

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 13, 2025 10:00 am

#### GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH 2 cents a meal offering for hunger

CALL TO WORSHIP\* (from Psalm 82)

God takes a stand in the divine council; God gives judgment among the gods: "How long will you judge unjustly by granting favor to the wicked?

Give justice to the lowly and the orphan; maintain the right of the poor and the destitute! Rescue the lowly and the needy. Deliver them from the power of the wicked!

<sup>\*</sup> all who are able are invited to rise in body or spirit.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Kyrie eleison is early church Greek for "Lord, have mercy."

# Rise up, God! Judge the earth because you hold all nations in your possession!

HYMN\* "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" 263

PRAYER OF PRAISE\*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Loving God, we are your sons and daughters, yet, we do not act to honor you, and our actions too often belittle the love you have for us. We do not defend the weak or those without fathers or mothers, nor uphold the poor or the oppressed. We do not commit to efforts to rescue the weak and the needy; we sometimes deliver them into solitude and neglect. Judge us and forgive us, we pray, O God. Straighten our path, and guide us as a parent guides beloved children.

### (silence)

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison.\*\* Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE\*
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

[You are invited to exchange signs of peace with one another.]

#### RESPONSE TO PARDON\*

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Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

#### A TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

GOSPEL - Luke 10:25-37

Marya Katz

"Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?" "The one who demonstrated mercy toward him." "Go and do likewise."

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Lucian Robinson and the After Church Choir

OLD TESTAMENT – Amos 7:7-17

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the middle of my people..."

SERMON

Dr. Linda Dickerson

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE\* (from "A Declaration of Faith, 1977)

We are persuaded God is at work here and now when people deal fairly with each other and labor to change customs and structures that enslave and oppress human beings. We believe God sends us to work with others to correct the growing disparity between rich and poor nations, to achieve fair legislation justly administered and enforced, to make the operation of courts and penal institutions more just and humane.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn\*

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION\*

CHORAL RESPONSE\*

Congregation

Go in peace, and the peace of God on this day be blest.
Go in peace, with the grace of God, giving trav'ler's rest.
I will hold you in my heart; Jesus loves you best.
Go in peace, and the grace of God,
grant you trav'ler's rest.

BRIDAL SHOWER FOR OLIVIA AND CLEMENT –

All are welcome!