

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2026

Greetings and Welcome

Prelude by the Youth – “House of the Lord,” by Phil Wickham

GATHERING

Call to Worship

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Gathering Song – “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”

(piano)

Refrain: Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God. Come.

One day every tongue will confess you are God.

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those,

Who gladly trust you now. Refrain

**Greeting*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

**Prayer of the Day*

P: Loving God, your grace flows through our lives, from the waters of Baptism to the work of your Spirit in our youth. We celebrate your Spirit and give thanks for the new life we have every day through your grace. Set us ablaze to live this good news and share it with others, in the name of your Son, Jesus.

C: Amen.

**Sharing Christ's Peace*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

All are invited to share the peace of Christ with one another.

Children's Sermon

Hymn of Praise: “Here I Am to Worship”

(piano)

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

Refrain: Here I am to worship; Here I am to bow down;
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created, all for love's sake became poor. *Refrain*

And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross.
And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross. *Refrain*

WORD

Reading: Romans 6:1-4

Reader: Barb Davenport

¹What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase?
²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.

R: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading:* Mark 1:9-11

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.
¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove upon him. ¹¹And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

P: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon: "What About Worship? God Moves!"

Song of the Day – "Your Grace Is Enough"

(piano)

1. **Great is your faithfulness, O God of Jacob;
you wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.
You lead me by still waters into mercy where nothing can keep us apart.**

*Refrain: So remember your people, remember your children,
remember your promise, O God.*

*For your grace is enough, your grace is enough,
your grace is enough, your grace is enough for me.*

2. **Great is your love and justice, God of Jacob; you use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of heaven's vict'ry, and all your people sing along.**

Refrain twice

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation

All gather at the font.

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Godparents: We present Jack Edward Nelson for baptism.

Presiding minister addresses parents:

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Parents: We do.

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
place in his hands the Holy Scriptures,
and nurture him in faith and prayer,
so that he may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

P: Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: We do.

Presiding minister addresses Godparents:

P: Ereka, Gabriella, and Nicklaus, do you promise to nurture Jack in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Godparents: We do.

Presiding minister addresses the assembly:

P: People of God, do you promise to support Jack and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

C: We do.

***Profession of Faith**

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God,
the powers of this world that rebel against God,
and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, God the Son?

**C: 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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: 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.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Water is poured into the font...

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Baptism

Jack Edward Nelson, I baptize you in the name of the Father... and of the Son... and of the Holy Spirit.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Jack with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Jack, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Welcome

Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ, into this Faith Family, and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God’s creative and redeeming word to all the world!

**Prayers of Intercession*

Stewardship Time

“Same God,” by Elevation Worship
by Marilyn Dichsen

—We now have Worship Cards in the pews. Please let us know if you are communing, share a prayer request, and place your card in the offering plate as a gesture of stewardship as we grow in relationship with God through the use of our time, talents, and finances—

**Offering Prayer*

P: Merciful God,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... and join their unending hymn:

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho - san-na.

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Communion Songs

“Be Thou My Vision”

(piano)

**1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
thou my best thought by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.**

Thou my great Father, I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

*Chorus: I want to see what You see and feel with Your heart;
I want to go where You lead; to be where You are.
Lord, You are my source; the beginning and the end.
So be Thou my vision, my treasure and friend.
Lord, be Thou my vision, my treasure and friend.*

**3. Riches I heed not, or man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou, and thou only, first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

Chorus

“Come Thou Fount, Come Thou King”

(piano)

**Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace.
Streams of mercy, never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory fill my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee; May I still thy good-ness prove.**

**I was lost in utter darkness 'til you came and rescued me.
I was bound by all my sin when your love came and set me free.**

**Now my soul can sing a new song, now my heart has found a home.
Now your grace is always with me, and I'll never be alone.**

Refrain:

**Come, thou Fount, come, thou King; Come, thou precious Prince of Peace.
Hear your bride, to you we sing, come, thou Fount of our blessing.
Come, thou Fount, come, thou King; Come, thou precious Prince of Peace.
Hear your bride, to you we sing, come, thou Fount of our blessing.**

**O, to grace, how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be.
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.**

Refrain:

**Come, thou Fount, come, thou King; Come, thou precious Prince of Peace.
Hear your bride, to you we sing, come, thou Fount of our blessing.
Come, thou Fount, come, thou King; Come, thou precious Prince of Peace.
Hear your bride, to you we sing, come, thou Fount of our blessing.**

**Post-Communion Blessing*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

**Closing Prayer*

SENDING

**Benediction*

**P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor, and + give you peace.**

C: Amen.

