

Welcome to worship! No matter where you are, where you have been, or where you are on your faith journey, our prayer is that you will find a place to belong in worship and mission with us.

June 25, 2023 8:30 am

Preparation for Worship

Anyone can slay a dragon, he told me, but try waking up loving the world all over again.

That's what takes a real hero. —Brian Andreas

Focus Scripture

Psalm 86:1-2

Prelude Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart/For the Beauty of the Earth

Kocher/Ritter

*Call to Worship

When we have been cast aside in the deserts of our lives,

you open our eyes to life-giving water that sustains us in our need.

When our future seems lost and others have taken our place of honor,

you restore our hope and promise us an inheritance of our own.

Who is like you among the gods?

Who answers prayer in times of deepest need?

We are here to worship you, O God,

for you alone can save us.

*Hymn

At the Name of Jesus

No. 168

Common Prayer (Let us pray together...)

Eternal God, turn and be gracious to us, for the road is long and we are weary. We feel beaten down by the trials of life and need your strength to sustain us. Show us your favor, and offer us your blessing, that we may abide in faithfulness and not be put to shame. Comfort us, O God, and revive our souls. Grant us the endurance to take up our cross, and follow the difficult roads in life. Amen.

Scripture

Acts 9:1-9

Kid's Time

Message

Line Up

*Hymn

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

No. 2146

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sharing of our Gifts and Lives

Offertory Amazing Grace Traditional

Doxology No. 94 Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, your morning sun gives life, your evening breeze refreshes the soul. As life grows to its fullest this summer, let us give generously and repeatedly. Through our gifts, may the hungry be fed, the lonely find good friends, and the grieving find comfort. With these offerings, we offer our own lives, that we may rise again to live with you. Amen.

*Hymn I Have Decided to Follow Jesus No. 2129

Announcements

Benediction

Our God restores our future--now be the ones who share God's love with the world. *Amen.*

Postlude Praise His Name Stairs ++++++

We welcome the Rev. Kim Dancey today as she leads us in worship!

Staff and Worship Assistants:

Pastor: Kathy Bueker Sweet

Director of Music: Kathy Brown

Director of Family Ministries: Melanie Burger

Organists: Gloria Cardoni & Mary Ellen Dean

Tech Support: Jamie Hannah

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Director of Music: Kathy Brown

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https://www.facebook.com/groups/237998406251361 Office Hours--Monday-Thursday 9 am - 12 noon Live Radio Broadcast 8:30 am WCZQ 105.5 FM Worship: 8:30 am in person and Facebook Live 10:45 am in person If you are visiting, we welcome you and invite you to Fellowship with coffee and conversation at Café 2020. We also have a Sunday School Hour from 9:45-10:30 am. We offer adult classes, our Orchard Children's Ministry classes for Preschool-5th grade, and our bi-weekly Orchard 567 class for our 5th-7th graders on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month. Please join us as we dig into God's Word.

During today's service, please know that individual wireless receivers are available from the ushers. Rocking Chairs are located at the back for parents with babies, and our Kids' Corner is stocked with things to educate and entertain your children as well.

The Altar flowers are given by Bruce and Linda Jordan in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary, June 23rd.

Food Pantry Requests:

laundry soap, saltines, Graham crackers, canned carrots, ketchup THANK YOU!

Calendar

Today		Thursday,	<u>June 29</u>
8:30 am	Worship, in-person, online and	8:30 am	Just Walking
	radio	6:30 pm	Summer Singers
9:30 am	Mission Trip presentation		
10:00 am	Sunday School classes	Sunday, Ju	<u>ly 2</u>
	(Adult, The Orchard, and	8:30 am	Worship, in-person, online and
	Orchard 567)		radio
10:45 am	Worship, in-person	9:45 am	Adult Sunday School classes
12 Noon	Family Picnic Day at Nick's	10:45 am	Worship, in-person
	Park -BYO Lunch;	2:00 pm	Welcome Dessert Pot-Luck for
	dessert provided		Rev. Anne

Monday, June 26

4:00 pm	T.O.P.S (Take Off Pounds
	Sensibly)

Tuesday, June 27

8:30am	Just Walking
7 pm	Zoom Prayer

Wednesday, June 28

1:00 pm Bible Study

Looking Ahead:

July 10, 10 am Outreach comm. mtg
July 11, 7 pm -Church Council Mtg
July 13, 6 pm -Finance Committee Mtg
July 17-21 Vacation Bible School
July 20 - Midwest Missions
July 24 -P.E.O.
July 30-Combined service, 10 am and
All Church Birthday Celebration