

THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One: God's steadfast love extend beyond the farthest star,
yet that love is also present among us.

Many: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

One: God's saving acts were experienced by our ancestors,
and God continues to act in our own day.

Many: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and do not forget all God's benefits.

One: God's concern is for all creation, for all worlds,
yet that care draws us close in these moments.

Many: The whole creation is filled with eager longing;
bless the Lord, all who live in hope.

* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

* **SACRED MUSIC** #15 "All Creatures Of Our God And King" NPH
Verses 1- 3

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

O God, we have pursued futile plans, without seeking your guidance. We have resisted the way you would have us go. We demand proofs before we will believe, yet close our eyes to your wonders on every hand. We do not seek the leaven of your world and Spirit, to expand our lives and make them attractive and useful. O Holy One, we need a new vision and the self-discipline to embrace your realm here and now. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles' Creed**
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison)

* **THE PEACE** (Response: "And also with you.")

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:18-25 Pg. 158 NT

SERMON "Hoping For What We Do Not See"
Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

* **SACRED MUSIC** #14 "For The Beauty Of The Earth" NPH

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)

OFFERING

(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs
as you exit the sanctuary following the worship.)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER

(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **SACRED MUSIC** #15 "All Creatures Of Our God And King" NPH
Verses 4- 6

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE (Seated) Kathleen Crecco

* **Congregation standing; as each person desires.**

Masks are welcome but not required, distance as you are comfortable.

Virtual fellowship via Zoom will take place at 11:30 a.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/6360764407>

**Following the worship service everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall
for conversation and a light repast.**

REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Galen Pletcher and Helen, Judy Gibson, Bob Fraser, Wayne Miller, Vern Aldous and Arvilla, Bill Webb, Christa Lyon, Nick Scelzi, Bill and Karen Parker, Mark Erickson, Nancy and Mark Brown, Basford/Rodee Family, Josh Holbrook, Rita Ostrander, Colleen Grant, Janet Favro, Jody Upton and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; and those serving our nation and their families who support them.

Pianist: Kathleen Crecco
Church School Director: Andrea Montgomery
Office Coordinator: Lynne HunterBeach

The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a
Password for the Zoom fellowship call at 11:30 a.m. is 3862570

AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

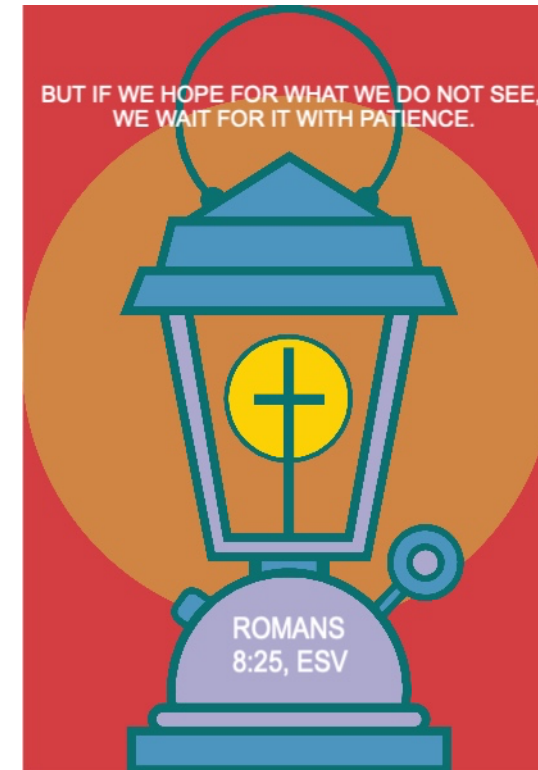
Today 07/23/23 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (9 a.m.)
Sunday 07/30/23 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (9 a.m.)
- Rev. Mike On Vacation
Rev. Vanessa Syvertsen To Preach/Lead Worship

Birthdays: Bill Webb (Today)
Natasha Bell, Shirley Norton (Tuesday)
Justin Brady (Wednesday); Chris Grant (Saturday)

Anniversaries: James & Kathy Gibson (Today)
Philip Elvy & Kelli Hollis (Friday)
Mark & Nancy Brackett, Katie & John Smith (Saturday)

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Mornings M-W & By Appointment

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