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## *Our Vision & Mission*

*“Shining the Light of God’s Love”*

*Through*

**Inspiring Worship ~ Personal Growth ~ Intentional Outreach**

# “Ninth Sunday after Pentecost”

8:00 & 11:00 am Traditional Worship

## GATHERING

### WELCOME, COMMUNITY LIFE & GREETING

**PRELUDE**    *(Please be in an attitude of prayer as you prepare yourself for worship.)*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 133:1-3

UMH 850

Leader: Behold, how good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!

**People: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!**

Leader: It is like the dew of Hermon which falls on the mountains of Zion!

**People: For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life for evermore.**

### \*OPENING HYMN

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

UMH 327

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.

Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,

And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,

And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.

His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,

Who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways

From pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.

His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet

Fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,

Those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.

All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;

Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

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## MORNING PRAYER

### INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,

who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

### CONFESSION AND PARDON

**People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**ALL: Glory to God! Amen!**

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

“Love Grows Here”

Choir Ensemble

### \*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

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### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“O How I Love Jesus”

UMH 170

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;

It sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.

Refrain: O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,

O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free;

It tells me of his precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea. Refrain.

It tells of one whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe;

Who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below. Refrain.

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## SCRIPTURE READING

John 15:9-17 (NIV)

## MESSAGE

“Do You Serve Jesus?”

Pastor Armando Rodríguez

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.....

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit....

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,  
All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## HOLY COMMUNION

### \*HYMN OF DEDICATION      "They'll Know We Are Christians"

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;  
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land. Chorus.

We Will work with each other, we will work side by side;  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;  
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each man's pride. Chorus.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.

And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one. Chorus.

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### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

*\*Indicates that we are to stand to praise God.*

## **Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine**

### *Altar Flowers*

The flowers on the altar are given by the Chancel Choir in memory of Betty Bozone.

# **“Ninth Sunday after Pentecost”**

**9:30 am Contemporary Worship**

**PRE-SERVICE CALL TO WORSHIP**

“What a Friend”

**WELCOME & COMMUNITY LIFE**

**SONGS OF WORSHIP**

“God So Loved”

“God of Wonders”

**PRAYER TIME**

**OFFERING**

“There Was Jesus”

**BIBLE READING**

John 15:9-17 (NIV)

**MESSAGE**

“Do You Serve Jesus?”

Pastor Armando Rodríguez

**COMMUNION / ALTAR CALL**

“I Give You My Heart”

**BENEDICTION**

**“Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine”**



## What A Friend

Everybody has trials and temptations  
Everybody knows heart break, isolation  
But we can lay our burdens down, lay our burdens  
down

What a friend we have in Jesus  
East to west my sins are gone  
I see grace on every horizon  
And forever and ever His heart is my home

Everybody has fears, everybody got worries  
Everybody knows sorrow, devastation  
But we can lay our burdens down, lay our burdens  
down

What a friend we have in Jesus  
East to west my sins are gone  
I see grace on every horizon  
And forever and ever His heart is my home

No more betrayal, for He is faithful  
He fills me up and my cup runneth over  
No more betrayal for He is faithful  
How He has proven it over and over

No more betrayal, for He is faithful  
He fills me up and my cup runneth over  
No more betrayal for He is faithful  
How He has proven it over and over, over and oh

Forever and ever His heart is my home

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## God So Loved

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty  
Come to the well that never runs dry  
Drink of the water, come and thirst no more

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy  
Come to the table, He will satisfy  
Taste of His goodness, find what you're looking for

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting there with open arms

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

The power of hell, forever defeated  
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved, God so loved the world

Praise God, praise God, from Whom all blessings  
flow  
Praise Him, praise Him, for the wonders of His love  
Praise God, praise God, from whom all blessings  
flow

Praise Him, praise Him, for the wonders of His  
love, His amazing love

For God so loved the world that He gave us  
His one and only Son to save

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His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

The power of hell, forever defeated  
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved, God so loved the world

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting, God so loved the world

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## God of Wonders

Lord of all creation, of water earth and sky  
The heavens are Your tabernacle, glory to the Lord  
on high

God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy,  
holy  
The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy,  
holy

Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth  
Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light  
And when I stumble in the darkness, I will call  
Your name by night

Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth  
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God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy,  
holy  
The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy,  
holy  
Precious Lord reveal Your heart to me, Father hold  
me, hold me  
The universe declares Your majesty, You are holy,  
holy

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## **There Was Jesus**

Every time I tried to make it on my own  
Every time I tried to stand and start to fall  
All those lonely roads that I have travelled on, there  
was Jesus

When the life I built came crashing to the ground  
When the friends I had were nowhere to be found  
I couldn't see it then but I can see it now, there was  
Jesus

In the waiting, in the searching, in the healing and  
the hurting  
Like a blessing buried in the broken pieces  
Every minute, every moment of where I been and  
where I'm going  
Even when I didn't know it or couldn't see it, there  
was Jesus

For this man who needs amazing kind of grace  
For forgiveness at a price I couldn't pay  
I'm not perfect so I thank God every day  
There was Jesus, there was Jesus

In the waiting, in the searching, in the healing and  
the hurting  
Like a blessing buried in the broken pieces  
Every minute, every moment of where I been and  
where I'm going  
Even when I didn't know it or couldn't see it, there  
was Jesus

On the mountain in the valleys (there was Jesus)  
In the shadows of the alleys (There was Jesus)  
In the fire, in the flood (there was Jesus)  
Always is and always was  
No, I never walk alone (never walk alone)

In the waiting, in the searching, in the healing and  
the hurting  
Like a blessing buried in the broken pieces  
Every minute, every moment of where I been and  
where I'm going  
Even when I didn't know it or couldn't see it, there  
was Jesus

There was Jesus, there was Jesus, there was Jesus  
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## **I Give You My heart**

This is my desire, to honor You  
Lord with all my heart I worship You  
All I have within me, I give You praise  
All that I adore is in You

Lord I give You my heart, I give You my soul  
I live for You alone  
Every breath that I take, every moment I'm awake  
Lord have Your way in me

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## John 15:9-17 (NIV)

<sup>9</sup> “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup> My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command. <sup>15</sup> I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. <sup>17</sup> This is my command: Love each other.

**Every Member Prayer List** - Please pray for the following this week: Jimmy & Genevieve Mills, Marshall & Bonnie Mink, Vivian Mitchell, Debbie Mock, Anthony, Barbara, Andrew, Dylan & Noah Moens, Marie Montag, Sheryl Moore, Tom & Nancy Morando, John Morgan.

**Nursery Care Available** - You can trust your infants and preschoolers to the care of our nursery attendants. We have beepers so parents can be called out of worship if necessary. Nursery is available at all services.

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## Presence in Worship

7/31 Worship: 310 Sunday School: 58

## Financial Update

Last week we received \$13,703. toward our weekly need of \$15,630. In the month of July, we received \$70,709.58 toward our monthly need of \$78,148. Your financial dedication is appreciated.

## Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

8:30a – 4:30p

Friday

8:30a – 12:00p

## Sunday Worship

8:00a Traditional Worship

9:30a Contemporary Worship

11:00a Traditional Worship

11:30a Spanish Worship

## Facebook Live

9:30a Contemporary Worship

11:00a Traditional Worship

11:30a Spanish Worship

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