7th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM July 7th, 2024

2 He said to me, "Son of man, stand up on your feet and I will speak to you." ² As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. Ezekiel 2:1-5

PRELUDE Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

P: How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

L: "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?"

P: "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"

All: For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth" No. 182

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we know Your Word, and value Your love, but we don't find it natural to trust Your purposes, especially when tests and trials interrupt our plans. When we doubt Your goodness, forgive us. When we question Your loving presence, forgive us. Remind us of the trials and tests You faced, taking our sin to the cross so that we might be reconciled to You now and forever. Renew us in the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord we pray, Amen. (Silent Confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel **P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

*CONFESSION RESPONSE: "Behold the Lamb"

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Morning Has Broken/It Is Well"

By: Lori McCann & Sarah Murtha

*OFFERING RESPONSE:

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 42:1-4

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Patriotic Medley"

By: Lori McCann & Sarah Murtha

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 13:6-17

SERMON

"Called to be an Everyday Hero"

Michael Barton, CLP

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*HYMN "Jesus Paid It All"

No. 305

COMMUNION

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*HYMN

"In Christ Alone"

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

*Those who are able please stand.

Ushers: Deacons

Greeters: Cora Murtha

Welcome Desk:

Fellowship Hour: Julie & Kay Freehling

Liturgist: Autumn Moore

Child Care: Jesse Titus

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR			
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship & Communion	
-	6-7:30 PM	Youth Group	
	6 PM	Women's Bible Study	
Mon-Fri:	10-3 PM	Summer Blast (10-1 Fri)	
Monday:	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study	
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting	
Saturday:	9 AM	Men's Breakfast @ Mac's Cafe	
July 14th:	10 AM	Worship	

SAVE THE DATE- The all church picnic will be Sunday, August 18th at 12:00 PM at the Slear's property. The deacons will be providing the meat. Please bring a salad, side, or dessert to share. There is a signup sheet in the library for an estimated count.

SUMMERBLAST- This week from Monday through Friday at the Slear's property.

YOUTH GROUP LAKE DAY- Will be on Monday July 15th, we will meet at the church at 9:30 AM. Please see Pastor Mike to sign up and for more details.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-If you are volunteering for VBS, please join Laura in the Youth Room before worship at 9:30AM on Sunday, July 14th for a brief informational meeting. If you are unable to attend, please reach out to Laura Franklin by email or phone for necessary information. kidsmin@meridianpres.org

HELPERS NEEDED- If you are able to help set up decorations after church on Sunday, July 28th, please come down to McCaslin Hall after worship for materials and instructions.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION- No Wednesday bible study this week due to Summer Blast.

SABBATICAL UPDATE-While Pastor Steve is gone over the next 3 months please contact the following people for specific needs:

Pastoral care- Tim Rausch at plnc@zoominternet.net
Day to day operations- Kala Siefker at secretary@meridianpres.org
Kids & women's ministry needs- Laura Franklin kidsmin@meridianpres.org
Personell or budget issues- Mark Jordan at mfjordan@att.net
Property needs- any Trustee

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