13th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM September 7th, 2025

¹ You have searched me, Lord, and you know me ² You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. Psalm 139:1-2

PRELUDE Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 116)

L: I love the Lord, for he has heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy.

P: Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.

L: What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?

P: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

L: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

ALL: We come to worship the Lord who loves us with an everlasting love!

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN "Open My Eyes That I May See"

No. 563

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, You have loved us with a love that never ends, but we confess that we have not always loved You in return. You call us to feed Your sheep, yet we chase after our own desires. You ask us to follow, but we wander our own paths. Forgive us, Lord. Draw us back to the heart of Your love, restore us by Your grace, and teach us to live as Your disciples, loving You and serving others in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen. (Silent Confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel!

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*CONFESSION RESPONSE: "Create in Me a Clean Heart"

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*OFFERING RESPONSE: "Doxology"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Jeremiah 31:3

ANTHEM "Worship You Alone" Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON John 21:15-19

SERMON "Do You Love Me?" Michael Barton, CLP

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*HYMN "Jesus Paid it All" No. 305

COMMUNION

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*HYMN "More Love to Thee" No. 634

POSTLUDE Debbe Picerno

*Those who are able please stand.

The chancel flowers today are presented by Chris, Jennifer, & Graceyn McKain in loving memory of their mother and grandmother, Frances Strobel.

Ushers: Deacons Greeters: Cindy Musko

Welcome Desk: Ed & Ruth Monnie
Liturgist: Autumn Moore

Fellowship Hour: Katie Schultz
Child Care: Sarah Murtha

	<u>I</u>	'HIS WEEK'S CALENDAR	
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship & Communion	
	11 AM	Sunday School	
	6-8 PM	Youth Group	
Monday:	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study	
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting	
	6:30 PM	Session Meeting	
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation	
	6:30 PM	Choir	
Thursday:	6 PM	Women's Bible Study	
Friday:	10 AM	Women's Bible Study	
Saturday:	9 AM	Men's Breakfast @ Mac's Cafe	
	10 AM	Grief Fellowship Hour	
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship	

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF-</u> Sunday School will resume today after worship. Communion class will meet in Parker Hall and confirmation class will meet in the Library, as well as classes for all children and teens in the education wing.

HYGIENE KITS- We will be collecting items (individually packaged toothbrushes, full size toothpaste, hand towels, bar of soap, 3-4 oz shampoo, 3-4 oz conditioner, combs, & full size stick deodorant) for 200 hygiene kits for Convoy of Hope. There is a signup sheet with more info. Please place all items in the bin in the rear narthex by Sept 14th.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY- We will be starting a new women's bible study on the book of Habakkuk on Thursday September 11th at 6 PM or Friday, September 12th at 10 AM. Please pickup your book from the bookshelf in the gathering space.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT- Save the date for our family movie night at the church on Friday, September 19th at 5:30 PM. We will be serving pizza and popcorn and watching King of Kings. There is a signup sheet in the fellowship room if you would like to join us!

<u>CARE TEAM MEETING-</u> The Home Visitation Team will meet next Sunday, Sept 14th following worship.

TRUNK OR TREAT- We need volunteers for Trunk or Treat on Saturday, Oct 18th from 4-6 PM. We need people to help with setup, cleanup, parking, kitchen, and donating cookies. Also, those who would like to bring a decorated car and pass out candy! Sign up in the fellowship room.

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