August 3, 2025 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 AM *Those who are able, please stand WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. This is the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost. We are following our Lectionary Series to look for the love and presence we feel when we gather together in our Church Community to sing and pray. Continue our service after church and join everyone for Coffee and Fellowship after Service in Fellowship Hall.

The flowers on the alter are given by Penna Smith in Memory of Paul Smith

Announcements:

August 4, 2025 - Free Lunch with North Main UMC, Nancy Egan, Nancy Marsh and Penna Smith

August 23, 2025 - 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon Annual Back Pack Give-a-Way..lf you would like to help with items for the bags, there is a list of needed items in the Bulletin today

Fall Mums Sale - Flyer in Bulletin Today - Final Day to Order August 31, 2025 Save the Date -Wednesday October 15, 2025...Spagetti Dinner with Bistro \$10.00 - Take Out Only..

MUSICAL PRELUDE: "Seek Ye First" Pianist Mavis Baldwin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

Seek and you will find whatever you need. Knock and the door will be opened to you. Ask and it will be given to you. God has promised us grace and forgiveness in the love of Jesus Christ. Come home again and be the people God intended. Praise God for being everything we need, for filling the emptiness of our lives! Praise God for teaching us how to pray each and every day. Amen

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come! Join the fellowship of God's people—people who gather as faithful disciples of Christ.

People: We seek the One who is trustworthy, the One who gives us what is good and right.

Leader: Come! Join the celebration of God's people—people of the One who was,

and is, and shall ever be.

People: Help us to open our hearts to God's words and will for us. Leader: Open your hearts and spirits to the refreshing love of God.

People: We raise our voices in praise and honor to God, and worship the One

who is faithful.

Leader: Praise be to God who loves and cares for us.

People: How grateful we are for God's presence and compassion. AMEN.

GATHERING SONG "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

UMH 496

<u>PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE</u> (In Unison) God of grace and glory, come and be known to us in our gathering together; come and be present in the songs we sing and in the prayers we raise. From the busy life we lead, we come to find once again that you are always present and always ready to receive us. As we affirm our faith this day, deepen the roots of our commitment, that we may learn your calling upon our lives. Surround us now with the love and comfort of your Holy Spirit and the direction and redemption of Christ. Amen.

TIME WITH GOD'S CHILDREN

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE "O Lord Hear My Prayer"

TFWS 2200

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "The Lord's Prayer" Chancel Choir

<u>DOXOLOGY</u> "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Before you, O God, we offer our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service. We lay our gifts before you in praise and thanksgiving for your many blessings. May these offerings continue the transforming work of your Spirit in and through our congregation, our community and the World. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.

SONG OF COMMITMENT "In Remembrance of Me" TFWS 2254

PSALTER READING Psalm 23 UMH 754

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostle's Creed UMH 881

GLORIA PATRI (We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible) UMH 70

SCRIPTURE READINGS Colossians 2: 6-10 Gospel Reading Luke 11: 1-13

SHARING THE STORY "Letting God Love You in Prayer" Pastor Joyce Royal HOLY COMMUNION (Bulletin Insert)

SENDING SONG "I Come with Joy" (vs 1 & 5) UMH 617

THE SENDING FORTH

We leave the house of God, but not the presence of God. Let us root ourselves deeply in God's holy presence and live out God's love for all. For just a moment, take a deep breath. That breath is restorative. It is bringing freshness and relaxation to your life. Go from this place in peace and may God's peace be in your hearts. AMEN.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "God Will Take Care of You" Mavis Baldwin

LECTIONARY READER Penna Smith

Prayer List: Families of those lost in the Texas Flooding. Mike Frederick, Warren Baldwin, Nick Orlosky, Doug Topliff, Carol Johnson, Calae Bonfey, Ivy Patterson, Don Williams and Jack and Diane Sanford.

Email <u>prayers.nsumc@gmail.comm</u> or Call Carol Johnson @ 518-921-9902



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