

Order of Worship
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Education Sunday
Sunday, August 23, 2026 - 10:15 a.m.

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

"Praise"

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord, praise the Lord.
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I'll praise in the valley, praise on the mountain.
I'll praise when I'm sure, praise when I'm doubting.
I'll praise when outnumbered, praise when surrounded,
'Cause praise is the water my enemies drown in.

As long as I'm breathing I've got a reason to Praise the Lord, oh, my soul.
Praise the Lord, oh, my soul.

I'll praise when I feel it and I'll praise when I don't.
I'll praise 'cause I know You're still in control.
'Cause my praise is a weapon it's more than a sound.
My praise is the shout that brings Jericho down.

As long as I'm breathing I've got a reason to Praise the Lord, oh, my soul.
Praise the Lord, oh, my soul. I won't be quiet, my God is alive.
How could I keep it inside? Praise the Lord, oh, my soul.

I'll praise 'cause You're sovereign, praise 'cause You reign.
Praise 'cause You rose and defeated the grave.
I'll praise 'cause You're faithful, praise 'cause You're true.
Praise 'cause there's nobody greater than You.

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 51:1-6

¹ “Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the Lord: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ² Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. ³ For the Lord comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴ “Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵ My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

HYMN

“Earth and All Stars”

Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Oh, victory! Loud shouting army! Sing to the Lord a new song!

Refrain:

**He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song!**

Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellos! Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Athlete and band! Loud cheering people! Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying members! Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

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THE EPISTLE READING

EPHESIANS 6:10-18

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.

Please stand for the Reading of the Holy Gospel.

THE GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 16:13-20

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

"What A Beautiful Name"

You were the Word at the beginning, one with God the Lord Most High.
Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in You our Christ.

What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a beautiful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us, so Jesus You brought heaven down.
My sin was great, Your love was greater;
What could separate us now?

What a wonderful Name it is, What a wonderful Name it is.
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.
What a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You.
You silence the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again.

You have no rival, You have no equal. Now and forever God, You reign.
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names.

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is.
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against.
What a powerful Name it is, the name of Jesus.
What a powerful Name it is, the name of Jesus.
What a powerful Name it is, the name of Jesus.

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THE SERMON

REV. GLENN A. LUCAS

"Stand"
Ephesians 6:13

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

At this time, you may give your offering electronically.
Use the e-Giving Card in the pew or visit
www.abidingsavior.com/church/give
You may also place your offering in the offering plate as it passes.

MUSICAL OFFERING

ABIDING PRAISE

"In Christ Alone"

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me. In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is My † blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

"Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"

You call me out upon the waters The great unknown where feet may fail.
And there I find You in the mystery In oceans deep my faith will stand.

Chorus: **And I will call upon Your name And keep my eyes above the waves.
 When oceans rise My soul will rest in Your embrace
 For I am Yours and You are mine.**

Your grace abounds in the deepest waters Your sov'reign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and You won't start now. *Chorus*

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders.
Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior.

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders.
Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me.
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior. *Repeat*

I will call upon Your name Keep my eyes above the waves.
My soul will rest in Your embrace I am Yours and You are mine.

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"Lord I Need You"

Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest.
And without You, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus:

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev'ry hour I need You.
My one defense, my righteousness; Oh, God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where You are.
And where You are, Lord I am free. Holiness is Christ in me. *Chorus*

So, teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You. Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You. Ev'ry hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness; Oh, God, how I need You.
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THE DISMISSAL

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

All: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"Joy Of The Lord"

When I cannot see You with my eyes, let faith arise to You.
When I cannot feel Your hand in mine, let faith arise to You.
God of mercy and love, I will praise You, Lord.

Oh, You shine with glory, Lord of light; I feel alive with You.
In Your presence now, I come alive; I am alive with You.
There is strength when I say: "I will praise You Lord!"

Chorus:

The joy of the Lord is my strength!
The joy of the Lord is my strength!
In the darkness I'll dance, in the shadows I'll sing,
The joy of the Lord is my strength! *Repeat*

When sorrow comes my way, You are the shield around me.
Always, You remain, like courage in the fight.
I hear You call my name. Jesus, I am coming,
Walking on the waves, reaching for Your light!

Chorus:

The joy of the Lord is my strength!
The joy of the Lord is my strength!
In the darkness I'll dance, in the shadows I'll sing,
The joy of the Lord is my strength! *Repeat*

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Flower Arrangements

The flower arrangements which grace our altar this weekend are dedicated to the glory of the Lord by **Mark** and **Mary Wolfinbarger** in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary. Also, flowers are placed on our altar to the glory of our Lord by **Jackie Baker**. Happy birthday Steve and Debbie!

Keep in Your Prayers

Prayers for strength and healing, guidance and blessing for:

Brian Adams
Terri Green

Alexander Hernandez
Jeanne Kelly

Brad Morton