

A Time of Worship & Praise

7th Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

WE GATHER

***Gathering Music:** *Spirit of the Living God* (2X) 393

Greeting

The Yellow Balloon by Holly Hatam

*Call to Worship

In times of darkness and fear, God is ever near to love and guide us.

Come, Loving God, fill our hearts.

In the times of joy and dancing, God is ever near in celebration.

Come, Loving God, fill our hearts.

At all times and in all places, God is always with us, sustaining, healing, loving.

Come, Loving God, fill our hearts with joy.

*Opening Prayer

Lord, we have come to this place from a world of demands and schedules. We have sought hope and peace and have found them here. Now, we seek the inner joy that only your presence can bring into our lives. Open our hearts and our spirits to your love. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* 89

WE LISTEN

Scripture: Philippians 4.4-13

Kids Minute

Message: *Joy For the Journey* Sarah Strohman

WE RESPOND

Called to Pray

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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Called to Share

Offertory

***Doxology**

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***Prayer of Dedication**

Loving God, with great joy, we present these tithes, gifts and offerings of our very selves through our time and talent for your mission in the world, through the ministries of this church. Be with each of us as we commit ourselves to lives of joyful, thankful service. In Jesus' name. Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Announcements

***Blessing**

***Hymn of Joy:** *Where He Leads Me*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 19 – Double Celebration!!

1. We honor our high school graduates in worship

Our graduates this year: Nathan Adams, Maddy Anderson, Kation Moen, Dayton Strohman



2. Happy Birthday Church! - Pentecost

We celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit & Christ’s gift of the church.

Wear red, orange, or yellow!!

Midwest Missions Clean Up Buckets

After recent storms, it’s time to restock Midwest Missions Clean Up Buckets. Please bring any of the items listed in our bulletin insert by June 2 for dedication before we deliver them to Annual Conference. If you wish to contribute to the *Iowa Disaster Relief Fund*, please mark your check “Iowa Disaster” and we will submit any special offerings.

Save the Date – VBS 2024 – July 28-31



This year’s VBS, **Hometown Nazareth** will be held the last week of July, with supper served at 5:30 pm, followed by all the VBS activities until 7:15 pm. Register today on our Facebook page (EmmetsburgFUMC)!

Coming Up

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK: Tues, May 14 – 9 am-noon

- ◆ **Mon, May 13:** Card Club, 12 pm; Horizons, 1 pm
- ◆ **Tues, May 14:** OFFICE HOURS: 9 am – noon; Card Club 12 pm; Bible Study, 1:30 pm
- ◆ **Wed, May 15:** Coffee, 3 pm; JAM, 5:30 pm
- ◆ **Thurs, May 16:** Circuit, 9 am – noon; Horizons, 1:00 pm; Trinity PALS, 1:30 pm; AA, 7:30 pm
- ◆ **Sun, May 19:** Adult Sunday School, 9 am; Worship & Graduation Recognition, 10 am

Worship Stewards	Today	Next Week
Acolytes	Jaden Ward, Hank Rouse	Beckam & Mason Shirk
Liturgist	Michelle Chase	Brian Garrels
AV	Duhn Family	Hudson Family
Livestream	Randy Becker	Paxton Duhn
Counters/Ushers	Greg Hoyman, Shayne Kogel	Brian Garrels, Jim Hobart

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May 12, 2024 – 10:00 am



Rejoice!
He Lives!



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