

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 16, 2007 10:00 a.m.  
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**PREPARATION** "Here is a working definition of who Christians are, the source of all Christian joy and transformation: *Christians are none other than those who once were lost, who have now been found.*"  
-William Willimon

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Please sign the friendship pad located at the end of the pew. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a prayer request card and pass it to the end of the pew during the opening hymn.)

**PRELUDE** *We're Marching to Zion* Watts & Lowry/ arr. S. Pethel

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God looks on humankind to see if any are wise. Who is seeking after God above all else?

**All: We look to Jesus Christ for wisdom and truth; we reach out to be strengthened for service.**

Leader: The winds of God blow among us to winnow and cleanse. They sweep through our minds in judgment.

**All: Have mercy on us, O God, and wash away our sin. Do not let your wrath burn against us.**

Leader: Remember your promises to us, O God. Create in us clean hearts and renewed spirits.

**All: We seek to know you and to grow in understanding. Confront us here and light our way out of the void.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

♪ ♪ **\*HYMN** 466 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (all together)

**We have been fools. We have said in our hearts, "There is no God." Our deeds deny, O Lord. Our plans do not include you. We grumble and complain, criticizing those who embody your love for all people. We**

*continued*

\*All who are able may stand

have turned aside from the way you commanded. Our greed is robbing this fruitful land and creating a desert. The world is full of suffering people whom we ignore. O God, is there any hope for us? Reassure us as we lift up before you our silent confessions of wrongdoing.

#### **SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**\*RESPONSE**            576    *Gloria, Gloria*

#### **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please extend the Peace of Christ to one another)

#### **TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

*(Any children 3yrs –4<sup>th</sup> grade may leave for church school)*

#### **CALL FOR A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING:**            1 Timothy 1: 12-17

**GOSPEL READING:**        Luke 15: 1-10

**SERMON**                    “*Lost & Found Revisited*”            -Rev. Debra Wright

♪ ♪ **\*HYMN**                    172    *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

#### **THE PASTORAL PRAYER**

#### **THE LORD’S PRAYER** (all together)

**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.**

#### **MINUTE FOR MISSION**

#### **CALL FOR THE OFFERING OF GIFT AND SELF**

**THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**      We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder      Spiritual/ arr. C. Berry

**\*DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
Creator, Savior, Holy Ghost.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (all together)

**Because we have been blessed by you, O God, we are delighted to share. Because there are many who do not enjoy your bounty, we search for ways to help them. Thank you for showing us the way of mercy and patient example, the way of generosity and self-forgetful service, the way of faithfulness and joyous celebration. Bless us and our offerings, we pray. Amen.**

♪ ♪ **\*HYMN**                      262    *God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

**\*CHARGE**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**    280    *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound vs. 4*

**POSTLUDE**                      *Rock of Ages (chimed)*                      *Toplady & Hastings*  
*(The congregation treats the postlude as its closing time of worship and leaves after it is completed.)*

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Usher:                      Bruce Barrows  
Layreader:                Craig Wright  
Counters:                 Dick & Edie Fischer  
Building Check:        Worship  
                                  (September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Church & Society – September 30<sup>th</sup> – Membership)

## SUNDAY NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**We welcome all who** worship here this morning. Please join us for coffee after the worship service.

**Large print copies** of the Order of Worship, The Hymnal and the NRSV Bible are available at the back of the church.

**Phonic Ear hearing assistance** program is available. Please see an usher for more details.

**Prayer Request Cards**, located, in your pew, are for any prayer requests you wish included in the Prayers of the People. If you have a prayer request, please annotate your request on the back of the card, then pass it to the end of the pew (whichever end is closer to you) for collection by the usher during the opening hymn. Please do not place the card in the offering plate, as the card suggests. "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." *Philippians 4:6*

### CHILD CARE

**Infant/Toddler Nursery Care** during worship is provided for your children.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Bill Baco (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Caryn Brown (Leona Wojcik) ♦ *Erna Burdick* (Sue Piersa) ♦ Clara Cieslinski ♦ Kathy Miller Colmerauer (Jane Lankes) ♦ Dan & Judy Cravotta (Janice Jones) ♦ Steve Dalin (Karen Dalin) ♦ Pauline Deletti (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Linda Dories (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Lorraine Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ Cathy Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ Jessica Grazen (The Fischers) ♦ Margie Grotevent ( Marion Labby) ♦ James Groves (Nancy Lesakowski) ♦ Ed & Dorothy Gutowski (Ed Gutowski) ♦ Harold Hanna ♦ Nancy Hay ♦ Janet H. (Nancy Galley) ♦ Esther Hiller (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Jill Miller-Kisker (Jane Lankes) ♦ Ben Klinshaw (Rita Hanna) ♦ Marguerite Kobel (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Lee Kruszka ((The Fischer's) ♦ *Sue Maciejewski* ♦ Peter McCray (Sue Piersa) ♦ Sibby Mielcarek (Marge Christmann) ♦ *Steve Milley* (Leanne Wurl) ♦ Josh Miszko (Sue Piersa) ♦ Sandy Northem ♦ BJ Rustic ♦ Bill Seifert ♦ George Shaffer ♦ Paul Sipos (Sue Maciejewski) ♦ Joan Shockey (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ The Weez (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Aaron Miechurski (The Halligan's) ♦ Kyle James Smyntek (The Fiegl's) ♦ Partick Weir (Sandy Pakenham))

Chris Kalinowski ☉ Matthew Jones ☉ Bill Cenkner Jr. ☉ Patrick Baskerville ☉ Sammy Russo ☉ Kimberly Trudeau ☉ Steve Odebralski ☉ Jason Zimmerman ☉ Andrew Zalikowski ☉ Nick Turvey ☉ Kristen Pelc ☉ Ben Schauss ☉ Phillip Schott ☉ Josh Winkler ☉ Russell Molnar ☉ Pat McCullough ☉ Ryan M. Ratigan ☉ Larry Lloyd ☉ Joshua Feldman ☉ Dan Dudziak ☉ David Ferg ☉ Zachery Goggins ☉ Alison Lankes

Each week we invite you to hold in your prayers different families and individuals in our church. As an act of faithfulness we pray for each other. This week we pray for:  
 Judy Costa    Lillian Kieffer    The Perillo Family    Ron & Debbie Wilson

## CALENDAR

Today	- September 16	10:00 a.m.	Worship
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship Time <i>Celebrate Articles are due</i>
Wed.	- September 19	7:00 p.m.	Worship & Music Meeting
Sun.	- September 23	10:00 a.m.	Worship
		11:00 a.m.	Fellowship

## CHURCH NEWS NOTES

**Attendance for September 9**  
 Adult – 42    Children - 9