

"A COMMUNITY CHURCH IN THE FOOTHILLS"

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MISSION STATEMENT

"WALKING WITH JESUS TO BRING NEW LIFE AND HOPE TO EVERY PERSON"

WE ARE A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2024



We welcome you to the worship of this community of faith.

As we sing, pray and study God's word together may we strengthen each other's faith in the saving power of Jesus Christ. It is difficult to be a Christian by yourself!

When you enter this church, it may be possible that you hear "the call of God". However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your cell phone. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see God, send Him a text while driving.

<u>VISITORS...</u> Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the Narthex. Pastor Timm would love to meet you!

<u>PLEASE REMEMBER...</u> to contact the church office if you or a loved one are hospitalized, in rehab facility, or facility other than your home. Pastor and Stephen Ministers will make a visit.

<u>DID YOU KNOW...</u> Perfume and cologne can trigger life-threatening breathing emergencies in persons with asthma, allergies and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) Hospitals and schools are becoming 'scent-free' due to this increasing health hazard. Please be sensitive to this concern when coming to church. Thank You.

<u>LITTLE FOLKS...</u> Parents... please remember that there are 'busy bags' hanging on the coat tree in the Narthex to occupy the little ones during worship. Simply return the bags to the tree on your way out of church. Thank you.

<u>BE COMFORTABLE.</u> There are shawls in the Narthex that you can use if chilled during worship. Just ask one of the ushers and they will get you one. Simply return the shawl to the narthex on your way out of the church.

Hearing Devices: The older hearing devices have been moved to the Narthex. They are located next to the far right entrance door to the sanctuary.

We now offer the T-Coil hearing device with the new sound system. Individuals will need to contact their provider to find out if their hearing aid is telecoil-equipped. If so, they need to ask how to turn on the T-Coil or if it is automatically linked once the loop is around their neck.

FLOWERS for the altar today are given by Gary Raasch in memory of 'my brides birthday'.

<u>PRAYERS:</u> Marijan Petrovic, Bill Otterstein, Mary Zieman, Ami Gudjohnsen, Bonnie Griffith (friend of Glorious Quilters), Dugan Tjerne (friend of Lynette Layton), Tammie Melby (friend of Marie Ritten), Forrest Marsh, Cheryl Preul, Carolyn Smith, Cheryl Perkins (friend of Glorious Quilters), Becky Scheller, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller), Henry Carey, Mason Fletcher, Iva Pennell(Paul Ehler's Sister)

PLEASE NOTE that we'll be using the Traditional version of the Lord's Prayer for the month of August. God blesses our prayers.

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- P God Is Good!
- C All the time
- P All the time
- C God Is Good!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C Amen.

P We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

- P Merciful and holy God,
- C You have called us to follow you in the way of justice, mercy, loving kindness, and care for all the earth. In our human frailty we have turned away, letting our fears drive us to actions or inactions that cause harm to ourselves, our neighbors, and our world. Draw us back into your loving arms. Wipe away our fears and our mistakes, that with clean hearts we might live to serve you and all creation.
- P Hear this word of hope, beloved of God. Our God is rich in mercy and abundant in love and forgives you all your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, who lives within and among us, and invites us to have life abundantly.

C Amen.

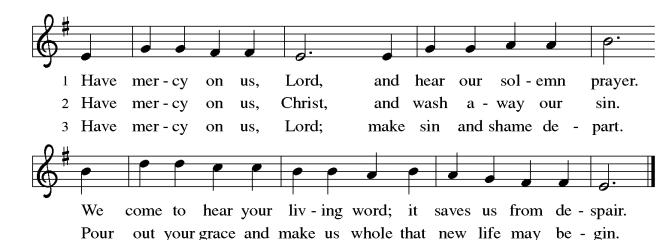
PRAISE, THANKSGIVING



GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

KYRIE



Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate

us new hearts!

in

SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY together we pray:

God of deliverance. Make us strong in our faith, unafraid to hold fast to your word, inspired to act on behalf of those in need. Walk with us, protect us, and liberate us to speak your truth in word and deed. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

PASSING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you
- C And also with you

