

GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER

Ruby McGuill

WELCOME / OPENING PRAYER

CHORAL INTROIT

“Joyful Noise”

by Pepper Choplin

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus went to the grave for our sins and salvation.

All: **We thank you Lord for all you have done for us.**

One: We rise and live a new life in Him, putting our old self behind.

All: **Thank you, Lord, for the new self you have made possible for us.**

One: You have made it possible for our sins to be wiped away and not rule over us.

All: **Thank you, Lord, for allowing our hearts and minds to follow your teaching and directions making us whole in you.**

HYMN, W & S # 3110

“By Grace We Have Been Saved ”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior who saves us from our sin and breathes new life into us. We believe if we have died with Christ, we shall also live with Him. We strive to live a life dead to sin, but alive in Jesus Christ. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

BLESS YOUR NEIGHBORS

The close of this time is signaled by singing the Gloria Patri.

GLORIA PATRI, #33

HYMN, # 572

“Amazing Grace”

MESSAGE

Wanted: Dead and Alive

Pastor David

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Communion Music: # 406

“Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace”

GIVING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY & DOXOLOGY

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INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Those wishing to join, please come forward during next hymn

CLOSING HYMN, # 642

“All the Sacrifice Is Ended”

BENEDICTION

SENDING OUT,

“My Chains Are Gone”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR RAIL: your special donations left on the communion rail or the Narthex giving box supports Feed The Need (a local ministry serving free Monday night dinners on the square).

SUNDAY MORNINGS: come to the fellowship hall after worship for coffee & refreshments before Sunday school time at 10:15am.

CHOIR & BELLS PRACTICE: Bells practice Wednesdays at 5:30pm in Room 15. Choir follows at 7:00pm in the choir loft. See Nancy Hajek about joining these groups.

SHOEBOXES AT THE FAIR: Thank you for supporting our booth. Volunteers needed for tear down tomorrow at 9:00am. Shoeboxes are delivered to poor children around the world.

TUESDAY NITE LIVE: Dinner & Bible study resumes on Sept. 15. A catered dinner starts at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner is free. We also begin an 8 week Bible study on the book of James. Student books are \$12 and are available now in the narthex or church office.

FRIENDS ‘N FELLOWSHIP: is a ministry for all adults. It meets at 5:30pm on Thursday, Sep. 10, for dinner & guest retired FBI Special Agent David Smith. In honor of 9/11, David will be sharing stories, adventures, and a Q&A about his illustrious military and FBI careers spanning 30 years.

CHILDRENS’ PROGRAMS: **Girls in the Middle** for 3rd - 8th grade girls starts Mon., Sep 14. **Delta Club** for 1st - 4th grade girls & boys starts Thurs., Sep. 17. Sign-ups are available in the narthex and fellowship hall. Call Sarah Janisch at 936-645-8787 or church office.

CHURCH APP: Download our **“Ministry One”** app to access our church directory, calendar, sermons, sign-ups, and news & announcements. You can even submit prayer requests or make online donations. It is easy to use, safe, and useful. It has received major updates.

CRAFT SHOW: Saturday, November 21 in our Fellowship Hall. Friends & Fellowship asks for donations of handmade craft items that can be sold to help support their ministry. Many other vendors will be on hand selling their items. All are welcome to attend.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES: our prayer team meets at 2:00pm on Wednesdays in the conference room. We have a prayer quilt hanging on the wall outside of the side doors of the sanctuary. There are instructions on how to pin your prayer requests to the quilt. **Community Prayer Group** meets today in the annex building at Redimidos por Christo Church, 131 S. College, LG.

CONFERENCE LEADERSHIP: The Global Methodist Church’s General Conference elected our new Bishop: Johnathan Lee. Leah Hidde-Gregory will serve as our Superintendent.

As Disciples of Jesus Christ...We Pray For:

- *For our Military & their families
- *Nursing Home & Homebound members
- *Orvel Hill (pancreatic cancer)
- *Sandy Hinman (leukemia diagnosis)
- *Heidi Stone (healing mercies)
- *Dana Hall (ongoing health issues)
- *Twila Thurman (chemo treatments)
- *Ed Murphy (healing mercies & protection)
- *Janice Alexander (strengthening of right leg)
- *Larry Joost (at Avir)
- *Linda Childers (healing mercies)
- *Barbara & Frank Walla (healing mercies)
- *Marie Allen & Bill Wegmann (healing mercies)
- *Stephanie Bunch (healing from a brain tumor)
- *Jack Anderson (ongoing health issues)
- *Sandra Anderson (healing of broken sternum)
- *Randall Slinkard (healing from stroke)
- *E.J. and Beverly Gray (healing mercies)
- *Brea Laudano (wisdom and discernment)

For Our Extended Family:

- *Sympathy to the Gilliam Family in the loss of Paula
- *Adam Lively (Maxine Ballard's son-in-law, healing mercies)
- *Cathy Gillentine (struggling with COPD)
- *Michael Ballard (cancer treatments)
- *Mark Gillentine (fighting cancer)
- *Sheila Traybig (Stage 4 colon cancer)
- *Merry Douberly (healing mercies)
- *Ron Boggess (Sarah Janisch's dad, bone cancer)
- *Marvin Alexander (healing mercies)
- *Don Wilson (Sam Wilson's father, fighting cancer)
- *Darek Tomgenovich (Bill Wegmann's son-in-law, stage 3 kidney cancer)
- *Jonny Ballard (Maxine Ballard's grandson, healing mercies)

Birthdays

- *Andy Smith (9.6); *Ray Thurman (9.6);
- *Sally Garrett (9.10); *Lynn Pyburn (9.10);
- *Cindy Coleman (9.11)

Anniversaries

- *Luke & Kristen Carden (9.10)

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JOINING THE CHURCH...

We treasure the opportunity to be your church and invite you to consider joining through one of the ways listed below. Questions? Talk with Pastor Andy: andy@newlifelg.org Cell: 830-203-0881

- _____ by **Transferring** your membership from your current church.
- _____ by **Profession of Faith:** declare your belief in Jesus Christ and commitment to His church.

A second baptism is **NOT** necessary, but if you have never been baptized, please contact Pastor Andy to make arrangements.

- _____ by **Restoration:** for former members of this congregation who wish to renew their commitment to commitment to Christ's Church.

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN CHRIST'S CHURCH TODAY

(Come Forward during the final song and give this information to the Pastor)

NAME (S):

Former Church: _____

You will be asked to faithfully respond to these questions:

1. Do you confess Jesus Christ as Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord?
2. Will you be loyal to Christ's church and strengthen its ministries by your prayers, presence, gifts, service, & witness?

Celebration of Worship
September 6, 2026

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Nursery available throughout Sunday morning.
Childcare provided by Noreen Dopslauf & Martha Galindo