

July 6th

Call to Worship

We gather today to worship the One who created us,

The One who calls us,

The One who equips us,

The One who loves us without end.

With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

Prayer of Confession: **Holy God, hear our prayer:**

For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;

For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;

For the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist;

For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us;

We pray for the courage to admit our fault,

The strength to amend our actions,

And the hope that your grace awaits us.

Through Christ we pray. Amen.

Scripture: 1 John 1:7

Galatians 6:2

Sermon: Church in 4cs: Connection and Community

July 13th

Call to Worship:

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice!

We tremble at God's awesome works!

The heavens proclaim God's righteousness!

The Lord is our guard and protector!

Light dawns and joy fills our hearts!

Rejoice in the Lord and give thanks!

Prayer of Confession: **Merciful God, you desire that the world might see your light shine through us. Yet we confess we are often too blinded by the glittering**

temptations of this world. We turn from your way, hurting the very ones we were called to serve, in our action and our inaction. We grow frustrated with each other, seeking to silence anything besides our own desires. We fail to see your righteousness and champion greed and discord in the name of power and popularity. Forgive us. Melt us and mold us into more faithful disciples, seeking your light, reflecting your mercy, and sharing your grace. Amen.

July 20th

Call to Worship:

As the sun rises in the morning,

As the cool breeze ushers in the evening,

As the heat of the noonday sun spreads across the land:

God is present with us.

Let us worship God.

Prayer of Confession: Holy God, gracious Creator, forgive us for not seeing the beauty that surrounds us. Forgive us when we look at screens rather than sunsets; forgive us when we read about a crisis and do not respond. Forgive us for thinking that we are the source of power and beauty and life. Turn us around, and give us new eyes to see; eyes to see hope in the clouds, eyes to see life in the blade of grass, to see power in the water and stone. This we pray in the name of Jesus, the beautiful Savior. Amen.

Scripture: Genesis 1: 1-13 and Psalm 65

Sermon: Creation Care: Plant a seed, plant a flower, plant a rose

July 27th

Call to Worship:

As the sun rises in the morning,

As the cool breeze ushers in the evening,

As the heat of the noonday sun spreads across the land:

God is present with us.

Let us worship God.

Prayer of confession: Holy God, we know that you created us in love, to enjoy this world and You, to serve your creation and your children. And we know that we do not do your will.

With clenched hands, we can neither give nor receive.

With eyes tight shut, we cannot see pain or beauty.
With feet of clay, we cannot dance in joy or run to help.
We ask for your help and your power to change. Open our hands and eyes, move
our feet, toward grace and hope and trust in You.
This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture: Genesis 1: 20-24, 31 and Matthew 6 (selected verses)

Sermon: Creation Care: All God's Critters Have a Place in the Choir