WORSHIP CAROL

Bells of Glory

"Hanson Place"

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 3:1-30

¹King Nebuchadnezzar made a golden statue whose height was sixty cubits and whose width was six cubits; he set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon. ²Then King Nebuchadnezzar sent for the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces to assemble and come to the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. ³ So the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces assembled for the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. When they were standing before the statue that Nebuchadnezzar had set up, ⁴ the herald proclaimed aloud, "You are commanded, O peoples, nations, and

languages, ⁵ that when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, you are to fall down and worship the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. ⁶ Whoever does not fall down and worship shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire." ⁷ Therefore, as soon as all the peoples heard the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, ^[a] and entire musical ensemble, all the peoples, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

⁸ Accordingly, at this time certain Chaldeans came forward and denounced the Jews. ⁹ They said to King Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live forever! ¹⁰ You, O king, have made a decree, that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, shall fall down and worship the golden statue, ¹¹ and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire. ¹² There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These men pay no heed to you, O king. They do not serve your gods, and they do not worship the golden statue that you have set up."

¹³ Then Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought in, so they brought those men before the king. ¹⁴ Nebuchadnezzar said to them, "Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods and you do not worship the golden statue that I have set up? ¹⁵ Now if you are ready, when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, you should fall down and worship the statue that I have made. But if you do not worship, you shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire, and who is the god who will deliver you out of my hands?"

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to present a defense to you in this matter. ¹⁷ If our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire and out of your hand, O king, let him deliver us. [b] 18 But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods and we will not worship the golden statue that you have set up." ⁹Then Nebuchadnezzar was so filled with rage against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego that his face was distorted. He ordered the furnace heated up seven times more than was customary ²⁰ and ordered some of the strongest guards in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and to throw them into the furnace of blazing fire. ²¹ So the men were bound, still wearing their tunics, [c] their trousers, [d] their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into the furnace of blazing fire. ²² Because the king's command was urgent and the furnace was so overheated, the raging flames killed the men who lifted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. ²³ But the three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down, bound, into the furnace of blazing fire.

²⁴ Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up quickly. He said to his counselors, "Was it not three men that we threw bound into the fire?" They answered the king, "True, O king." ²⁵ He replied, "But I see four men unbound, walking in the middle of the fire, and they are not hurt, and the fourth has the appearance of a god." ^[e] ²⁶ Nebuchadnezzar then approached the door of the furnace of blazing fire and said, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!" So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire. ²⁷ And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king's counselors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men; the hair of their heads was not singed, their tunics ^[f] were not

scorched, and not even the smell of fire came from them. ²⁸ Nebuchadnezzar said, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants who trusted in him. They disobeyed the king's command and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God. ²⁹ Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that utters blasphemy against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb and their houses laid in ruins, for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way." ³⁰ Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

- R The Word of the Lord
- C Thanks Be To God

PSALM 119:121-128

- R I have done what is just and right; do not leave me to my oppressors.
- C ¹²² Guarantee your servant's well-being; do not let the godless oppress me.
- R ¹²³ My eyes fail from watching for your salvation and for the fulfillment of your righteous promise.
- C 124 Deal with your servant according to your steadfast love, and teach me your statutes.
- R ¹²⁵ I am your servant; give me understanding, so that I may know your decrees.
- C 126 It is time for the LORD to act, for your law has been broken.

- R ¹²⁷ Truly I love your commandments more than gold, more than fine gold.
- C 128 Truly I direct my steps by all your precepts; all hate every false way.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Fiery Furnace"

Guitarist: Brigitte Robinson

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

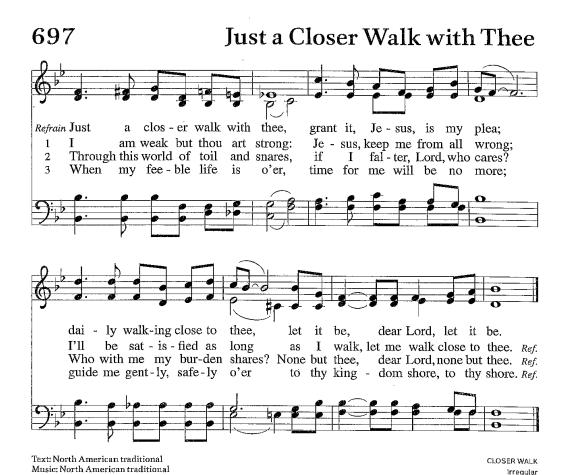


GOSPEL Luke 6:22-23

²² "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you^[a] on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

- P The Gospel of the Lord
- C Praise to the Lord

TEACHING: "Heat!, Holy!, Hope!" Pastor Jack Williams



THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day He rose again.

