

### Sunday, August 17, 2025

Prayer candles are available at the communion rail Financial gifts may be made in the wooden offering boxes Please silence your electronic devices

### THE GATHERING & CARILLON PRELUDE

#### THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Great is thy Faithfulness

Christa Rakich

#### THE CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Liturgist Children of God, we gather. **We gather to worship,** 

to encounter grace, to grow in faith.

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For the sake of love, we proclaim.

We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ,

the love of God that surrounds us and forms us into a community marked by love for God, self, neighbor, and all creation.

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For the sake of faith, we respond.

We respond with our lives, ready to embody our faith as agents of God's already-and-not-yet kingdom.

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For the sake of the world, God sends us.

God sends us into the world to meet our neighbors with the defiant joy and persevering love of the gospel today and every day.

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Come, let us worship the Triune God who dwells with us as we gather, proclaim, respond and go forth from this place.

Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God. AMEN.

### THE ENTRANCE HYMN\*

UMH #710

Faith of Our Fathers

#### THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION\*

Liturgist

Being human, we never find it easy to ask for forgiveness. But as God's children, called to live in relationship with one another, we know we must speak of how we have hurt others, so we might be forgiven and restored to new life. Please join me as we pray to God, saying,

What more can we say, Expectant God, that you don't know already?

You long for justice for all people, but it is washed away by the flood of violence in our world.

You hope that righteousness will walk with us,

but you hear the clear cries of those we mistreat.

You ask us to speak up for those in need, but we shut our mouths and turn away. Forgive us, Righteous God.

Have mercy when we do not bear the fruit we could.

Even though we have not lived our faith to the fullest.

may we receive the promises of hope and grace you have given to us in Christ Jesus, our Lord. AMEN.

#### THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

Pastor

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Christ

AMEN.

THE GLORIA PATRI\*

UMH #70

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE PSALM

Psalm 80: 1 - 2, 8 - 19

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY\*

UMH #94

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 11: 29 - 12: 2

THE MESSAGE The Reverend Don Ackerman For the Sake of Us

THE CLOSING HYMN\*

UMH #701

When We All Get To Heaven

THE BENEDICTION\*

THE POSTLUDE George Frideric Handel Festal March from Rinaldo

> \* - Please stand as you are able UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal

#### PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Reverend Don Ackerman Pastor

> **Becky Hall** Liturgist

Julie Smith Director of Children's Ministries

Christopher Dazey Organist, Pianist & Carillonneur

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## **Crossroads Community Action**

Our Next Meeting: Sunday, August 24

11:15 am - Wesley Hall

See Megan Smith for details Everyone is welcome!

## **Fall Newsletter**

**Deadline: NEXT SUNDAY, August 24** 

Submit your Fall activities and other announcements to Christopher Dazey: christopher@crossroads120.org

## **Gibbs Resumes**

Friday, August 29 · 2:00 pm

Our Gibbs food ministry is starting up again for the new school year! New volunteers are always welcome! Just show up, we'll put you to work!



To help keep our sacred space clean, at the conclusion of the service, please return this bulletin to one of the wooden tables located throughout the sanctuary