

A Time of Worship & Praise

17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2024

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

***Gathering Music:** *For the Beauty of the Earth* (vv. 1, 4, 6) 92

*Call to Worship

Come home -

Into the loving arms of God,

For this is a place of connection,

Where we love one another as Christ has loved us.

Let us remain in God's love as we worship together!

*Opening Prayer

O Christ, like sunlight poured into an open meadow,

you pour your love into our hearts. Like the earth laid out beneath us,

you have laid down your life for us. Pour your Word into our hearts.

Fill us with your love, so that we may love others as you have loved us. Amen.

***Hymn of Praise:** *This Is My Fathers World* 144

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Josie Maggie Mae Ward

daughter of Jeremy & Jodi Ward

WE LISTEN TO GOD

Scripture: John 15.1-12, 16-17; 1 John 4.7-21

This is the Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: *Abiding*

Hymn: *Abide with Me* (vv. 1 & 3) 700

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Called to Prayer

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer 895

Called to Give Back

*Doxology 95

*Prayer of Dedication

Grower of all that is good, receive our gifts today. Water them and shine your light upon them. Tend and prune them, so that through the fruit they bear, we will grow in connection to you, each other, and the world. Amen

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

*Benediction

Hymn of Joy: *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* (vv. 1 & 2) FWS 2223

HOW CAN WE PRAY
for you?
P R A Y

Please share your prayer requests on the prayer card in your pew and place them in the plate or give them to Pastor Kolleen at prayer time. Note if these are public (in worship) or private (pastor only).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pick up your Growth Groups catalog and sign up TODAY!

We are made for connection and abiding with one another. Check out your opportunities to connect with one another and with God this fall from traditional Sunday School to Care Connections to Trunk & Treat! Need a different meeting time/place? We can do that. Get connected today!

Wed, Sept 18: Wednesday Connections

- ✝ 5:30 pm Supper – all are welcome
- ✝ 6:00 – Kids, Youth & Adult Groups



One of the best ways to grow your faith is by connecting with the Bible and one another, face-to-face. This fall we will dig into the Golden Rule—*Do Unto Others*. Join us for supper, sign up & learn more on Sept 18!

Sun, Sept 22: Sunday School Begins

- ✝ 8:45 am - Adult Sunday School
- ✝ During Worship - Children's Church

Sun, Oct 6: Support this year's Outreach Mission Kits with cash or item contributions by Oct 6th. Pick up a shopping list or mark your check "Outreach".

Coming Up

- ◆ **Mon, Sept 16:** Card Club 12 pm; Horizons 1 pm; SPRC 5:30 pm
- ◆ **Tues, Sept 17:** ELF 10 am, Card Club 12 pm; Bible Study, 1:30 pm
- ◆ **Thurs, Sept 19:** Horizons, 1 pm; Trinity PALS, 1:30 pm; Just 4 Kix 4:15 pm; AA, 7:30 pm
- ◆ **Fri, Sept 20:** UDMO Training, 8 am

Worship Stewards	Today	Next Week
Liturgist	Danielle Ditch	Sarah Frederick
AV	Ditch family	Anderson family
Livestream	Paxton Duhn	Jodi Ward
Counters/Ushers	Cal C/Dean VM	Karen S/Steve H

FIRST UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH

September 15, 2024 - 10:00 am



This is my *Beloved*,
chosen and marked by my love,
delight of my life



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