

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2017

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER Pastor and Congregation

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor and Congregation

LEADER: God of all, we have come together as your people.

PEOPLE: We come as a praising people, singing your goodness;

LEADER: We come as a hungry people, longing to be fed;

PEOPLE: We come as a praying people, bringing our needs, our joys;

LEADER: We come as a journeying people, looking for direction.

PEOPLE: In this hour, empower us for faithful living.

ALL : God of all, we have come to worship You.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP ... "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"389

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Ephesians 2:11-16*Molly Abbott

¹So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it.

HYMN ... "This Is My Song" ... *words are on screen* 697

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rebecca Blake

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wise and powerful God, you have given us your light and truth to guide us through confusion, yet we have relied instead on our human wisdom and have lost our way. You offer to share our burdens and give us your strength, yet we trust in our own efforts and find ourselves exhausted. Forgive us, and bring us back into your presence, O God; overcome our separation from one another and from you. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

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MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY HYMN ... "We Are Travelers on a Journey" 278

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Ephesians 2:17-22* Molly Abbott

So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

SPECIAL MUSIC ... "All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

Pat McBride and David Kellis

SERMON Pastor

CLOSING HYMN ... "They'll Know We Are Christians"... *vs. 1 and 3* 272

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

CALENDAR

TODAY

9:00 a.m. BREAKFAST

9:30 a.m.*after breakfast* Building and Grounds Committee Meeting

5:00 p.m. Special Events Committee Meeting

MONDAY

7:00 p.m. Monday Church Night Swim at Park

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. Ice Cream Supper and Business Meeting

Bring your favorite ice cream... we will provide the toppings!

NEXT SUNDAY

5:00 p.m. Member Care and Bereavement Committee Meeting

USHERS

TODAY Dwight Saunders' Team
NEXT SUNDAY Eugene Crisco's Team

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TODAY Shannon and Jeff Robinson
NEXT SUNDAY Chris and Barbie Blake

NURSERY

TODAY Lesa Speer and Laura Flach
NEXT SUNDAY Barbara Smith and Mary Williams

PRAYER LIST

Church family: Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Rodney Loflin, Karen Dailey, Barbara Lynthacum, Gary McCaskill, Sarah Jo Wall, Florence Cagle, Frances Hudson			Mary James	Benny McBride	friend
At Home: Helen Greene, Violet Epps, Irene Warner				Bob Moore	nephew
Friends and Relatives of: Molly/Wayne Abbott			Butch/Nancy Jenkins	Pam, Ken Morgan	niece, nephew
	Monnie Jenkins	friend	Candy Loflin	John Moore	Nancy's father
	Tony Lawson	friend		Cristie Thomas	friend
	Toni Atcheson	sister		Beth Holt	friend
	Tammy Laprade	sister		Misty Morgan	friend.
Jane Covington	Faye	sister	Max/Jane Luquire	Iris Luquire	sister-in-law
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law		Jo Brooks	friend
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law	Barbara Lynthacum	J.D. Thompson	nephew
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters		Melissa Green	daughter
Mildred Grey	Ernestine Stevenson	friend	Jean Maness	Helen Mabe	aunt
Garrett Gooch	Mary Chunn	grandmother		Carol Luther	friend
Ray, Frances Hudson		daughter	Sylvia McAlister	Tammy Parker	friend
Paul/Thelma Hussey	Harold Johnson	brother	Pat/Bob Morgan	Jesse Wallace	friend
	Meryl Johnson	sister-in-law	Jeff Robinson	June Spears	friend
	Mildred Hunsucker	friend	Nancy Ruppert	Marie Spoon	sister
			Barbara Smith	Laura Wilson	friend
				Doris Hinson	friend
			Service Personnel: Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart		