



THE LORD'S SERVICE July 5, 2026

Gathering & Hospitality
Welcome & Announcements

Welcome! If you would like to receive our E-announcements, leave your contact info (including email) at the welcome stand. Please reference the insert for upcoming events and announcements.



THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS SPECIAL PRESENCE

****Call to Worship***

Psalm 145.10, 15-21 (ESV)

*O Lord, All your works shall give thanks to you,
and all your saints shall bless you!*

**The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand;
you satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

*The Lord is righteous in all his ways
and kind in all his works.*

*The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.*

**My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

***Songs of Praise**

“Hallelujah Praise Jehovah”

William Allen (1835)

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise;
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend;
He shall die, to dust returning and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid;
He is blest whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed.
Heaven and earth the Lord created, seas and all that they contain;
He delivers from oppression, righteousness He will maintain

Food He daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning prisoner free,
Raises those bowed down with anguish, makes the sightless eyes to see,
Well Jehovah loves the righteous and the stranger He befriends,
Helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise
I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days.
Over all God reigns forever, through all ages He is King;
Unto Him, thy God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

Prayer

Scripture Reading

Psalm 16.1-2; 5-11 (ESV)

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

² I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord;
I have no good apart from you.”

⁵ The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;
you hold my lot.

⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

⁷ I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.

⁸ I have set the Lord always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.

¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
or let your holy one see corruption.

¹¹ You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

Annie Hawks (1872)

I need Thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

*I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; ev'ry hour I need Thee;
Oh, bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.*

I need Thee ev'ry hour, stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh.

Chorus

I need Thee ev'ry hour, in joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide or life is vain.

Chorus

I need Thee ev'ry hour, teach me Thy will;
And Thy rich promises in me fulfill.

Chorus



THE LORD CLEANSSES US

† *Confession of Sin*

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love,
For they have been from of old.
Remember not the sins of our youth or our transgressions;
According to your steadfast love remember us,
For the sake of your goodness, O Lord!
For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon our guilt, for it is great.
The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear you,
And you make known to them your covenant.
Our eyes are ever toward you, O Lord,
For you will pluck our feet out of the net.
Turn to us and be gracious to us, for we are lonely and afflicted.
The troubles of our hearts are enlarged;
Bring us out of our distresses.
Consider our affliction and our trouble, and forgive all our sins.
Redeem us, O God, out of all our troubles,
Through Jesus Christ, our Savior. (based on Psalm 25)

***Declaration of Forgiveness**

Psalm 103:8-12 (ESV)

*The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.*

**For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**

Missions Update

Amy Markwalter
Mission To The World
Member Care Children's Ministry Specialist

***Prayer of Petition**

Leader: Lord, in your mercy;

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: And now let us offer the prayer that our Lord has taught us:

All: Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.

Children's Homily

Dismissal to Little Sprouts. (Available for kids 3-PreK, to be picked up at the beginning of the Lord's Supper. Drop-off and pick-up are as you exit the sanctuary.)



THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

**Scripture Reading*

Ecclesiastes 2.1-11

Pastor: This is the word of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Jim Powell

Testing Hedonism. OR "I can't get no satisfaction, but I try."



THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Jesus Christ himself invites all true believers to his table. If you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a faithful member or adherent of this or some other congregation, recognizing its belonging to the fellowship of Christian believers, please know how welcome you are to eat this gracious meal with us. By taking the bread and the wine, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in God's sovereign mercy, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for your salvation. If you have any questions about your participation in the Lord's Supper, please speak to one of our elders.

"I Set My Hope On Jesus"

Getty, Boswell, Papa (2023)

When this life of trials tests my faith I set my hope on Jesus
When the questions come and doubts remain I set my hope on Jesus
For the deepest wounds that time won't heal
There's a joy that runs still deeper
There's a truth that's more than all I feel I set my hope on Jesus

*I set my hope on Jesus
My rock, my only trust
Who set His heart upon me first
I set my hope on Jesus*

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Though I falter in this war with sin, I set my hope on Jesus
When I fail the fight and sink within I set my hope on Jesus
Though the shame would drown me in its sea
And I dread the waves of justice
I will cast my life on Calvary, I set my hope on Jesus

*I set my hope on Jesus
My rock, my only trust
Who set His heart upon me first
I set my hope on Jesus*

Though the world call me to leave my Lord, I set my hope on Jesus
Though it offer all its vain rewards, I set my hope on Jesus
Though this heart of mine is prone to stray
Give me grace enough to finish
'Till I worship on that final day, I set my hope on Jesus

Chorus

***We Confess Our Faith**

Heidelberg Catechism (1563), Q & A 1

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.

Collection of Offerings

Leader: *What gifts do you offer to your Lord in response to His grace?*

**People: We offer ourselves through praise and thanksgiving,
We offer our prayers and offerings for the sake of the world.**

“Romans 11”

Andrew Peterson (2014)

Oh the depth of the riches and the wisdom and knowledge of God
How unsearchable His judgments, how untraceable His paths
Who knows the mind of our God? Who could bring counsel to Him?
Who has given to God that God should repay?
For from Him through Him to Him is everything

*To God be the glory forever and ever
To God be the glory forever a men*

***Hymn of Response** “Satisfied”

Henry Francis Lyte (1824)

All my life long I had panted for a drink from some cool spring
That I hoped would quench the burning of the thirst I felt within

*Hallelujah He has found me
The One my soul so long has craved
Jesus satisfies all my longings
Through His blood I now am saved*

Feeding on the filth around me till my strength was almost gone
Longed my soul for something better only still to hunger on

Chorus

Poor I was and sought for riches, something that would satisfy
But the dust I gathered 'round me only mocked my soul's sad cry

Chorus

Well of water ever springing, Bread of Life so rich and free
Untold wealth that never faileth my Redeemer is to me

Chorus



THE LORD BLESSES AND COMMISSIONS US

***Benediction**

** all who are able, please stand
† all who are able, please kneel*

Most people, if they had really learned to look into their own hearts, would know that what they do want, and want acutely, is something that cannot be had in this world. There are all sorts of things in this world that offer to give it to you, but they never quite keep their promise. The longings which are in us when we first fall in love, or first think of some foreign country, or first take up some subject that excites us, are longings which no marriage, no travel, no learning, can really satisfy... There was something we grasped at, in that first moment of longing, which just fades away in the reality.

It would seem that our Lord finds our desires not too strong, but too weak. We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea.

We are far too easily pleased.

C. S. Lewis

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UPCOMING

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TODAY & AUG 2, 8AM, 3RD FLOOR | SUMMER CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER: Join us for a 30 minute time of prayer for our families, for Christ's church, as well as for our community and world.



SAT, JULY 18, 2 PM | WEDDING SHOWER FOR EMMA CADE MARSHALL: Ladies, please join us as we celebrate Emma Cade's Pending Nuptials! We will meet here at the church. Use the QR to see the registry.

WED, JULY 22 @ 7PM | MEN'S NIGHT @ DOUGHBOYS BASEBALL GAME: Guys of all ages- join us to watch the Doughboys baseball game! \$22 gets you a ticket & all-you-can-eat Southern Craft BBQ! Spots are limited, register online ASAP.



FRI, JULY 24, 7PM | GIRLS' HANG OUT: Ladies, this Summer we have monthly opportunities to gather for fellowship! For July, we are gathering at Lindsey Harman's- 1305 Iris Ave @ 7pm. Bring a snack or sweet to share (if desired) & your bathing suit to take a dip in the pool! RSVP with QR code.

THUR, JULY 30 | WETLANDS WATER PARK: We've rented the waterpark, and we hope you can join us! The church will provide waters and popsicles; eat beforehand or bring your own picnic dinner. Suggested donation of \$5 per person (or \$20 per family). You can put cash or check in an envelope marked for Wetlands or pay during the registration process. Reach out to Shannon with questions or for more info! Use QR code to RSVP.



SUN, AUG 2, AFTER 2ND SERVICE | STUDENT MINISTRY KICK-OFF: Middle and high school students, join us August 2nd after second service for our student ministry kickoff! Please register so we can have a head count for lunch. Students can be picked up at 2:30.

SATURDAYS @ 9AM | TWEETSIE TRAIL WALKS: Ladies, meet at the entrance at the JC Tweetsie Trailhead for walking and talking! Every Saturday though August, except July 4th.

SCHEDULE

EACH LORD'S DAY

8:45-10:00, 1st Worship Service
10:10-10:50, Classes & Fellowship
11-12:15, 2nd Worship Service

Adult Classes

Fullbright Community Group: 2nd Floor, 10:10-10:50
Theological & Topical Teaching: Sanctuary, 10:10-10:50
Basic Biblical Greek: 3rd Floor, 10:10-10:50

Children's Classes, 10:10-10:50

K-5th: Summer Kid's Class, Elaine DeVusser 2nd Floor

Youth Classes

Middle School (6th-8th): On Summer Break
High School (9th-12th): On Summer Break



FAMILIES AND CHILDREN:

We are thankful to be an intergenerational congregation that prioritizes family worship. We love little ones in our gathered worship learning the rhythm of corporate worship.

FRONT ROOM & 2ND FLOOR LARGE CLASSROOM: A live stream of the service is available in the front room & on the second floor in the large classroom.

NURSERY: On 2nd floor for children under 3, for the duration of the worship services.

LITTLE SPROUTS (3-PREK): On 2nd floor, during the sermon with age-appropriate teaching. Check your child in/out of class in the front room (after children's homily & before Communion).

COMMUNING MEMBERSHIP: If you or your child is ready to profess faith in Christ and partake of the Lord's Supper, please contact Pastor AJ (or any elder), so we can arrange a time to talk.

MEN

WEDNESDAYS @ 8AM | MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Scriptural study for the upcoming sermon on the CCC 2nd floor. Bring your Bible and coffee, and contact Paul Gorman (423-483-8782) if planning to attend for the first time, as the location can change.

WOMEN

TUESDAYS, 3-4:30PM | WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: Join us as we use Sarah Ivill's book to study Colossian over 8 weeks! Led by Krista Babel. Childcare is provided.

JOIN THE WOMEN'S GROUPME CHAT



Stay up to date!

This is where you will find all of the upcoming info for showers, girls nights, tweetsie trail walks, Summer bible study & more!



Click or scan to join!

MISSIONS PARTNER: KIKE AND BRITTANY ASTORGA. The Astorga family is here for the summer as they raise support so they can continue their work with Campus Outreach in Guadalajara, Mexico. If you would like to support their ministry please scan the QR & consider connecting them with other Christians in your circles! Kike's email is elifelet.astorga@campusoutreach.org.



I said in my heart, "Come now, I will test you with pleasure; enjoy yourself." But behold, this also was vanity. ² I said of laughter, "It is mad," and of pleasure, "What use is it?" ³ I searched with my heart how to cheer my body with wine—my heart still guiding me with wisdom—and how to lay hold on folly, till I might see what was good for the children of man to do under heaven during the few days of their life. ⁴ I made great works. I built houses and planted vineyards for myself. ⁵ I made myself gardens and parks, and planted in them all kinds of fruit trees. ⁶ I made myself pools from which to water the forest of growing trees. ⁷ I bought male and female slaves, and had slaves who were born in my house. I had also great possessions of herds and flocks, more than any who had been before me in Jerusalem. ⁸ I also gathered for myself silver and gold and the treasure of kings and provinces. I got singers, both men and women, and many concubines, the delight of the sons of man.

⁹ So I became great and surpassed all who were before me in Jerusalem. Also my wisdom remained with me. ¹⁰ And whatever my eyes desired I did not keep from them. I kept my heart from no pleasure, for my heart found pleasure in all my toil, and this was my reward for all my toil. ¹¹ Then I considered all that my hands had done and the toil I had expended in doing it, and behold, all was vanity and a striving after wind, and there was nothing to be gained under the sun. (ESV)

Testing Hedonism. OR "I can't get no satisfaction, but I try."

Heart. | Enjoy yourself- pleasure to the edge. (v.1-3)

Life. | Expand yourself- creating and consuming to the extreme. (v.4-8)

Gain? | Spare yourself- Nothing. (v.9-11)