

7th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

July 19th, 2020

*“Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!”*

Psalms 139:23

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, let us praise the Lord!

P: Let us shout our songs of thanksgiving to Almighty God!

L: For God has done wonderful things for us.

P: God’s love and blessings have been showered upon us.

L: Come, let us praise the Lord!

P: Let us sing songs of great joy to God. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN**

“God of Grace and God of Glory” - 9 AM

No. 435

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” - 9 AM

No. 139

“The Stand” - 11 AM

“Amazing Grace” – 11 AM

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord God, we rejoice in your resurrection and in your promise to return. Help us live today as people who await the fulfillment of your kingdom. We confess we often look for comfort outside of you. Bend our knees to the hard work of prayer, worship, repentance, and intercession. Throughout history you have used the seemingly weak to nurture justice, to fight poverty, and to walk bravely toward human thrones of power proclaiming another way. Help us find comfort and hope in our afflictions, knowing you are present with us always. In the name of Jesus, our Savior, Amen.

(Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

No. 813

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 53:4-6

ANTHEM

“HE”

Julie Freehling

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:1-11

SERMON

“The Tenants”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN**

“Amazing Grace” – 9 AM

No. 343

“Cornerstone” – 11 AM

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TUESDAY 21st: 1 PM Charlotte's Small Group 1 PM Quilting
6 PM SummerBlast Craft & Water Night
FRIDAY 24th: 6 PM SummerBlast Family Picnic & Movie Night
SUNDAY 26th: 9 AM Worship Service 11 AM Worship Service

SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE RESERVATIONS – Please call or email the church office during office hours (Tues-Thurs 9 AM – 1 PM) to reserve your time slot. Reservations can now be made **thru August 23rd!**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES AT SUNDAY WORSHIP! We are offering nursery care and junior church programs at our 11'oclock service only until further notice. We are still looking for help with our Junior church program. Summer curriculum is simplified and a lot of fun with the kids for about 20 minutes downstairs in the fellowship hall as it is cooler during the summer. If you would like to volunteer contact Mike Barton.

SUMMERBLAST – The 2-day outdoor event is this week! Tuesday, July 21st from 6 PM to 8 PM is Craft & Water Night. Friday, July 24th is Family Picnic & Movie Night from 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM. These events will be held only if the weather permits. Notify Mike Barton if you plan to attend.

VBS – Vacation Bible School is planned for July 27th - 31st, 2020 from 5:45 PM-7:45 PM. All activities will be held outdoors. VBS will be cancelled any day weather does not permit us to be outdoors.

COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS – Will not meet July 22nd and July 29th. Coffee & Conversations will resume August 5th.

BAKERS NEEDED – August 2nd is the collection date for dessert donations for Connoquenessing Meals on Wheels Program. If you can help, a signup sheet is in the library. Each item should be identified by baked good and date; please have it wrapped and freezer ready. No icing (icing on the side) or nuts. Please place items on the bench outside of Room 15. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE – All Church Picnic on August 30th at 10 AM! Picnic will be outdoors. Bring a lunch.

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