

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, *including Concerns & Celebrations*

God of mercy, hear our prayer.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY #625
(stanzas 1-2)

How Great Thou Art

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*RESPONSE HYMN 716 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" BEACH SPRING
**God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
nature's wonder, Jesus' Wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise; thankful song
shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN 441

"Hear the Good News of Salvation"

NETTLETON

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING HYMN 541 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

RANDOLPH

**God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, with a
shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

*POSTLUDE

Blessed Be Your Name

arr., Victor Labenske

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* denotes standing as able.

PIANIST: Betsy Burmeister

SOLOIST: Paula Zimdars

LITURGIST: Pam Knox

PERCUSSION: Abby Horvath

MORE THAN FOUR: Jim Anderson, Rich Reaves, Linda Rogers,
Kathryn Fowler, and Betsy Burmeister



July 24, 2022

COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: Green

10:00am Worship

7th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PREPARATION *Come, Now is the Time to Worship* arr., Victor Labenske

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY *The Heart of Worship* arr., Victor Labenske

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us hear what the Lord our God speaks:

God speaks peace to God's people, to the faithful.

God speaks to those who turn to God in their hearts.

Seeking peace, in word, in song, and in prayer,

let us worship God!

*HYMN 39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Chisholm/Runyan

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we humbly confess that we have fallen short of who you call us to be.

We seek peace and comfort in our lives, ignoring the needs of those around us.

We live our lives in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors.

Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love, so that in turning to you, we may seek unity and peace for all of creation. In Jesus' name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*HYMN 581 "Gloria Patri" Greatorex

**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.**

LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 138

NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 1: 15-23

PROCLAMATION Dana Waters

*HYMN 465 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Scriven/Converse