**Sending Song – “Ablaze”*

(piano)

**1. Cold is the wind that blows in the night.
The darkness is deepest where there's no light.
Who will You send to carry the flame? Who will proclaim your name?**

**People are lost and don't even know it.
If we know the way, then why don't we show it?
Ignite the flame, O Lord fan the spark that we may shine in the dark.**

*Chorus: Set us ablaze, O Lord. Set us ablaze to tell Your story.
Shout aloud the hope of glory so that the lost will find the way.
Set us ablaze, O Lord, and fill your church with holy fire,
To share your love our one desire All our days. Set us ablaze.*

**2. For You, Lord, alone are the one who can save.
Your cross alone, and Your empty grave.
Hearts to renew, and sins to forgive that all of the world might live.
Ignite the flame, O Lord, send your Spirit,
that we proclaim, and that they may hear it
Send us to show them the way that is true.
Send us to lead them to You. Chorus twice**

**I've got a calling. I've got a mission.
Out of the boat and on with the fishing, Ablaze!
Hearts that are burning, minds that are learning,
filled with a yearning to see lives turning. Ablaze!**

**Dismissal*

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The altar plants are donated today by Patty Nelson
in celebration of Jack Nelson's baptism

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What's Coming Up at Faith?

Sunday, August 30, 9:30am: Indoor Worship + Baptism
Youth Sunday

11:00am: Youth Reception

Wednesday, September 2, 10:00am: Read the Bible in a Year Group – Faith Library

Saturday, September 5, 8:00am: Cooking for
9:00am: Men's Breakfast

Sunday, September 6, 9:30am: Outdoor Worship

September 7-11: Doorbell Dinners

Wednesday, September 9, 10:00am: Read the Bible in a Year Group – Faith Library

News Updates

Lay Ministry Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-Up Sheets are available at the podium in the gathering area. Please take a moment to sign up to be an Usher, Reader, Greeter, Communion Assistant, Coffee Host, Chancel Committee volunteer, and to Donate Altar Plants. **Thank You!** *We are Gifted to Serve!*

Summer Worship Schedule

We are alternating between outdoor and indoor worship services through the summer with one blended service each Sunday. We will be Outdoors for the final Outdoor Worship on September 6, and indoors after that. As always, outdoor services will move indoors in poor weather, and we have solid-surface seating available on the parking lot and air-conditioned seating indoors in the Justice Room.

Faith's Little Flock and Faith's Older Flock

We now have two groups of children meeting during worship on the Sundays we are inside. Faith's Little Flock is for children ages 2-7, and Faith's Older Flock is for children grades 1-6.

Youth Sunday August 30

Today we hear what our youth have been up to this summer. They've been on mission trips and camps from Gulf Shores, Alabama to the Rocky Mountains of Colorado, and lots of places in between. While the scenery has been very different, one thing has remained constant... God's faithfulness. Our youth will tell stories of where they experienced God and served as God's hands and feet. We will take a collection to support future youth mission trips, camps, and our efforts to hire a Children, Family, and Youth Coordinator to help grow this important ministry.

Doorbell Dinners – September 7-11

Help us deliver meals in the community. We are in need of drivers & deliverers to cover the needs of five routes — time commitment is 11:15-12:30 each day. For more information and to sign up, visit the sign-up counter by the Fair Trade coffee sales.

Read the Bible in a Year

Join us in reading the Bible over the course of a year, **Wednesdays at 10:00am in the Faith Library**. We gather weekly to discuss our insights and reflections. We are utilizing The Bible Recap by Tara-Leigh Cobble, available on the YouVersion Bible app, to guide our journey. For more information, feel free to reach out to Pam Devlin.

Post-Service Discussions – Digging Deeper

will resume after church on September 13 in the Justice Room. Join us for exploring the new sermon series based on the Lectionary.

SUNDAY SACK LUNCHES TO GO -- Help stop hunger in our community

The Jacksonville Area Conference of Churches is partnering with Go Church to collect food items for their ‘Sunday Sack Lunches to Go’ program, helping the hungry in the Jacksonville Area.

Collected supplies will be donated to Go Church to include in their food distribution program. Needed items include:

- Mixed Fruit Cups
- NutriGrain Breakfast Bars
- Quaker Chewy Granola Bars
- Nature Valley Trail Mix Bars
- Individual Packets of Cookies
- JIF To Go, Creamy Peanut Butter Cups
- Peanut Butter Cracker Variety Packs
- Tuna Salad with Crackers (Individual Servings)
- Chicken Salad with Cracker Packs (Individual Servings)
- Vanilla Pudding Cups
- Chocolate Pudding Cups
- Slim Jims

Monetary donations are appreciated and needed, with checks payable to ‘Go Church.’

Items will be collected **through September 20, 2026**. Supplies can be left in the blue collection box in the Mission & Ministry Center (coat closet).

Questions? Contact coordinator Pat Glyshaw at pat.glyshaw@gmail.com