

July 15, 2007
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Meditation

*“Worship does not satisfy our hunger for God---it whets our appetite.
Our need for God is not taken care of by emerging in worship---it deepens.
It overflows the hour and permeates the week.”*
Eugene Peterson, Living the Message

Gathering in the Spirit

GATHERING and WELCOME

PRELUDE “His Yoke Is Easy” Franklin Ritter

*CALL TO WORSHIP Bread for the Journey

Now is the time to awaken to the presence of God, the Everlasting Spirit.

Now is the time to come alive with songs of praise.

Today we open ourselves to the power of the Spirit in our lives.

Today we extend our hands in caring toward our neighbors.

**We do all this because we have responded to the ministry and message
of Jesus Christ, whose people we are.**

*HYMN: “God of Grace and God of Glory” No. 577

*CONFESSING WHO WE ARE Bread for the Journey

**O God, Source of all that makes life possible, Giver of all that makes life good,
we gather to give you thanks. Yet we confess that we have often failed to live
our thankfulness. What we have we take for granted, and we grumble about
what we lack. We have squandered your bounty with little thought for those
who will come after us. We are more troubled by the few who have more than
we are by the many who have little. Forgive us, O God. In this hour of worship,
accept our thanksgiving, and teach us to make gratitude and sharing our way of
life. For we pray through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*SILENT REFLECTION

*WORD OF ASSURANCE

**All who are able, please stand.*

Hear the Good News. God steadfast love and mercy are forever. Accept God’s forgiveness in the name of Jesus, and give thanks.

Thanks be to God!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SPECIAL MUSIC Dennis Grenier

CHILDREN’S TIME

EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 1:1-14

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 84 No. 804-805 with sung Response

RECEIVING OUR PRAYER REQUESTS

CENTERING SONG “Spirit Song” No. 347

O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you’ll enter into life in Jesus’ name.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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 trespasses as
we forgive those who trespass 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.**

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 10:25-37

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

HYMN “There’s s Spirit in the Air” No. 192

MESSAGE

OFFERTORY Special Music Danny Beck

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*HYMN "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian in My Heart" No. 402

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Holy, Holy, Holy" arr. Lani Smith

Liturgist: Jeanne Sutcliffe

Please join our *Meet and Greet* time in Fellowship Hall following Worship Service!

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