

A Time of Worship & Praise

4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 16, 2024

WE GATHER

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

Greeting

*Call to Worship

Friends, today, welcome to this house of prayer.

Whether together physically or virtually, let us now join our hearts spiritually as we call upon the name of the Lord.

The name of the Lord is a strong tower.

The righteous run to it and they are safe.

So, in our time together and apart to seek you in all things.

**Great God, we worship you today because you are worthy,
and we desire that through our prayers and our praise,
we might draw closer to you.**

*Opening Prayer

Gracious God, we do not know how to worship as we ought. But you are in every moment and in every place; and your Spirit in us helps us worship even now. Open the eyes of our hearts to be mindful of your presence and to allow you to live fully and powerfully in us, by the Spirit of Christ. Amen.

Steven Garnaas Holmes

***Hymn of Praise:** *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* (vv.1-3) 75

WE LISTEN

Scripture

Acts 2.42-47

Romans 8.26-39

Psalm 139

Message: *Summer Essentials: Prayer*

*Affirmation

God, we give you thanks, for you have called us according to your purpose.

You have destined us to be conformed to the image of Christ, to be called, to be justified, to be glorified.

Christ, we give you thanks, for you have died and been raised and intercede for us.

You have given up everything for us, and justified our lives, so that no one may condemn. In you nothing can separate us from the love of God: not life or death, hardship or distress, persecution, poverty, danger, suffering or violence.

No earthly powers or choices or anything else in Creation can separate us from God's love in you.

Holy Spirit, we give you thanks, for through you all things work for good to those who love God.

We do not know how to live as we ought, but you intercede for us in ways deeper than words. You empower us to live as more than conquerors, through the love with which you love us. We love you, and we entrust ourselves to you. Amen.

WE RESPOND

God's Call to Prayer

Invitation to Pray: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* (v. 1) 420

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer 895

God's Call to Share

Offertory

***Doxology** 94

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, with prayers of gratitude, we offer our gifts. Receive them and use them according to your will, that your love and grace will be spread in our community and in the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Sharing Life Together

*Benediction

***Hymn of Joy:** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* 526

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS -Jesus' Hometown Nazareth - NEW DATE: Jul 28-31, 5:15

Supper starts at 5:30 pm, followed by all the VBS activities until 7:15 pm.
Register today on our Facebook page (EmmetsburgFUMC)!



Save the Date – June 23

Burn the Mortgage & Potluck Picnic!

We did it! We paid off our Family Life Center debt in advance.
Gather for worship in the FLC; we'll burn the mortgage PLUS send Sarah Strohman to her first appointment! Bring a dish to share for our potluck "picnic." We'll be grilling hot dogs!



Pick up your Upper Room today!

Coming Up

- ◆ **Mon, June 17:** Card Club, 12 pm; Horizons, 1 pm
- ◆ **Tues, June 18:** ELF, 10 am; Card Club 12 pm; Bible Study, 1:30 pm
- ◆ **Wed, June 19:** Coffee, 3 pm
- ◆ **Thurs, June 20:** Trinity PALS @ Kirby's, 11:30 am; Horizons, 1:00 pm; AA, 7:30 pm

| Worship Stewards | Today | Next Week |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Liturgist | | Brian Garrels |
| AV | Duhn Family | |
| Livestream | Jodi Ward | |
| Counters/Ushers | Greg Hoyman, Shayne Kogel | Brian Garrels, Jim Hobart |

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