# 19th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

<sup>5</sup> The Lord watches over you— the Lord is your shade at your right hand; <sup>6</sup> the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night. Psalm 121:5-6

PRELUDE Debbe Picerno

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

P: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

P: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMNS "Come, Christian Join to Sing" No. 225
"It Was Finished Upon That Cross"

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, We confess that we are quick to notice the faults of others while overlooking our own. We are hasty to accuse but slow to extend grace. We throw stones instead of offering forgiveness. Forgive us, Lord. Teach us to live out the grace You have poured into our lives. Call us to deeper holiness and greater humility. Shape us into people of integrity, so that our words and actions may reflect Your love. In Jesus' name 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** 

\*OFFERING RESPONSE: "Seek Ye First"

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**CHILDREN'S SERMON** 

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 5:11-6:12

**ANTHEM** "Anchored to the Rock"

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Hebrews 6:13-20** 

**By: Choir** 

SERMON

"An Anchor for the Soul"

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

\*CONFESSION OF FAITH

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*HYMN "Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor"

POSTLUDE Debbe Picerno

\*Those who are able please stand.

Ushers: Elders Greeters: Pam Greb

Welcome Desk: Cindy Musko Fellowship Hour: Bonnie Fiel Liturgist: Bonnie Fiel Childcare: Cindy Palladino

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR		
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship
-	11 AM	Sunday School & Special Care Team Meeting
	12-2 PM	Club 35
	6-8 PM	Youth Group @ Lyon's Farm
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
·	6:30 PM	Choir
Thursday:	5:30 PM	55+ Dinner
	6 PM	Women's Bible Study
Friday:	10 AM	Women's Bible Study
Saturday:	10 AM	Grief Fellowship Hour

TRUNK OR TREAT- Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's event a big success.

<u>CALLING ALL 3RD GRADERS</u>- We will be presenting our third graders with Bibles in worship on October 26th. Please reach out to Laura Franklin if you have a child that is of this age or older who has not received a Bible yet.

**NEW MEMBERS**- Will be recognized next week on October 26<sup>th</sup> during worship. If you have taken the new members class and would like to join please notify the office if you haven't already.

<u>FISHBONE DINNER</u>- Volunteers and supplies are needed for our next Fishbone dinner, Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5 PM. There is a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Room.

<u>CHRONOLOGICALLY SUPERIOR DINNER</u>- We will be hosting a 55 and older dinner on Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Sign up in the fellowship room.

**SAVE THE DATE-** Our annual congregational meeting will be Sun, Nov 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 AM.

<u>CHILI COOKOFF & TAILGATE-</u> Will be on Sunday, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> at noon following Sunday School. There is a signup sheet with more information in the fellowship room.

SHUT IN STOCKINGS- The Meridian Care Team will be collecting items for Christmas stockings for our congregations' shut ins through Dec 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be a box in Tim's office (near Parker Hall). Ideas include, dried fruit, candy, chips, tea bags, devotionals, slipper socks, chapstick, tissues, puzzle books, lotion, toothbrushes, etc.

<u>PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH</u>- During the month of October, we take time to recognize and honor the dedication and sacrifices our pastors and their families make in service to our church community. Boxes will be placed in the fellowship room outside the office to collect cards or notes of thanks for Pastor Steve and Pastor Mike if you would like to express your gratitude.

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