

12th Sunday after Pentecost

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us - Ephesians 5:1 – 2a

GATHER JOYFULLY

Welcome, Announcements, Quiet Time

Pastor Bruce

*Call to Worship

Liturgist: Sue Ashcraft

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Leader: Let us worship God!

***Song** (wall) "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Hymn 482

*Prayer of Confession (Together)

O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, we are embarrassed to come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, for we have rebelled against your wisdom and have rejected your fatherly guidance. Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy. On the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.

*Words of Assurance

Leader: While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

People: Let us give thanks to God who forgives us our sin. Amen.

***Praise Response** (all sing) "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.

GROW SPIRITUALLY

Children's Message

Hannah Braun

(Children will go to Sunday school after the Children's Message.)

***Song** (wall) "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

Hymn 326

Prayer of God's People, Lord's Prayer, Choral Response

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.

Call for Offering

***Doxology** (together)

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

"Old Time Religion Medley"

Mark Hayes

Scripture

Psalms 34:1 - 8
Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2

NRSV

Message

"Imitating God"

Rev. Bruce D. Mulder

***Song** (wall)

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"

Hymn 341

GO FAITHFULLY

*Benediction

***Response** (all sing)

"Seek Ye First"

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness, And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia! Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

**Congregation stands. If standing is difficult, please remain seated.*

Large print bulletins are available. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

Listening devices are available. They are in the center entryway to the Sanctuary. A small step-by-step instruction page is there to help you.

August

Sunday – 12
10:15 Worship
10:30 Children's Sunday School (Rm 112)
Monday - 13
School Starts
9:00 Growing Tree Boo Hoo Breakfast (FH)
Tuesday - 14
Wednesday - 15
Thursday - 16
7:00 Choir (Choir Room)
7:00 OA (LIB)
Friday -17
Office Closed
Saturday - 18
10:00 OA (LIB)
Sunday – 19
10:15 Worship – Youth Sunday
10:30 Children's Sunday School (Rm 112)

PRAYERS

Dick & Iris T.	Mike C.	Delores G.
Bob B.	Kim	Chera D.
Kay	Jenna	Scott T.
Merv	Derek A.	Steve S.
Matt K.	Bill G.	Kathy B.
Gail K.	Jenny	Susan
Katharine		



The chancel flowers are from Rick and Pat Whissel to the Glory of God and in honor of Ginny Sewell's 90th Birthday.



Coffee, Cookies, and Conversation after Service in Fellowship Hall

August F.E.A.S.T. Items

- Canned Pasta
- Laundry Detergent
- Toilet Paper



Youth

8 - 19 - 18

YOUTH SUNDAY

Upcoming Events:

Youth Group – Wednesdays, from 6 – 8pm, starting August 22nd



Growing Tree Preschool has openings. Register Now! School starts tomorrow, August 13th.



Wonder Wednesday
Weds., Aug. 29th



Join us for a potluck dinner and meet Europe Missionaries, Mihai and Tammy Lundell