – at home with 24 hour care

Linda Basden, neighbor of Janeil Harris – Alzheimer's

Jan Bozeman – constant pain

**Jack Burke, friend of Alice Crotwell – metastatic bone cancer*

Deena Crawford, B.J. Lambert's daughter – peace and comfort after diagnosis

Laura Pearce Cureton, Nancy Johnson's goddaughter – nerve block therapy continues

Vida Davis, sister of Ruthie Davis – dementia

**Cindy Dawson, Catherine Sampson's daughter – at home following successful transplant*

Cathy Dudley – Bedford Care (Medical Blvd)

Bill and Louise Edwards, friends of Charles Brown – strength and endurance

Teresa Ginn, Michael Ginn's aunt – dementia

Anderson Hembree, son of a friend of Nancy Johnson – prayers for successful physical therapy

Charlotte Hill – prayers for transition to Ohio

**Keith Hill, friend of the Reidenbach's – upcoming surgery.*

Ann Johnson

Geraldine Jones

Roger Kuyrkendall, Carrie Creel's father – Alzheimer's

B.J. Lambert – strength and endurance

**Betty Mitchell – hip replacement recovery*

Glenn Nobles – endurance and strength

**Cala Raborn – prayers for healing of broken bones*

Fergus Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's nephew – severe pain

Dena Faye Robertson, Glenn Nobles' sister – hospice for Alzheimer's

Joe Stennett, friend of the Reidenbach's – upcoming surgery and health concerns

Laura Todd, Grayson Rayborn's cousin – multiple health issues

Louise Traxler, Karen Reidenbach's mom – Bedford Care (Medical Blvd)

**Elizabeth Robinson, Betty & Bill Mitchell's daughter – throat cancer surgery*

Dr. Joe Washburn, Jan Bozeman's doctor – cancer, taking chemo

Daris Valetine, music director and pianist at Pineview – lost his house and car in a fire

Rose Marie Yore—severe back pain

Sandra Young, mother of a friend of Carolyn McLarnan – on hospice



Greeting and Announcements

Welcome to Westminster! We're very glad to see you in worship. We hope you will sense Christ's presence. If you are looking for a place to grow and serve, we'd love to tell you more about us. Please silence cell phones during the worship hour.



The July/August Today devotionals are on the narthex cabinet.

Brown Bag Bible Study will meet on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet on Thursday at 7:00 a.m. at Loblolly Bakery.

You are cordially invited to

Jackson Creel's organ recital.

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Sunday, July 14 at 4:00 p.m.

Intergeneration Bible School at Westminster is June 14, 15, and 16. Supper will be served at 5:30 p.m., and activities will follow. Make plans to attend.

Breadbasket volunteers are needed.

Westminster has Breadbasket July 15-18. Please call Martha (601) 584-7574 to volunteer.



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