



*Saints are great teachers,  
primarily because they  
teach with their actions  
as much as their words.*

*Sunday Worship  
August 7, 2022  
Draw near to God  
for God is waiting for you.*

\* indicates where the congregation is to stand if able  
*italic type is spoken by the liturgist – bold is spoken by the congregation*

**HYMN SING**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*We praise our Creator God:*

**Blessing and honor, glory and power!**

*Let each single voice praise God:*

**Blessing and honor, glory and power!**

*Let all voices together praise God:*

**Blessing and honor, glory and power!**

*Let the great multitude of nations praise God:*

**Blessing and honor, glory and power!**

*With all creation we praise God:*

**Blessing and honor, glory and power!**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Most Gracious God we greet you once again in this sacred space. We have come because we need to be reminded of your love and your expectations for our living. We are like the vine you planted, watered and protected. We know in our hearts that we need, want and desire your presence in our lives. So we come in prayer and listen for your Word to speak to our hearts and reveal again your desires for us. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #369**

1. Blessing and honor and glory and power, wisdom and riches and strength evermore,  
be to the Lamb who our battle has won, whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.
2. Let all the heavens sound forth Jesus' name; let all the earth sing his glory and fame.  
Ocean and mountain stream, forest, and flower echo these praises and tell of God's power.
3. Ever ascending the song and the joy, ever descending the love from on high;  
blessing and honor and glory and praise: this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
4. Give me the glory and praise to the Lamb; take we the robe and the harp and the psalm;  
sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain, dying in weakness but rising to reign.

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND BROKENESS**

**God of healing mercies, we come to you this day as imperfect people. We know that you desire for us hope, happiness, and love, yet we have found so many ways in which to block your gifts, or to grab hold of them as if we were entitled to them. We have been given the pathway to peace in the witness of Jesus Christ. He taught us to live as people of compassion and service. But our service has been mostly for ourselves, for our own gratification. We have failed to be your church, your witnesses on earth. We have**

neglected the needs of others in our rush for our own comfort. Forgive us, O merciful God. Heal our wounded spirits. Turn us again to you, that we may again learn of your love and mercy. Help us to become partners in peace and hope for others. For we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND BLESSING***

... Remember the good news and say it aloud: Jesus died for me. Jesus forgives me. Jesus loves me. Jesus is good to me. Amen.

***\*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.

***FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON*** Isaiah 5:1-7

***TIME WITH THE CHILDREN***

***\*HYMN #846*** Fight the Good Fight

1. Fight the good fight with all thy might. Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.  
Lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.

2. Run the straight race through God's good grace; lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.  
Life with its way before us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

3. Cast care aside; lean on thy guide. God's boundless mercy will provide.  
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

4. Faint not nor fear: Gods arms are near. God changeth not, and thou art dear.  
Only believe, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee.

***SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON*** Hebrews 11:29-12:2

***SERMON*** Halos Among Us

***RECOGNITION OF THE OFFERING***

***\*DOXOLOGY***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION***

God of our ancestors, God of our here and now, your laws are timeless and whose ways empower the church, we bring to you the results of our labors. We would recognize all our moments and days as precious gifts from you. We dedicate ourselves anew to the fulfilling of your will through all you entrust to us, not just through the portion we here return. Bless all that the church seeks to accomplish in Christ's name. Amen.

***JOYS AND CONCERNS***

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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.

***\*HYMN #749*** Come! Live in the Light!

1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

*REFRAIN:* We are called to act with justice; we are called to love tenderly;  
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

2. Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!  
We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and violence will be no more. *Refrain*

3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!  
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love. *Refrain*

**\*BENEDICTION**  
**POSTLUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS: August 7, 2022.**

This week's carillon is in memory of Jack Fawcett.

Today our Flowers are given in memory of Joseph Fraser from Sally Thiessen.

Today's music is provided by Maggie Realley on the organ. Thank you Maggie who is filling in for Leanne Yerkes.

**PASTOR SU'S VACATION:** Pastor Su will be on vacation from August 8 – September 4. Pastoral needs are being met by either the current serving deacons and elders. Please contact either Marilyn Cook (484-688-4618) or Maggie Rash (215-534-4451).

**CHURCH PICNIC AT THE RASH'S:**

It's summer and time to be with friends by the pool at Maggie and Steve Rash's home. Following worship on August 14, walk or drive over to 3742 Lower Mountain Road. It's just a drive around the corner or a short walk through the woods at the corner of the parking lot by our nearest neighbor's yard. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Sit and chat or take a dip in the pool. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall or call the church office. Help with set-up and clean-up is also needed. The more the merrier!

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022 YOU ARE INVITED: Pollinator Palooza.** Time: 10 AM to 3 PM, Location: Heritage Conservancy's Jackson Pond Preserve. Parking: Forest Grove Presbyterian Church. Cost: \$5 per person / \$15 per family up to four members. This is a family-friendly festival celebrating pollinators and the beautiful transformation of the Jackson Pond Preserve. The event will feature games, crafts, art sales, plant giveaways, live music, and Kona Ice! Guided nature walks will be available throughout the day: 10:30 AM – "Walk and Talk" – Get your questions answered on how to install your own native plant garden/meadow. 11:30 AM; 12:30 PM and 1:30 PM – General Nature Walks Several local partners will be in attendance to provide additional informational and interactive activities.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** This week we are asking for either **Boxed crackers – whole grain or wheat or Dish soap.** You only need to choose one but feel free to bring as much as you like. Bring your item(s) to the church during the week or next Sunday morning. Donations are to be placed in the wagon located in the vestibule. Any and all donations of any kind are greatly appreciated!

<b>Calendar:</b>	<b>August 7</b>	10:00am	Worship Service followed by Fellowship.
	<b>August 8</b>	7:00 pm	Boys Scouts.
	<b>August 9</b>	6:00 pm	Beekeepers.
	<b>August 10</b>	12:00pm	Lunch Bunch then blanket making.
	<b>August 13</b>	9:00 am	Pollinator Palooza – at Jackson Pond

Elder of the Month: Pat Gessner    Deacon of the Month: Marilyn Cook

***In our thoughts and prayers:***

The Conner/Lang Family, Aleena Lang, Bill Wark, Raymond Tinari, Jim Turner, Linda Bowers, Mary Reinhardt,  
Sally Thiessen, Anna McQuaid, Dick Wright, Violet Sanders.

**Church Staff**

**Susan Fall, Pastor**

**Leanne Yerkes, Director of Music**

**Susan Flanagan, Office Administrator**

**Frank Orzechoski, Financial Manager**

**Mark Lempp, Grounds Keeper**

