

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Service of the Word
August 9, 2026 at 11:00am

GATHERING IN PRAISE

The Chiming of the Worship Hour

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

“Throw Out the Lifeline” arr. Cook

The Introit

“Victory in Jesus” arr. Mauldin

The Invocation

**The Opening Hymn*

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” No. 57 (all verses)

The Intercessory Prayers

The light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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.

**Congregational Hymn*

“Rock of Ages Cleft for Me” No. 361 (vv. 1, 2, 4)

The Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory

“Have Thine Own Way Lord” arr. Cook

**The Doxology*

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Children’s Moments

**The Hymn of Preparation*

“There’s Something about That Name” No. 171

**The Prayer for Illumination*

**The Scripture Lesson*

James 5:7-11

Leader: *This is the Word of God.* People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Anthem

“City Called Heaven” arr. Poelinitz

Gary Echols, soloist

The Sermon

Galen Walter

“Patience in the Lord”

RESPONDING IN FAITH

**The Hymn of Response*

“Where He Leads Me” No. 338 (vv. 1, 4)

**The Apostles’ Creed*

No. 881

**The Gloria Patri*

SENDING FORTH

**The Hymn of Invitation*

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” No. 133 (all verses)

**The Congregational Blessing*

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

**Postlude*

“Draw Me Nearer and Close to Thee Medley” arr. Cook

*The flowers on the Altar are dedicated to the Glory of God
and given in loving memory of
Ann Bryan McClellan
by Phil, Bryan and Sara Ruth McClellan,
Keven and Parker Casler
and her grandsons George Casler and James McClellan.*

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

School Supply Drive – Our annual school supply drive for our Blessing Box began on August 2nd. Place your donations in the box in the back of the sanctuary or purchase from Amazon and have the items sent to the church.

Holy Baptism – On Saturday, August 15, we will baptize one of our confirmands (Maddie Myers) at a beautiful lake near the Barton Ferry boat ramp. Everyone who would like to come is invited. Bring a lawn chair, some bug spray, and wear some comfortable shoes. Drive east down Yokohama Blvd/Barton Ferry Rd. Not far past Darracott Rd., there will be a sign directing you to turn right. Follow the gravel drive up to the lake.

Confirmation Sunday (August 16) – Join us as we confirm our youth as full members in the church. We will host a luncheon after church to honor our confirmands. The entire church is invited to attend.

Wednesday Night Meal & Discipleship – Our regular Wednesday Night programming for all ages will resume this Wednesday, August 12.

Worship Training – Brother Chad will be training liturgists, scripture readers, communion servers, and ushers on August 23 at 9:45am or 12:15pm. If you serve or would be willing to serve in any of these positions, please attend one of these trainings. If you are unable to attend, please contact Brother Chad.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Meetings will be held in the church library

August 17 at 4:30pm – CDC Board

August 25 at 6:00pm – Leadership Council

MID-WEEK ACTIVITIES

Tuesday

5:00pm Revive Study Group

Wednesday

11:00am Mid-Week Study

12:00pm Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

5:15pm Wednesday Night Meal – All Ages Welcome (FH)

6:00pm Small Groups
(Youth Fellowship, Lighthouse Kids, Adults)

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Rev. Dr. Ken Pickens, Pastor to Youth
Rachel Wood, Minister of Music
Stacy Hays, Director of Family Ministries
Seth Matlock, Pianist***