

“You have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.” **Genesis 32:28**

From you let my vindication come. **Psalms 17:2**

I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. **Romans 9:2**

And all ate and were filled. **Matthew 14:20**

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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 (2x)

The kingdom of God is justice and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

Come, Lord, and open in us the gates of your kingdom.

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.

Prayer

***+Hymn 509**

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

Prayer for Wholeness

We cannot love God
unless we love each other;
and to love each other,
we must know each other
in the breaking of bread.

And then,
we are not alone anymore.

Heaven is a banquet,
and life is a banquet, too
– even with just a crust –
where there is companionship.
Love comes with community.

+Kyrie 575 (2x)

Lord, have mercy upon us;
Christ, have mercy upon us;
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

***+Alleluia 586 (2x)**

Alleluia alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Blessing the World

Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia

+Response 582, v1

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

First Pew

+Response 582, v2

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

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Reading

Interlude

Lesson

Matthew 14:15-20

Sermon

“A Table Before Me”

***+Hymn 536**

“Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen”

THE BREAD OF LIFE

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Memorial Moment

Eucharistic Prayer

*Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,
broken and shared, life for the world.*

Let us be wine, love freely poured, let us be one in the Lord.

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

“Wide River to Cross”

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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 748 (2x)**

*Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.*

***Postlude**

Love your enemies because they bring out the best in you.

Friedrich Nietzsche

With the first mouthful, I promise to practice loving-kindness.

Thich Nhat Hanh

Eating words has never given me indigestion.

Winston Churchill

Let us feed on love.

Buddha

**Please rise in body and spirit.*

Opening Prayer

Fellowship of
Reconciliation

Prayer for Wholeness

Dorothy Day

Declaration

Taittiriya Upanishad

Lesson Translation

New Revised
Standard Version

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Ordinary Time
Eighteenth Sunday

August 6, 2023
11:00 a.m.

Sunday, August 6 • Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

8:30 a.m. Early Service Worship with Communion - Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship with Communion - Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Sunday Studio - Children K-5th Grade - Classroom

5:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall reserved until 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 10

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting - Fellowship Hall/Hybrid

Friday, August 11 • Church Office Closed

12:00 p.m. Gathering Space for Prayer via Zoom

Sunday, August 13 • Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33

8:30 a.m. Early Service Worship - Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship - Sanctuary and Facebook Live!
Sunday Studio - Children K-5th Grade - Classroom

MUSIC IN WORSHIP: The Introit is from the Taizé community. The late 20th Century Opening Hymn is set to an American folk melody. The Kyrie, Alleluia, and Responses to the Declaration and First Pew are traditional liturgical texts. The late 20th Century Sermon Hymn becomes both a Eucharistic hymn and a Sending hymn. The Communion Response lifts up the refrain from a much longer late 20th Century Eucharistic Hymn. The Sending Hymn was created for a children's choir at the National Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C.

PASTOR GUSTI WILL BE TAKING STUDY LEAVE, Saturday, August 12 – Friday, August 25. Jeananne Stine will be available for pastoral emergencies: 410-746-8605 or jeanne27@gmail.com. Debbie Romano and Chris Morehouse will offer guest reflections on August 13 and 20.

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Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk
through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.

King James Version

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