

Sunday Worship July 7, 2024 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

However you travelled here today, (mime the way you travelled here or wish you had: car, bike, helicopter, surfboard etc...) Jesus says:

"Come in!"

However you're feeling here today, (mime the way you feel: tired, joyful, scared, curious, etc...) Jesus says:

"Come in!"

If you feel like making noise, (everyone make noise) Jesus says:

"Come in!"

If you feel like being quiet, (everyone say a soft "shhhhhh") Jesus says:

"Come in!"

If you're celebrating something great, (arms up shout "hooray") Jesus says:

"Come in!"

If you've made some big mistakes, (raise hands and say "whoops") Jesus says:

"Come in!"

If you want to meet with Jesus, (push middle finger into opposite palms) Jesus says:

"Come in!"

He joins us here as we gather together, Jesus says:

"Come in!"

OPENING PRAYER

Lord of peace and hope, we open our hearts to you this day. Be with us as we hear your words of inspiration and healing. Guide our hearts and spirits as we seek to be witnesses to your redeeming and reconciling love. In Jesus' name, we offer this prayer. Amen.

*HYMN #393 O Day of Rest and Gladness

- 1. O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light, O balm for care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright; on you, the high and lowly, through ages join in tune, sing "Holy, holy, holy" to the great God triune.
- 2. On you, at earth's creation the light first had its birth; on you,

for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth;

on you, our Lord victorious sent Spirit forth from heaven.

And thus on you, most glorious, a triple light was given.

3. On you, God's people, meeting, the Holy Scripture hear,

Christ's living presence greeting, through bread and wine made near.

New graces ever gaining from this our day of rest, we reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blest.

CALL TO CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND BROKENESS

Merciful and loving God, we are so grateful for your redeeming love for each one of us. We confess that there have been times of doubt in our spirits. We confess that when the times of difficulties are upon us, we don't always believe that you will take our burdens. We feel we have to always be in control, trying to demand the desired outcome. Help us to place our trust in you. Remind us that you surround us continually with your care, you never just let us go to drift aimlessly about. Open our hearts and spirits again to your healing powers. For we pray these things in the name of Jesus, the one who will take our burdens and give us peace. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND BLESSING

... 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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 91

TIME WITH THE CHILDEN

*HYMN #43 On Eagle's Wings

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life, say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain: And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine with the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

- 2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: under his wings, your refuge, his faithfulness your shield. *Refrain*
- 3. You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day; though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. *Refrain*
- 4. For to his angels he's given his command to guard you in all of your ways; upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. *Refrain*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 11:27-30

SERMON For the Weary Ones

CALL FOR THE OFFERING AND MOMENT OF FRIENDSHIP

OFFERTORY

*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

Almighty God, here is the work of our hands. Here is the love of our hearts. Bless these gifts and grant us spirits of generosity, joy and thanksgiving as we seek to do your will in the world. Amen.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SHARING THE ELEMENTS (please hold the bread and then the cup until we all commune together showing our unity in Christ)

UNISON PRAYER

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #833 O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go

- 1. O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.
- 2. O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.
- 3. O Joy that sleekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.
- 4. O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS, July 7, 2024

This week's carillon is in memory of George A. Smith. George was a faithful member of our church.

<u>SUNDAY, JULY 7:</u> Today at 1pm we will be carpooling together to the Welcome Church in Philadelphia. Through your contributions and those of Vacation Bible School we are providing snacks following their services. All are welcome to travel to this service with Pastor Su.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: This week we are asking for the following items: Unsweetened applesauce cups, dried fruits and no sodium canned vegetables. Donations are to be placed in the wagon found in the vestibule.

This week's calendar of events:

July	7	10:00 am Worship followed by Fellowship
		1:00 pm Welcome Church in Philadelphia
		4:00 pm Iglesia Pentecostal Asamblea De Dios Worship Service
July	8	7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 71 Meeting
July	9	9:00 am Garden Club – Flower Show
		6:00 pm Beekeepers Meeting
July 1	10	12:00 pm Bring your Brown bag lunch for Fellowship

Elder of the month: Donna Jencks
Ushers:
Deacon of the month: Merrily Henley
Fellowship: Martha Greenwood

Communion: Bill Wark, Maggie Rash, Merrily Henley

In our thoughts and prayers:

The Conner/Lang Family, Aleena Lang, Raymond Tinari, Jim Turner, Violet Sanders, Mary Lou Humlhanz, Pat Pizza, Kara Holton, Eloise Hyndman, David Posnett, Dick Wright, Shannon Foster, Jim Conner



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