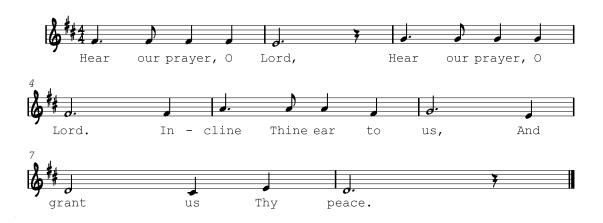
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER INVOCATION

"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Trusting in God's power and mercy, we pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

- P Saving God, as you walked in the fiery furnace with your faithful servants, protect and empower all who stand for right, that their message might transform even those who condemn them. God of mystery,
- C We lift our prayers to you.
- P Guide those who work tirelessly on behalf of this beautiful world you have created, and all forms of life that inhabit it. God of mystery,
- C We lift our prayers to you.

Here other petitions may be offered. Together we pray

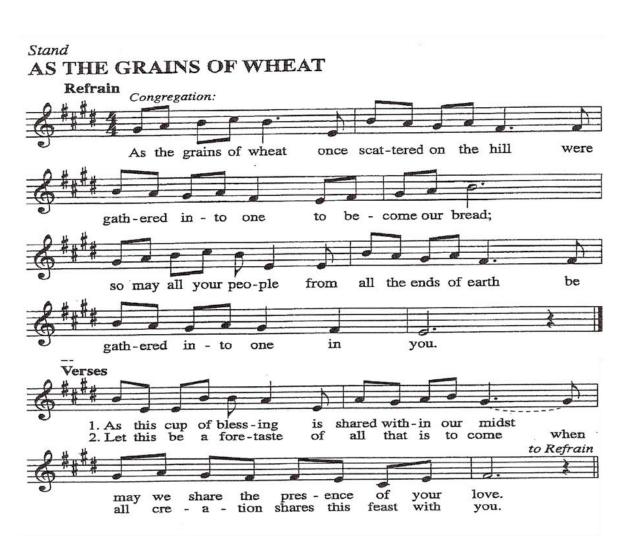
- C We pray for each of our mission congregations, local partners, and care ministries. We also pray for the congregation's vision and call process. May we continue to work toward our mission and uphold our values while we support the call committee in moving toward a pastoral transition. We also pray for that pastor whom God calls to Gloria de Cristo to work with us to move this congregation forward in mission. Enlarge our hearts toward people far from God while we "Walk with Jesus to bring new life and hope to every person."
- P Inspire each new generation to live into your call to love you with all their hearts. God of mystery,
- C We lift our prayers to you.
- P Equip all who provide care for the suffering that those in need of help, hope, and healing experience your very real presence with them in their pain. God of mystery,
- C We lift our prayers to you.
- P Renew our faith each day, O God, and assure us that a truly meaningful life is not necessarily found on the easiest path. God of mystery,
- C We lift our prayers to you.
- P So many of the saints who have come before us have dealt with persecution and other challenges to their faith yet have remained steadfast. Make us bold to live as they did. God of mystery.
- C We lift our prayers to you.

Р	Confident in your life-giving love, we lift these prayers and all those in
	our hearts into your loving care.

C Amen.

