

"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

JULY 7, 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.

<u>FLOWERS</u> for the altar today are given by Carol Schock in memory of son Donald AND Dave & Elaine Hofslien in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary.

<u>PRAYERS:</u>: Mary Zieman, Ami Gudjohnsen, Jerri Palmer, Tom Zimmerman brother of Marie Ritten), Tammie Melby (friend of Marie Ritten), Forrest Marsh, Cheryl Preul, Marlene Miller, Carolyn Smith, Cheryl Perkins (friend of Glorious Quilters), Becky Scheller, Rita (sister of Marlene Miller), Tony Cegon, Angela Butler (daughter of David Donaldson/sister of Michelle Cegon), Henry Carey, Mason Fletcher, Iva Pennell(Paul Ehler's Sister)

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

Is Your Phone Turned Off?

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

- C As we stand before you in the all-revealing light of your eternal love, we cannot help but see all the ways we have sinned and fallen short. We have done and said things that have caused harm to others. We have failed to do and say things for the sake of peace and justice. We have continuously sought after our own comfort, rather than your world-transforming love. Forgive us for our selfishness and shortsightedness, and bring us into the way of active love of you and our neighbor each new day.
- P The good news is that Jesus died to cleanse us from sin, and because of this, our joy can be complete. Receive the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, + Son and Holy Spirit.

C Amen.



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



SONG OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY together we pray:

Holy God. You came to us in love, and then in love died to release us from our slavery to sin and death. Teach us this sacrificial love for you and for one another, not that we might literally die, though we should be willing, but that we might surrender ourselves completely to you, trusting in the life-giving, life-sustaining, and life-restoring power of your love. 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

"Midnight Stars Make Bright the Skies"

FIRST LESSON: I John 3:16-24

¹⁶ We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸ Little children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. ¹⁹ And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰ whenever our hearts condemn us, for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹ Beloved,

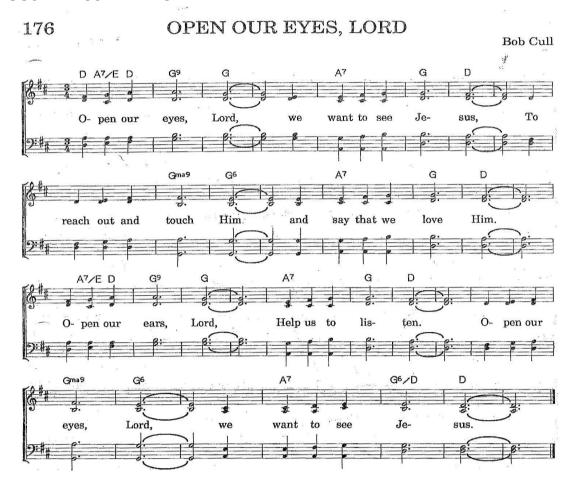
if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God, ²² and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³ And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴ All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

PSALM 119:161-168

- R Princes persecute me without cause, but my heart stands in awe of your words.
- C ¹⁶² I rejoice at your word like one who finds great spoil.
- R ¹⁶³ I hate and abhor falsehood, but I love your law.
- C 164 Seven times a day I praise you for your righteous ordinances.
- R ¹⁶⁵ Great peace have those who love your law; nothing can make them stumble.
- C ¹⁶⁶ I hope for your salvation, O LORD, and I fulfill your commandments.
- R 167 My soul keeps your decrees; I love them exceedingly.
- C 168 I keep your precepts and decrees, for all my ways are before you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

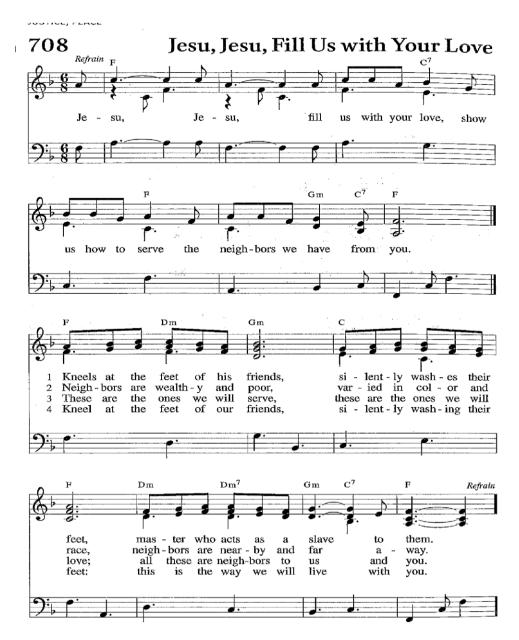


GOSPEL John 13:33-35

³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

TEACHING: "ACTIVE LOVE???!!!" Pastor Bill Timm



Text: Tom Colvin, 1925-2000, alt. Music: Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin; arr. Jane Marshall, b. 1924 Text and music © 1969, 1882 Hope Publishing Company CHEREPONI 7 7 9 and refrain

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.



