Assisting in Today's Service:

Lector: Brena Callithen Ushers: Greg & Terry Carns, OPEN Communion Assistants: Monie Diller, Marlene Lacanic Tellers: Dan & Sue Marcinko, Autumn Sperski

Continued steady, steadfast, sustained prayers for:

Vivian Beers, Charlotte Hostetler, Don Diller, Claire Jones, Janea, Joanne Toy, Tom Leskovik, Paige Swagger, Ted & Pat Kaminski, Scott Reyer, Ron Hanna, Rodney, Al Reyer, Joyce Bastin, Hobe Kenton, Monie's sister, Clyde Altman, Maddie Kirsch, Mya W. & Family, Sidora Family, Walter Henkel, Gary Beatty, Kevin Hughes, Barbara Mitchell, Michelle Menees & family, Paul Schmeider, Joe Hudson, Daren, Matt Provonzona, Kaelyn Thimons, Pastor Shawn's friend, Judy Henkel, Mary Ann Schmeider, Nancy Raub, Ronan Bann, Misty, Rory, Dawn Reimer, Devin

Backpacks, Bibles, and Blessings! Sunday, August 24 during the worship service

Join us for Back-to-School Sunday and our special Blessing of the Backpacks! We'll pray over students, teachers, and families as a new school year begins. Be sure to bring your backpack.

Annual Church Picnic

Sunday, September 14 following worship Winfield Township Community Park 194 Brose Rd, Cabot Please bring a covered dish, and/or dessert. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, and beverages will be provided.

Join us for an ice cream social following the worship service on August 24!

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12:49. NRSV LUKE

St. Paul's Celebrates, Declares, and Demonstrates the Love of God in Jesus Christ to Sarver and the World.

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 2025

As we worship — indeed, as we live — we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses to our Lord Jesus Christ. So we can lay aside every weight and sin (Hebrews 12:1-2). Welcome.

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PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND TIME OF SHARING

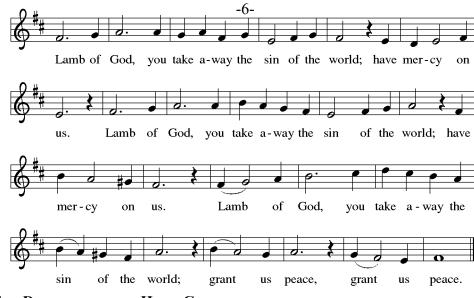
*Order of Confession and Forgiveness

- P. In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.
- P. God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen.
- P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (Silence is kept for reflection)
- P. Gracious God,
- C. have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

*GATHERING SONG:

"Let the Whole Creation Cry"

Hymn #876



THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- P. Let us pray.
- C. We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*PASTORAL BLESSING

P. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirt.

C. Amen

*SENDING SONG:

"Lead On O King Eternal"

Hymn #805

*THE DISMISSAL

P. Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God!

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*Offertory Prayer

- P. Let us pray
- C. Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



*THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*Apostolic Greeting

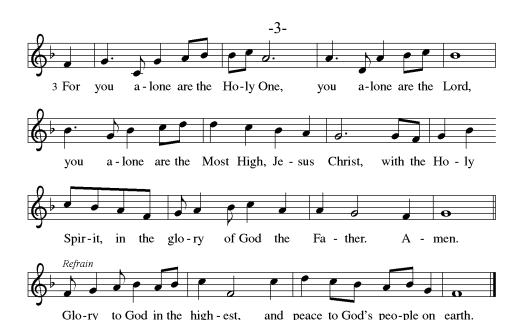
- P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est,

and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

^{*}THE LORD'S PRAYER



*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Spoken response at conclusion of each reading: "Thanks be to God."

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:16-29

Psalm 119:81-88

Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*The Holy Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE THE SERMON

*Hymn of the Day

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

Hymn #517

*THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes with "Lord, in your mercy..."
Please respond with "hear our prayer"

*Sharing of the Peace

