

Opening Prayer

God, move in us today. Help us to be open to your transforming love. Open our hearts to be present in this time of worship, that we may experience you and praise you fully.

Help us to let go of fears and judgments and ideas that hold us captive from freely experiencing your love through all of your creation. Transform our hearts through your word to receive and live your love in radical ways. Through Christ Jesus. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Opening Hymn

UMH #430

“O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”

Passing the Peace of Christ

“The Peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

Children’s Time

Scriptures

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Psalm 81: 1 & 10-16

Sing for joy to God our strength;
shout aloud to the God of Jacob!

I am the Lord your God,
who brought you up out of Egypt.
Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.
“But my people would not listen to me;
Israel would not submit to me.
So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts
to follow their own devices.
“If my people would only listen to me,
if Israel would only follow my ways,
how quickly I would subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes!
Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him,
and their punishment would last forever.
But you would be fed with the finest of wheat;
with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.”

Luke 14:1 & 7-14 (NIV)

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: “When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, ‘Give this person your seat.’ Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, ‘Friend, move up to a better place.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

Then Jesus said to his host, “When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message “Are We Humble Enough?” Pastor Peter Choi

Hymn

“Together We Serve”

TFWS#2175

Joys and Concerns

Prayer List: Lyra Johnson, Gary Smidt, Larry Anderson,
Lori Conyer’s Father, and Merlin Beahm.

Happy Birthday to Gary Smidt, Lonna Rowse,
and Cozette Sinsel.

Happy Anniversary to Tim & Susan Tunnell—22 years.

Pastoral Prayer—Lord's Prayer

Offertory Music

“Doxology “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Offertory Prayer

For all your good gifts, we give thanks, O God. We return what we can as best we can, in hopes that even this amount will contribute to changing the world for the better. Transform this offering into ministry that matters to those who need it most, we pray. Amen.

Closing Hymn “Here I Am, Lord” UMH#593

Benediction

Beloved of the Lord, go in peace, knowing that God's peace will be with you always. Go in service in God's world, helping those in need, sharing the gifts you have been given. Go in love, bring hope to all. AMEN.

Sending Forth

Postlude

Glen Haselbarth



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Order of Worship

10:00 a.m.

August 28, 2022

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

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Welcome and Announcements

1. We started bell choir practice last week. If you want to be a part of the bell choir, please get in touch with the church office or Mike Boudreau.
2. Children's school will be every Wednesday at 3:30 pm.
3. Nomination Committee will have a meeting at 7:00 pm this Tuesday.
4. Pastor Peter will attend a residency program in Junction City from this Sunday until Tuesday.
5. The deadline for the church conference will be Oct 3. Please prepare all paper works before the date.
6. Sign up sheets for Usher/Greeter, Refreshment Host, and Scripture Reader are in the back on the table please sign up for a time that works for you.
7. Join us for refreshments following worship.
8. Last week we received offerings of \$1,882. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

Call to Worship

L: With all your strength, sing aloud to the Lord, who has brought you here and blessed you.

P: Our voices shall shout forth praise and thanksgiving to God.

L: With all your heart, reach out in service to those in need, remembering God's mercy in your own life.

P: Our lives shall be witnesses to the love of God, which has been lavished upon us.

L: Come, let us worship the Lord with Great joy!

P: Let us bring all that we have and all that we are to God in gratitude. AMEN.