

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

June 22, 2025  
Proper 7

*\*Those who are able, please stand.  
Please silence cell phones.  
Please sign the blue friendship pad at the end of the pew.*

GATHERING IN GOD’S PRESENCE

Chiming Of The Hour (Prepare your hearts for worship)

Welcome

One: “The Lord be with you.”  
All: “And also with you.”

\*Call to Worship

One: When forces in the world threaten us, when our bodies or spirits turn against us, there is One who seeks us,

All: One who meets us, One who heals us, whose love washes over us and sets us free for joy.

One: This One is the Lord. Come, let us worship God.

\*Hymn 317 “In Christ There Is No East or West”  
MC KEE

Prayer of Confession (John 6, Colossians 3)

All: Holy One, God Most High, grant us faith to confess our sins and seek your mercy. There are barren places in our lives where we have wandered far from you. We have listened to voices who distracted us from your call. We have submitted to powers competing for our loyalty to you. God our Savior, forgive us. Feed us with your word. Deliver us from evil. Let us enter into your kingdom; then send us out to serve you by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

(silent confession)

One: Christ Jesus is the bread of life, manna come down from heaven. Christ covers us with baptismal waters, so that our lives are hidden in him. This Jesus, the Son of the Most High God, is sovereign even over the powers of evil, so that his reign brings freedom and joy. Therefore, I declare to you by the power of the Holy Spirit, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

\*Gloria Patri Hymn #581

HEARING GOD’S WORD

Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 42 p. 487  
Epistle: Galatians 3:23-29 p. 178  
Gospel: Luke 8:26-39 p. 63

Sermon Rev. J. David Jordan

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Invitation to Discipleship

Prayer

Affirmation of Faith: (The Apostles’ Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again, he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of The People and The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory

\*Doxology Hymn #606

Prayer of Dedication

All: Triune God, through Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, you bring hope to the despairing, healing to the sick, and release from bondage to all who are oppressed by sin and evil. Direct our gifts to fulfill your purpose as we await the time when all creation is one in your love, by the grace of Jesus Christ and the community of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

\*Hymn 800 “Sometimes a Light Surprises”  
SALLEY GARDENS

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

Announcements

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Chorus

“Bind us together, Lord; bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord; bind us together, Lord; bind us together with love. There is only one God, there is only one King, and there is only one body; that is why we sing. Bind us together, Lord; bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord; bind us together, Lord; bind us together with love.”

Please greet each other as you leave with these words:  
“Grace to you.”

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesdays

Ladies Bible study will be on break for the summer.

Wednesdays

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sundays

9:30 a.m. Bob Thornton's Class: 2 lessons left in 2 Corinthians then we will take a break for the summer.

**Liturgist:** Bob Thornton

**Ushers:** Bill and Joann Keller, Barbara Quintrell

**Flowers:** Bonnie Fry

**Refreshments:** Christy Jordan and Peggy Thornton

**Elders :** Chuck Achuff, Frank Banks, Joe Fortune, Betty Powell, Shirley Schmelzinger, and Lynette Steritz

**Clerk of Session:** Dan Schmelzinger

**Deacons:** Jerry Atkins, Jane Miller, Barbara Quintrell, Dan Scott, Christine Seese, and Priscilla Taylor

**Nominating Committee:** Andy Clemons, Bonnie Fry, Christy Jordan, Betty, Powell, Barbara Quintrell, Mary Ann Sheehy, and Nathan Steritz

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**Welcome to Grace Presbyterian Church!**  
**Grace is a church for the community, and all of God’s people are welcome here.**

**In Our Prayers:** John and Susan Adams (Marsha Loftin), Asher Robinson, Jason Atkins (Jerry), Susan Atkins, Frank Ball, Ruth Ann Ball, the Barnes Family - Carey and his son Baron (Mary Ann Sheehy), Anna Claire Beavers (Marsha), Sarah Ellen Beavers (Marsha Loftin), Bill and Sandy (Dan Scott), Gretchen Blackwell, Emily Bond (Jared Dixon), Carmen, Cathy (Kristi Deutz), Lisa Conn, Trey Courtney, Jessica and Michael Couture's family (Margie), Patricia Crain (Ruth Ann Ball), Darren (Chris Yarbrough), Joan and Randy Davis, Mary Delasota (Bob Thornton), Mike Eason (Joey),Marvin Fuller (Kelly), Quincey Gamble (Marsha Loftin), Jim Hambright, Patrick Hawkins family (Shirley), Clara, Hogan (Shirley), Margaret Hunt (Jim Hambright), Irena (Gretchen Blackwell), Robert Ivy, Jenna (Reece Neidlinger), Cindy Johnson (Amanda Herrit), Doug Jones (Margie O’Byrne), Julia (Kristi Deutz), Justin (Carmen), Cynthia Kodua, Shelby Lee, Linda (Jaycey), Martha’s Family (Dan Scott), Reed Maurer, Anna McQuilken (Kristi Deutz), John Murray (Betty Banks), Eric Nelson (Katie), Mrs. Nichols (Lynette), Margie O’Byrne, Betty Powell, Mandy Power, Brenda Reagans (Kristie), Shirley Schmelzinger, Dustin Seymour, Kathy Silvio (Marsha Loftin), Nancy Smiley (Ruth Ann Ball), Jacob Stone (Nancy McCue), Susan (Ruth Ann Ball), Colleen Taylor, Ti (Shirley Schmelzinger), Viviana Torres, the family of John Trammel (Emma Teems), Carol Watkins, Bill and Sherry Weeks, Sandra White, Wilma & her husband (Sandy), Anonymous leukemia patient

**Assisted Living:** Sandy Grimes, Zoe Putnam

**Sympathy:** Family of Joan Ronsiek

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