

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.

July 9, 2023 8:30 am

Preparation for Worship-

"Everybody wins 54 games and loses 54 games. It's what you do with the other 54 that counts."

— Tommy LaSorda

Focus Scripture

Romans 12: 4-5

Prelude

My Song will Wake the Dawn

Englert

\*Call to Worship

Come, all who are weary, all that are carrying burdens so heavy.

Jesus will give us rest!

Come, take what Jesus has to offer: love, forgiveness, and grace.

Christ will give us peace.

Come, find rest, and learn from Jesus,

For our Savior will give us rest in our souls.

Come, let us worship our God.

Let us follow Christ, who leads us into life.

\*Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

No. 384

Common Prayer (Let us pray together...)

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor. Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be dedicated to you, united to one another, and devoted to serving your world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Scripture

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Kid's Time

Anthem

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Sanctuary Choir

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn; through the storm through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home. When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near, when my life is almost gone; Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Our Diversity is a Feature, not a Bug Message

\*Hymn Be Thou My Vision No. 451

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sharing of our Gifts and Lives

El Shaddai Offertory

Doxology No. 94

Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn How Firm a Foundation No. 529

Announcements

Benediction

Postlude Allegro Walther

## **Staff and Worship Assistants:**

Pastor: Anne Ferguson Director of Music: Kathy Brown Director of Family Ministries: Melanie Burger Director of Youth Ministries: Will Pontious Organists: Gloria Cardoni & Mary Ellen Dean Director of Bell Choir: Barb Ozier Worship Media: Jamie Hannah Sound Tech: Arthur Sievers Office Manager: Carol Wintersteen



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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 and, **resuming August 20**, our Children's Ministry classes: Orchard for Preschool-5th grade, and 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.

Food Pantry Requests: rice and rice packets, syrup, spaghetti & meatballs, lasagna, ravioli, crackers, taco fixin's, tomatoes (diced and stewed), corn muffin mix, jello/pudding, kleenex

## **Calendar**

<b>Today</b>		Thursday, July 13	
8:30 am	Worship, in-person, online and	8:30 am	Just Walking
	radio	6:00 pm	Finance Comm. Mtg
9:45 am	Adult Sunday School classes	6:30 pm	Summer Singers
10:45 am	Worship, in-person		

## Monday, July 10

10:00 am Outreach Comm. Mtg

### Tuesday, July 11

8:30am Just Walking 7:00 pm Church Council Mtg

# Wednesday, July 12

NO Bible Study

5:30 pm Trustees mtg

### Sunday, July 16

8:30 am	Worship, in-person, online and radio
9:45 am 10:45 am	Adult Sunday School classes Worship, in-person

#### **Looking Ahead:**

July 17-21 Vacation Bible School
July 20 - Midwest Missions
July 24 -P.E.O.
July 30-Combined service, followed by
All Church Birthday Celebration