

Announcements

Notes:

Officer Training | Meets this Wednesday evening at 7.

Youth Girls' Book Club | Meets this Friday, July 31st at 9am at Tom Triplett Park. In case of rain, meet at the church.

Town Hall Lunch | Monthly church-wide fellowship lunch, next Sunday, August 2nd, following worship.

*A Service of Praise and Worship of Almighty God
on the Lord's Day*

JULY 26, 2026

Preparation for Worship

*"The LORD is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him."
- Habakkuk 2:20*

Call to Worship

PSALM 99:1-3

Oh sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things!
His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.
The LORD has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.

Response of Praise:
FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:

Christ, our God, to thee we raise
This, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r,
Sun and moon, and stars of light:

Christ, our God, to thee we raise
This, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild:

Christ, our God, to thee we raise
This, our hymn of grateful praise.

For each perfect gift of thine
To our race so freely giv'n:
Graces human and Divine,
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n:

Christ, our God, to thee we raise
This, our hymn of grateful praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You set your glory above the skies by your almighty word.
In the sound of children's praise, you have established strength.
Our eyes we lift, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

O Lord, our Lord, when we contemplate the beauty of your works,
oh, what is man that you think of him, or stoop to give him worth?
Lower than the angel hosts, with glory we are crowned.
What joy, what bliss, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

O Lord, our Lord, you have placed the world beneath our rule and care;
o'er ev'ry creature upon the land, within the sea and air.
Ev'ry breath a gift to praise the King all nature serves,
Our song is this: how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

O Lord, our Lord, all creation cries the wonders of your name.
Where mountains rise and where oceans kneel, all teeming life
proclaims, with the everlasting song of your redeeming works: how vast
how rich, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Prayer of Invocation & 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 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.

Confession of Faith

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM QUESTIONS 78-79

Are then the bread and wine changed into the real body and blood of Christ?

No. Just as the water of baptism is not changed into the blood of Christ and is not the washing away of sins itself but is simply God's sign and pledge, so also the bread in the Lord's supper does not become the body of Christ itself, although it is called Christ's body in keeping with the nature and usage of sacraments.

Why then does Christ call the bread his body and the cup his blood, or the new covenant in his blood, and why does Paul speak of a participation in the body and blood of Christ?

Christ speaks in this way for a good reason: He wants to teach us by his supper that as bread and wine sustain us in this temporal life, so his crucified body and shed blood are true food and drink for our souls to eternal life.

But, even more important, he wants to assure us by this visible sign and pledge, first, that through the working of the Holy Spirit we share in his true body and blood as surely as we receive with our mouth these holy signs in remembrance of him, and, second, that all his suffering and obedience are as certainly ours as if we personally had suffered and paid for our sins.

The 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.

Corporate Confession of Sin:

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love.

O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins, for the sake of your dear Son. And help us, we pray, to live in your light and walk in your ways; according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

ISAIAH 53:5-6

But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the LORD has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

Tithes and Offerings

PSALM 112:5-6

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;
who conducts his affairs with justice.
For the righteous will never be moved;
he will be remembered forever.

Offertory:
JESUS, I COME

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my sickness into Thy health,
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Doxology

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

Pastoral Prayer

New Testament Reading:

TBD

(p. ? of Pew Bible)

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God!*

Hymn of Preparation

BE UNTO YOUR NAME

We are a moment, You are forever,
Lord of the ages, God before time.
We are a vapor, You are eternal,
Love everlasting, reigning on high.

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain.
Highest praises, honor, and glory,
Be unto Your Name.
Be unto Your Name.

We are the broken, You are the Healer,
Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save.
You are the love song we'll sing forever,
Bowing before You, blessing Your name.

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain.
Highest praises, honor, and glory,
Be unto Your Name.
Be unto Your Name. (Repeat)

Preaching of God's Word

PSALM 7

(Page 450 of the pew Bible)

[1] O LORD my God, in you do I take refuge;
 save me from all my pursuers and deliver me,
[2] lest like a lion they tear my soul apart,
 rending it in pieces, with none to deliver.

[3] O LORD my God, if I have done this,
 if there is wrong in my hands,
[4] if I have repaid my friend with evil
 or plundered my enemy without cause,
[5] let the enemy pursue my soul and overtake it,
 and let him trample my life to the ground
 and lay my glory in the dust. Selah

[6] Arise, O LORD, in your anger;
 lift yourself up against the fury of my enemies;
 awake for me; you have appointed a judgment.
[7] Let the assembly of the peoples be gathered about you;
 over it return on high.

[8] The LORD judges the peoples;
 judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness
 and according to the integrity that is in me.
[9] Oh, let the evil of the wicked come to an end,
 and may you establish the righteous—
you who test the minds and hearts,
 O righteous God!
[10] My shield is with God,
 who saves the upright in heart.
[11] God is a righteous judge,
 and a God who feels indignation every day.

[12] If a man does not repent, God will whet his sword;
 he has bent and readied his bow;

[13] he has prepared for him his deadly weapons,
making his arrows fiery shafts.

[14] Behold, the wicked man conceives evil
and is pregnant with mischief
and gives birth to lies.

[15] He makes a pit, digging it out,
and falls into the hole that he has made.

[16] His mischief returns upon his own head,
and on his own skull his violence descends.

[17] I will give to the LORD the thanks due to his righteousness,
and I will sing praise to the name of the LORD, the Most High.

Closing Hymn

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

Hymn of the Month

Let us love, and sing, and wonder;
let us praise the Savior's name!
He has hushed the law's loud thunder;
he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame;
He has washed us with his blood; (3x)
he has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us,
pitied us when enemies,
called us by his grace and taught us,
gave us ears and gave us eyes;
he has washed us with his blood; (3x)
he presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation
threaten hard to bear us down!
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
holds in view the conqueror's crown;
he who washed us with his blood (3x)
soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice
join, and point to mercy's store;
when through grace in Christ our trust is,
justice smiles and asks no more;
he who washed us with his blood (3x)
has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus
of the saints enthroned on high;
here they trusted him before us;
now their praises fill the sky:
"Thou hast washed us with thy blood; (3x)
thou art worthy, Lamb of God!"

Benediction

Sermon Notes

Psalm 7