

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

★ *Please stand if it is comfortable to do so*

August 10, 2025

9:15 am

GATHERING MUSIC

Marilyn Arland

WELCOME

Josh McDonald

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

★ *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD 100TH

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise Him, all crea-tures here be - low;
Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

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★ *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

ST. ANNE

1. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come, our
2. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come, be
shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home!
Thou - our guard while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

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★ PASTORAL PRAYER

Carrie Veal

CHILDREN'S TIME

Annie Bray

All children are invited to come forward. Following Children's Time,
all children who are returning to the Children's Wing are invited to room #107.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Wisdom holds us in her heart.
She calls us as partners in the gospel of Christ.

Jesus grew in wisdom and understanding.
**We pray for blessings on these students, teachers, parents,
and all partners in education.**

Learning is a gift from God, freely offered to all.
With gratitude we accept this gift.

May our learning increase our understanding, that our lives might yield right.
And our Lord's wisdom awaken the song of creation.

O daughters and sons, turn your faces to Wisdom.
May she keep us and lead us in our homes and classrooms as in heaven.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Marge Kemp

Genesis 15:1-6

¹ After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵ He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." ⁶ And he believed the Lord, and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God!

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

SHOWALTER



1. What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;
2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;
3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms?



What a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near, Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

CHORUS



Lean - ing, lean - ing Safe and se - cure from all a - larms; Lean - ing, lean - ing Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

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Because He Lives

RESURRECTION



Be - cause He lives I can face to - mor - row; Be - cause He lives, all fear is gone. Be - cause I



know He holds the fu - ture, and life is worth the liv - ing just be - cause He lives.

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EPISTLE READING

Marge Kemp

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. ⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the sea-shore." ¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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Thanks be to God!

Ebenezer
by Heather Sorenson

There's a place of sacred mem'ry,
there's a stone that bears my name on an altar in a wasteland with a promise I can claim.
There's a field of broken arrows, once my battleground of shame.
It's a place I go to visit, but I place I'll never stay.

Here I raise my Ebenezer.
Here by heaven's grace I've come to this landmark of redemption where healing has begun.
Here I build this sacred altar as a tribute of Your might.
May this shrine now be my fortress, and this pillar be my light.

There's a place that to the others looks like nothing more than loss.
But this field of stone and rubble is the place I find my cross.
I find my cross. Oh, I find my cross.

Here I raise my Ebenezer.
Here by heaven's grace I've come to this landmark of redemption where healing has begun.
Here I kneel, my heart surrendered, at this wall of sacred stones.
Here I lay down ev'ry idol, and the fear of the unknown.

There's a landmark of redemption,
There's a pillar of Your grace where I kneel and I remember salvation in this place.

PROCLAMATION

Carrie Veal

Rooted in Memory, Growing in Hope

COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Table of Our Lord.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

You are invited to dedicate your life to Christ, join our faith community,
or answer a call from God to do ministry in this world by coming forward
during the hymn and share this decision with a pastor.

★ *Jesus, at Your Holy Table*

BEACH SPRING

1. Je - sus, at Your ho - ly ta - ble, may our hearts u - nit - ed be.
2. Lift your hearts and raise your voic - es, cel - e - brate this won - drous love.

Bind us with Your grace and pres - ence that re - deem and set us free.
Join the cho - rus with all Chris - tians, and with saints who live a - bove.

Cru - ci - fy our pride and ha - tred, light the path on which we walk.
Si - lent lips now sing with glad - ness, blind - ed eyes are filled with sight.

Teach us how to love each oth - er, in the way that You have taught.
Je - sus' love has pierced our dark - ness, bro't us home to peace and light.

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★ OFFERTORY PRAYER

Mark McBrayer

OFFERTORY

Rolando Orta

How Great Thou Art

★ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please share the peace with those near you.

★ *The Trees of the Field*

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

★ PASTORAL BENEDICTION

Carrie Veal

Following this worship gathering, please join us in the Grand Hall for a time of fellowship, connection and coffee. We do ask that all cups in the building have lids. At 10:30, there are Sunday school classes for children, youth, and adults. We invite you to visit a discipleship group today.

TODAY

COFFEE DUTY - Souljourners Class

9:15 am: Worship & Livestream

10:30 am: Sunday School / Bible Study / Youth Ministry

6:00 pm: Second Chance Al-Anon - Room #134

6:30 pm: Swim Party at Sun 'n Fun

MONDAY, August 11

7:00 am: Jesus and Grits @ Chicken Run Cafe

TUESDAY, August 12

6:30 am: Tuesday Morning Prayer Breakfast @ Chicken Run Café

11:00 am: B & B Book Club Meeting - Hope Class Room #123

6:00 pm: Learn to Play Mahjong - Room #130

WEDNESDAY, August 13

10:00 am: Beginners Bridge - Room #130

10:30 am: Low Vision Support Group - Circle Class Room #125

2:00 pm: Senior Adult Fellowship - Room #130

Day Class - Learn to Play Mahjong - Room #130

4:00 pm: Prayer Shawl Ministry - Conference Center

6:00 pm: Church Conference - Grand Hall

6:30 pm: Orchestra Rehearsal

7:00 pm: Second Voices Rehearsal

THURSDAY, August 14

10:00 am: Living Well Yoga Classes - Grand Hall

WE TAKE SERIOUSLY OUR MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Prayer cards are available. Please place your filled out card and offerings in the box on the rear wall of the Worship Hall or place in the offering plate as it is passed during worship.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR USE.

Please ask an usher for assistance as you enter the sanctuary for worship.

Every Member a Minister

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