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Confident in the breadth and depth of God's love and grace, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

- P God, you call us to demonstrate our love by addressing the needs of our neighbors. Make us to be generous with our worldly possessions, that all might have enough. God of love,
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.

- P Make us to see the natural world you have created is our neighbor. Help us to make choices that do not adversely impact what you have created. God of love,
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.
- P When we are called into positions of leadership, keep our commitment to you at the center of all our decision making. When we face indecision, give us clarity as to the best possible options. God of love,
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.

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 Help our healing love to flow through all who care for those suffering in body, mind, and spirit, that they might receive comfort and care. God of love,
- C In mercy, hear our prayer.

Р	Let us love not in words or speech, but in truth and action. Direct us in
	the way you would have us go in order to strive for peace for all creation.
	God of love,

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

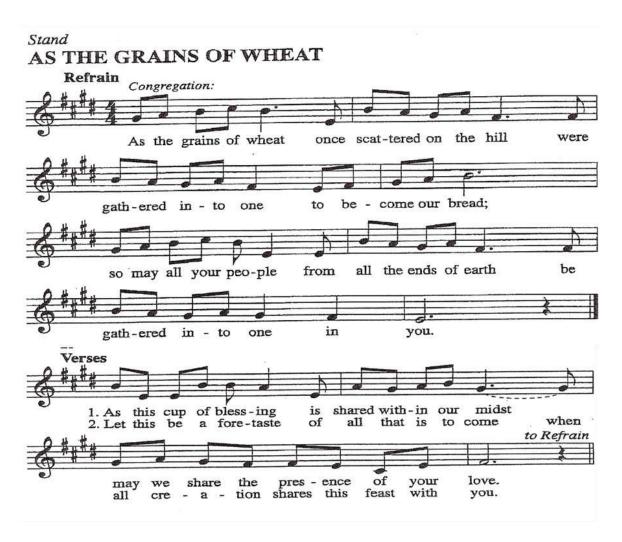
P We praise you for all whose lives were examples of your divine love in action for the sake of others. May they inspire us to go and do likewise. God of love,

C In mercy, hear our prayer.

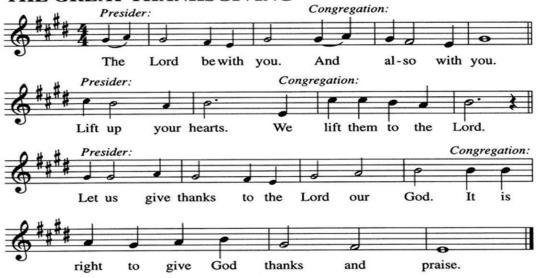
- P Confident that you care for all our needs, we lift these prayers, spoken and unspoken, into your loving hands.
- C Amen.

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.)

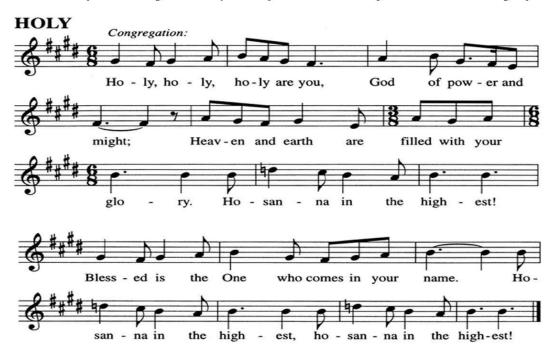
OFFERING RESPONSE



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is our duty and delight... we praise your name and join their unending hymn



- 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

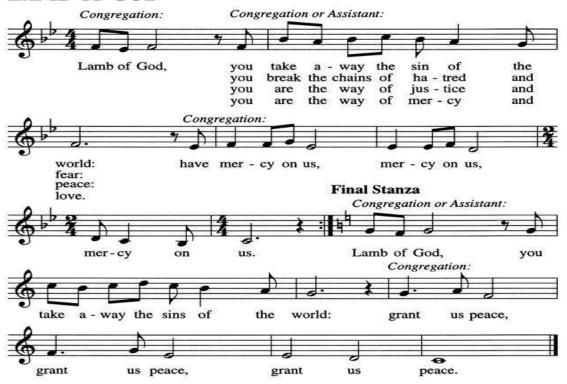
Communion is open to all baptized believers who know Jesus as Savior and seek to live with him as Lord of all areas of life. You receive the wafer in your hand and choose from the individual cup of wine or white grape juice. Those who do not commune and children may come forward for a blessing, simply 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 in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

