

Welcome to Worship! | August 31, 2025 | 12th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Prelude Come, Thou Fount

Joseph M. Martin

Welcome

*Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness, come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Hymn 12 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Sung Response 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Isaiah 40:27-31

Second Lesson Romans 8:31-39

Sermon Disruptions Rev. Steve Hein

*Hymn 634 To God Be the Glory

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed (hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

THANKSGIVING

Offering

Offertory Climb Every Mountain

Rodgers & Hammerstein

Climb every mountain, search high and low, follow every byway, every path you know. Climb every mountain, ford every stream, follow every rainbow, til' you find your dream. A dream that will need all the love you can give, every day of your life for as long as you live.

*Doxology 606

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*Hymn 649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

*Charge and Benediction

*Dismissal We stand while the bell is rung three times, remembering that

God, Creator, Redeemer and Renewer of Life goes with us.

Postlude Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Lloyd Larson

Worship Leaders

Guest Preacher, Rev. Steve Hein Parish Associate, Rev. Dr. Gary Smith Director of Music, Cindy Litzinger Choir Director, Angela Burns Pianist, Sara Bryant Soloist, Caitlin Andrews Production Coordinator, Jim Fox Lay Reader, Evelyn Estep

Our Mission