



WELCOME

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

CHIMING THE HOUR/TIME OF CENTERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Cherry Smith

Sing praises to the Lord, O faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.  
You have turned our mourning into dancing;  
you have taken off our sackcloth and clothed us with joy.  
My soul will praise you, O God, and will not be silent.  
O Lord, our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

\*PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Thomas à Kempis (c. 1380–1471)

Write your blessed name, O Lord, upon our hearts, there to remain so permanently engraven, that no prosperity, no adversity, shall ever move us from your love. Be to us a strong tower of defense, a comforter in tribulation, a deliverer in distress, a very present help in trouble, and a guide to heaven through the many temptations and dangers of this life. Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN

*Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator* | No. 18

*Hallelujah! Sing praise to your Creator,  
sun, moon, and stars and angels above.  
Praise the Lord, whose word established the heavens,  
Who upholds all the earth in power and love.  
God reigns on high, let the heavens rejoice! (O)  
God reigns on high, let the heavens rejoice!  
Praise the Lord, all mountains and oceans,  
rolling thunder and wind and storm clouds on high.  
Praise the Lord, your Maker, all living creatures,  
All the beasts in the fields and birds in the sky.  
Both young and old, come and join in the song! (O)  
Both young and old, come and join in the song!  
Give to God all glory and honor.  
From the depths to the heights let praises resound  
to the Lord, the source of strength and salvation  
**For all people on whom God's favor is found.  
Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own! (O)  
Praise God, you saints who are claimed as God's own!***

*Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator*  
TEXT: Sylvia G. Dunsten,  
MUSIC: William Moore's *Columbian Harmony*  
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our sin, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength. Amen.  
*(A time for silent confession)*

POURING OF THE WATER

*Because of the grace we receive in baptism, we have nothing to fear.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Siblings in Christ, God's love has been poured out that we may walk the way of faith and have abundance and joy. Believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* | No. 582

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*  
TEXT: Trad. Liturgical text; adapt. Paul M. Vasile  
MUSIC: Paul M. Vasile  
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CHILDREN'S TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand* | Brittney Williams  
by Mahalia Jackson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Revelation 21:1-4

\*HYMN

*Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling* | No. 418

*Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me.*  
***See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.***  
***"Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home."***  
***Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"***

*Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me?  
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me?*  
***"Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home."***  
***Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"***

*Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling*  
TEXT: Joseph Hart  
MUSIC: Walkere's Southern Harmony  
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*O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me!  
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.*  
***"Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home."***  
***Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"***

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5:1-4

SERMON

*"First Things"* | Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

from *Romans 8*

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

JOYS & CONCERNS

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 TO GIVE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise*

*God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (OLD HUNDREDTH) | No. 606*  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*  
*praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*  
*Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, we offer you these gifts so you might bless them and our lives that we might better love you, more joyfully serve you, and always delight to do your will. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee | No. 611*

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love!*  
*Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above.*  
*Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away.*  
*Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.*

*All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays;*  
*stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.*  
*Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,*  
*chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.*

*Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.*  
*Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.*  
*Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.*  
*Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.*

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*  
 TEXT and MUSIC: John L. Bell trans Swaziland  
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\*CHARGE & BENEDECTION

Remember you are a child of God:  
 And God loves God's children.

# JUN 14 - 21

## Events & Celebrations

SUN   14	MON   15	TUE   16	WED   17
Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship, 11:15AM Gilbert & Sullivan, 2:30PM NA of EP, 3:00PM BIRTHDAY -Zoomer Roberts	Compassion Camp VBS, 12:00-3:00PM BIRTHDAY Cherry Smith	GraceB4Work, 7:00AM Compassion Camp VBS, 12:00-3:00PM G&S, 7:00PM	Compassion Camp VBS, 12:00-3:00PM Session (Zoom), 6:00PM
THU   18	FRI   19	SAT   20	SUN   21
Compassion Camp VBS, 12:00-3:00PM Gilbert& Sullivan, 7:00PM	JUNETEENTH Compassion Camp VBS, 12:00-3:00PM	<b>Quilter's Workshop, 8:30AM</b>	Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship, 11:15AM B&G, 11:30AM Gilbert & Sullivan, 2:30PM NA of EP, 3:00PM

## Prayers & Concerns

Mary & Mark Dunn	Pete McMillan	Jerry Malone	Pat Bryant
Zoomer Roberts	Susan Carr	Christina Fenstermacher	Mary Province
Bob Hedicke	Mildred Helm	Jim Burton	Darci Georges

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor—Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith  
Music Director—Brittney Williams  
Additional Accompaniment—Bill Rose

Liturgist—Cherry Smith  
Accompanist/Pianist—Patricia Ann Provencio  
Technology—Angel Martinez, Bob Jones & Jim Collins

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