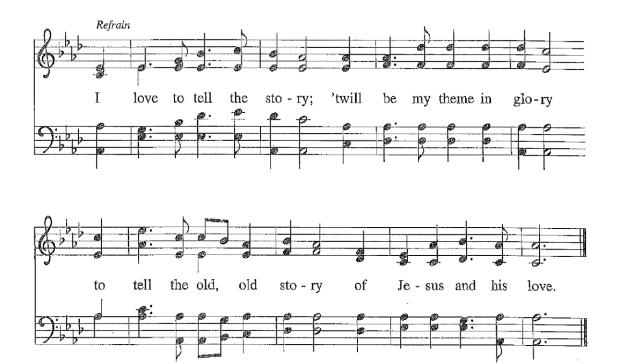
LAMB OF GOD





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-HANKEY 76 76 D and refrain





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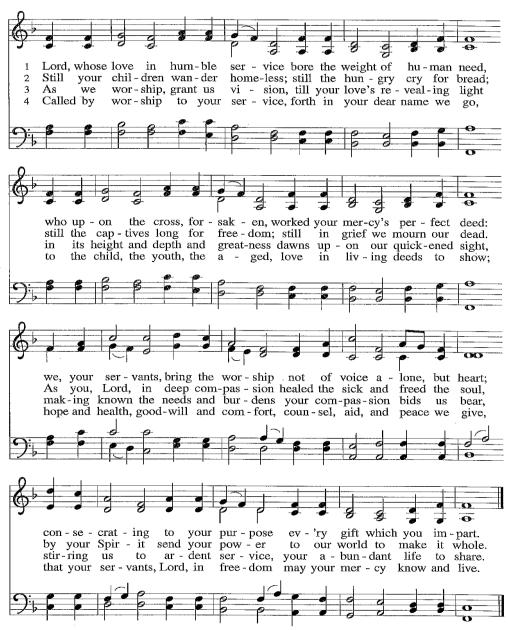
POST COMMUNION BLESSING (please stand)

- 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

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.

712 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



- 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

POTLUCK... Today is the monthly Potluck following worship. All are Welcome!

THANK YOU: to all who brought food for the Yuma Food Bank. It is greatly appreciated.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> On your *green communion slip*, please list your favorite communion hymn. We will use the top 4 for next weeks service.

NOTE: There will be no Chair Aerobics on July 10th.

REMINDERS:

Monthly Potluck: The 1st Sunday is our monthly Potluck following the 9:30 am worship. Mark your calendar, bring your favorite dish to share and join us for fellowship and food.

Food Pantry: 1st Sunday of each month we collect food for the local Food Pantry. When doing your shopping consider picking up a couple of items to bring and donate.

<u>Men's Breakfast</u> the 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Daybreakers**. All gentlemen of the congregation are invited to come.

<u>Women's Breakfast Club</u> 1st Saturday of each month, 8 am at **Jimmy K's Diner.** All ladies of the congregation are welcome to attend.

<u>Bible Study:</u> Every Monday at 12:30 pm at Pastor's home (7649 E. 25th Street).

GriefShare: Every Sunday at 12:00 pm in Fellowship Classroom.

<u>Chair Aerobics</u>: Classes are held every Wednesday at 1 pm in Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$5/session is appreciated to offset the cost of the instructor. Everyone is welcome.

<u>Days for Girls:</u> check the calendar for the next date. Come join us for the fellowship and fun.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date Altar		Ushers	Greeter/Communion	Readers	
7/7	Jan	Brenda Taylor/Mary Marsh	Dave/Marge Graham	Marge Graham Nancy Griffiths	
7/14	Char	ar Rick/Barbara Sherwood Dave/Nancy Griffiths Niki Dut		Niki Duffy	
7/21 Char Elaine Hofslein/		Elaine Hofslein/	Yvonne Wurtele/	Gary Raasch	
		Larry Unger	Donna Watkins		
7/28	Joanne	Bob/Judy Zeiss	Ted/Niki Duffy Lois Hundtoft		
8/4	8/4 Jan Gary Raasch/		Michelle Cegon/	Dave Graham	
		Eric Werner	Joanne Ausing		
8/11	8/11 Char John/Verna Arnold		Dave/Marge Graham	Judy Zeiss	
8/18 Michelle Elaine Hofslien/		Elaine Hofslien/	Michelle Cegon/	Jeannie Volpe	
		Mary Marsh	Donna Watkins		
8/25	3/25 Char Carolyn Wertman/		Bob/Judy Zeiss	Sandy Weidling	
		Brenda Taylor			

Attendance last week June 30, 2024 84 @ 9:30am. 14 views on Youtube and 340 views on Facebook.

CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Monday 7/8	9:00 am	Glorious Quilters	Fellowship Hall
Monday 7/8	12:30 pm	Bible Study	Pastor's Home
Tuesday 7/9	7:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Tuesday 7/9	1:00 pm	Social Group	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 7/10	4:45 pm	Bells of Glory	Sanctuary
Wednesday 7/10	6:00 pm	Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday 7/11	10:00 am	Craft Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
Friday 7/12	8:00am	ТОР	Fellowship Hall
Friday 7/12	10:00 am	Spanish/English Conversation	Fellowship Classroom
Friday 7/12	1:00 pm	Social Group	Fellowship Hall
Friday 7/12	6:00 pm	Women's AA	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday7/13	9:00 am	TOPS	Fellowship Classroom
Sunday 7/14	9:30 am	Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday 7/14	12:00 pm	GriefShare	Fellowship Classroom

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