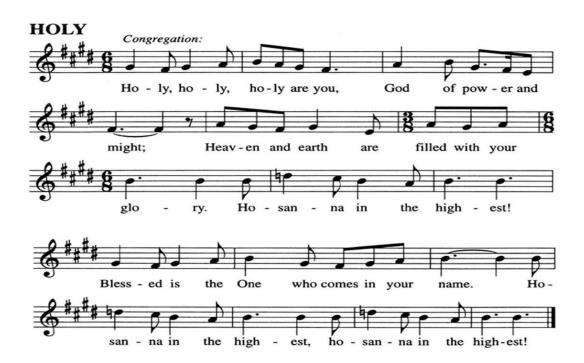
OFFERING: (For those watching there is a link for online giving in the description of the video. We are thankful for all the support from both in person giving as well and online giving.)

OFFERING RESPONSE



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you
- P Lift up your hearts
- C We lift them to the Lord
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise



- P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
 - We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
 - Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

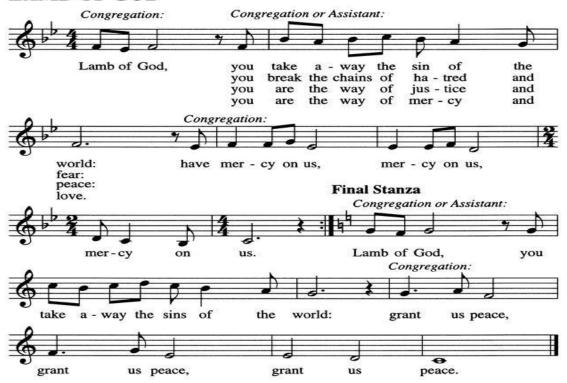
Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice. Those who do not commune and children may come forward for a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest to request a blessing. Simply complete a slip found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Consider the options on reverse side as to how you may serve this congregation.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

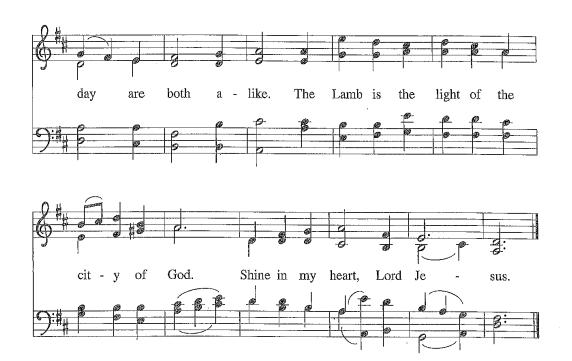
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD









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"For Those Tears I Died"



POST COMMUNION BLESSING (please stand)

- P The Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you safe in His Grace until everlasting life.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

C God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



- P Almighty God has created you and has a purpose for your life every day! Lord, Help us remember, IF YOU ARE NOT DEAD...
- C YOU ARE NOT DONE!
- P Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the Holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.
- C Amen.

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Christ is sending you.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Announcements

<u>Thank You</u> Pastor Jack for leading our worship today and bringing us the message.

Pastor Timm and Sandy are at Shepherd's Canyon Retreat and return tomorrow. Pastor is serving as Chaplain and Sandy is serving as a volunteer. This is part of his continuing education.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Altar	Ushers	Greeter/Communion	Readers
8/11	Char	Char & Eric Werner	Dave/Marge Graham	Judy Zeiss
8/18	Michelle	Larry Unger &	Michelle Cegon/	Jeannie Volpe
		Benda Taylor	Donna Watkins	_
8/25	Char	Mary Marsh	Bob/Judy Zeiss	Gary Raasch
		Eric Werner	-	-

Attendance last week August 4, 2024:
95 @ 9:30am.
8 views on Youtube and 680 views on Facebook.

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Tuesday 8/13	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 8/13	1:00 am	Foothills Social	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 8/14	1:00 pm	Chair Aerobics	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 8/14	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wednesday 8/14	5:45 pm	Choir Camp	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 8/15	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Hall
Friday 8/16	8:00am	TOP	Fellowship Hall
Friday 8/16	10:30 am	English/Spanish Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 8/16	1:00 pm	Social Group	Fellowship Hall
Friday 8/16	6:00 pm	Women's AA	Fellowship Hall
Saturday 8/17	9:00 am	Days for Girls	Fellowship Hall
Saturday 8/17	9:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 8/18	9:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 8/18	1:00 pm	Social Group	Fellowship Hall

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