

7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the Friendship pads and pass them back to the center aisle.

Our Approach to God

Prelude

Nettleton

Craig Phillips

The Call to Worship

Great is the Lord, and most worthy of praise.

God is our fortress. He protects us and keeps us secure. He guides us and is righteous in all his ways.

Let us meditate on God's unfailing and abundant love.

Let us tell the next generation of God's wonder and might.

May all the earth praise God's holy name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord God Almighty!

*The Hymn of Praise

Come, Thou Almighty King

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*The Call to Confession

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Let us, therefore, approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in our time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sins to God.

*The Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you and for ignoring your immensity and greatness. Forgive us when we forget that you rule the nations and our lives. Forgive us for offending you when we minimize your power and squander your gifts. How easily we are seduced by power, prestige, pleasure, or possessions. Forgive us for our half-hearted devotion and our double-minded spirit. [Silent confession.]

Merciful Lord, with humility we draw near to you, confessing our sins, relying on your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon

The Lord has said, "I will cleanse my people from all the sin they have committed against me and will forgive all their sins of rebellion against me." Through Jesus Christ, we have the forgiveness of sins. **Thanks be to God!**

*The Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Anthem

A Canon of Praise

Natalie Sleeth

Billie Bauer, Peggy Knutson, Deanna Patton, and Linda Poplewski

The Word of God

The Time with the Children

The Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 5:1-10

page 338 OT

The Psalm

Psalm 48

page 625 OT

The Sermon

David Becomes King

Pastor Ruth Estell

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

hymnal, page 14

*The Hymn

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

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The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer(using sins)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts
 The Offertory La Prière W. Eugene Thayer

*The Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* 592
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him,
 all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Hymn *Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show* 481

*The Charge and Benediction

*The Congregational Response *Go with Us, Lord* 535
**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
 that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to You.**

*Postlude My Country Tis of Thee William T. Best

 * Congregation Standing – for those who are able.

Liturgist : Genie Herter
Ushers: Pete & Ginny Brucker, Fred Herter, and Larry Smith
Greeters: Wally & Anne Schmidt
Fellowship Hour: Natalie Martinez
Musical Talents: Thomas Heidenreich, Director of Music Ministry
 and Billie Bauer, Peggy Knutson, Deanna Patton, and Linda Poplewski

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**Please join us immediately following worship in the gathering area for
 refreshments and fellowship.**

For The Hearing Impaired

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2 Samuel 5:1-10 New International Version

⁵ All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "We are your own flesh and blood. ² In the past, while Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel on their military campaigns. And the LORD said to you, 'You will shepherd my people Israel, and you will become their ruler.'"

³ When all the elders of Israel had come to King David at Hebron, the king made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.

⁴ David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years. ⁵ In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years.

⁶ The king and his men marched to Jerusalem to attack the Jebusites, who lived there. The Jebusites said to David, "You will not get in here; even the blind and the lame can ward you off." They thought, "David cannot get in here." ⁷ Nevertheless, David captured the fortress of Zion—which is the City of David.

⁸ On that day David had said, "Anyone who conquers the Jebusites will have to use the water shaft to reach those 'lame and blind' who are David's enemies." That is why they say, "The 'blind and lame' will not enter the palace."

⁹ David then took up residence in the fortress and called it the City of David. He built up the area around it, from the terraces inward. ¹⁰ And he became more and more powerful, because the LORD God Almighty was with him.

Psalms 48 New International Version

¹ Great is the LORD, and most worthy of praise, in the city of our God, his holy mountain.

² Beautiful in its loftiness, the joy of the whole earth,
like the heights of Zaphon is Mount Zion, the city of the Great King.

³ God is in her citadels; he has shown himself to be her fortress.

⁴ When the kings joined forces, when they advanced together,

⁵ they saw her and were astounded;
they fled in terror.

⁶ Trembling seized them there,
pain like that of a woman in labor.

⁷ You destroyed them like ships of Tarshish
shattered by an east wind.

⁸ As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the LORD Almighty,
in the city of our God: God makes her secure forever.

⁹ Within your temple, O God,
we meditate on your unfailing love.

¹⁰ Like your name, O God,
your praise reaches to the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with righteousness.

¹¹ Mount Zion rejoices,
the villages of Judah are glad
because of your judgments.

¹² Walk about Zion, go around her,
count her towers,

¹³ consider well her ramparts, view her citadels, that you may tell of them
to the next generation.

¹⁴ For this God is our God for ever and ever;
he will be our guide even to the end.