

10:00 AM

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

*<sup>1</sup> In you, Lord my God, I put my trust.<sup>2</sup> I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.*

Psalm 25:1-2

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 145)

L: I will exalt you, my God the King;

P: I will praise your name for ever and ever.

L: Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

P: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMNS

“A Mighty Fortress”

No. 151

“Be Still My Soul”

No. 712

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your unfailing love. We come to You with a broken spirit and contrite heart. Our sin is always before us, and we know that we are prone to wander. You desire faithfulness from us, but we often fail. Forgive and cleanse us by Your grace so that we will be whiter than snow. Create in us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation, as we receive Your mercy and grace. In the Name of Jesus 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:

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Trumpet By: Shelley Patrick

\*OFFERING RESPONSE:

“Doxology”

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Joshua 1:7-9

SPECIAL MUSIC

Trumpet By: Shelley Patrick

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 4:35-41

SERMON

“Why Are You Afraid?”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

\*CONFESSION OF FAITH

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*HYMN

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

\*Those who are able please stand.



Ushers: Trustees

Welcome Desk: Autumn Moore

Liturgist: Charlotte Smedley

Greeters: Cathy & Jim Woller

Fellowship Hour: Cathy Woller

Childcare:

<b><u>THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR</u></b>		
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>10 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Monday:</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Men's Bible Study</b>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>1 PM</b>	<b>Quilting</b>
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>9 AM</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Conversation</b>
	<b>7 PM</b>	<b>College &amp; Career Bible Study</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>10 AM</b>	<b>Grief Fellowship Hour</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>10 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>12 PM</b>	<b>Community Lunch @ St. Andrews</b>

**SUMMERBLAST-** A big thank you to Nancy Slear for letting us host another great year of Summer Blast at her property. Also thank you to all of our volunteers that helped Pastor Mike and Laura run a successful camp with over 40 kids from our church and community.

**YOUTH GROUP LAKE DAY-** Our Youth Group will be having their annual Lake Day at Moraine on Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Please see Pastor Mike to sign up and for more details.

**SAVE THE DATE-** Church picnic will be Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 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 on the table for an estimated count.

**FISHBONE MINISTRY DONATIONS-** Tonya Reynolds will be collecting new and gently used clothing for the boys and girls at Fishbone Ministries grades kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup>. A list of additional items needed coming soon. We will be collecting from now until July 25<sup>th</sup> in the rear narthex. We will be meeting on Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM for a time of fellowship, packing, and praying.

**VACTION BIBLE SCHOOL SNACK DONATIONS-** There is a signup sheet on the table for supplies needed for this year's VBS. Please see Laura Franklin with any questions. We will also need volunteers to help decorate after church on July 20<sup>th</sup>.

**CHURCH SURVEY-** Please fill out the church survey sent by our discernment team by today. This is a vitally important step in our process to plan for the future of our church. **Paper copies are available on the signup table for those who cannot complete the survey online. Please turn surveys into the secretary's mailbox.**

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