

And the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people.’ **Amos 7:15**

Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you! **Psalms 82:8**

Grace to you and peace from God. **Colossians 1:2**

“Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” **Luke 10:25**

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Christa Mastrangelo Joyce

**Reflections**  
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**To Our Guests**  
We are glad you are with us. Please sign the guest book by the front door and fill in a visitor’s card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of fair trade coffee with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

**THE FONT OF IDENTITY**

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**+Introit 281** (6x)  
*Holy Spirit, come to us.*

**Proclamation**  
In life and death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God,  
whom alone we worship and serve.

**Call to Grace**  
  
**\*+Hymn 623**  
“Peace Like a River”

**Prayer for Grace**  
Arise! Awaken to the new dawn!  
Come into the light; shed darkness like skin on the snake!  
For the foundations of the cosmos are shaking with injustice.  
I say, “Within you dwells the Beloved,  
and breath of your breath;  
Open your heart in the silence and know the one in the many.”

**Response 288** (2x)  
*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*  
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*Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.*  
*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

**Declaration of Grace and Gratitude**

**\*+Response 293**, v. 1 (2x)  
*Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be,*  
*you have drawn me to your wonder, you have set your sign on me.*

**Blessing the World**  
Aotearoa New Zealand, Australia

**Response 21**, v. 1  
*Many and great, O God, are thy works, Maker of earth and sky.*  
*Thy hands have set the heavens with stars;*  
*thy fingers spread the mountains and plains.*  
*Lo, at thy word the waters were formed. Deep seas obey thy voice.*

**First Pew**

**Response 21**, v. 2  
*Grant unto us communion with thee, thou star-abiding One.*  
*Come unto us and dwell with us.*  
*With thee are found the gifts of life.*  
*Bless us with life that has no end, eternal life with thee.*

**Welcome and Parish Life**

**THE WORD OF HOPE**

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**Reading**  
  
**Interlude**  
  
**Lesson**  
Luke 10:25-37

**Reflections**  
Parents of SPC

**\*Hymn 70**  
“What Does the Lord Require”

**THE BREAD OF LIFE**

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**Prayer for Others**  
  
**Offering Our Gifts**

**Offertory**  
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**\*Acclamation**  
With believers in every time and place  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

† † †  
**\*Sending 291**, refrain (2x)  
*Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free.*  
*Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,*  
*wind, wind on the sea.*

**\*Postlude**

From my point of view,  
God is the light that illuminates the darkness, even if it does not dissolve it, and a spark of divine light is within each of us.

**Pope Francis**  
  
I want to change the Jericho Road, so that everybody has an opportunity for a job, education, security, health.

**Martin Luther King, Jr**  
  
They had an ordinary life, full of ordinary things—if love can ever be called that.

**Leigh Bardugo**  
  
A Good Samaritan is ... one who provides a system of sustained care.

**James A. Forbes**  
  
  
  
  
**Call to Grace**  
Nan Merrill

**Lesson Translation**  
New Revised  
Standard Version

**Prayer for Others**  
Etty Hillesum

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**PASTOR GUSTI WILL BE ON VACATION AND STUDY LEAVE JULY 7 - AUGUST 3.**

The Parents of SPC will offer Guest Reflections through July and Rev. Nancy Meehan-Yao will serve as Guest Preacher and Communion Celebrant on August 3. Contact Deacon Moderator Donna Dettling (301-467-0423) or Jen Jones (681-247-0193) or your own Deacon for pastoral emergencies. They will contact a local pastor to support you in Pastor Gusti’s absence, if needed.

**Sunday, July 13**

*Amos 7:7–17 Psalm 82 Colossians 1:1–14 Luke 10:25–37*

- 8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!  
Summer Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2
- 12:30 p.m. Youth Group – Downstairs

**Thursday, July 17**

- 6:00 p.m. Communications Team Meeting – Fellowship Hall

**Friday, July 18**

Church Office Closed

**Sunday, July 20**

*Amos 8:1–12 Psalm 52 Colossians 1:15–28 Luke 10:38–42*

- 8:30 a.m. Early Service of Worship – Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary and Facebook Live!  
Summer Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

**MUSIC IN WORSHIP:** The Introit is from the Taizé Community. The Opening Song is an African American spiritual. The early 20th Century Response to the Prayer for Grace was inspired by the prophet Jeremiah. The late 20th Century Response to the Declaration is set to a folk melody. The mid 19th Century Introduction and Response to the First Pew was written in the Dakota language to fit the Dakota tune. The late 20th Century Sermon Hymn is a paraphrase of Micah 6:8. The Sending Refrain describes the breadth of experiencing the Spirit of God.

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**Ordinary Time**  
Fifteenth Sunday

**July 13, 2025**  
11:00 a.m.

**Love**

Love means to learn to look at yourself  
The way one looks at distant things  
For you are only one thing among many.  
And whoever sees that way heals his heart,  
Without knowing it, from various ills—  
A bird and a tree say to him: Friend.

Then he wants to use himself and things  
So that they stand in the glow of ripeness.  
It doesn’t matter whether he knows what he serves:  
Who serves best doesn’t always understand.

**Czeslaw Milosz**

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