

GRACE

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 18, 2023



**TODAY'S OFFERING OF WORSHIP
THIS THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

We gather together...

PRELUDE

String Band

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

People, hear a mystery: the God who created the universe, loves us and desires a relationship with us.

Praise God for God's love and care for all of creation, especially us.

God not only loves and cares for us, but God's love is a generous, self-giving love.

Praise God for the gift of Jesus Christ and the love embodied in his dying and rising.

Through the gift of God's Christ, we have been invited to participate in their very life of God through God's Spirit.

Praise God for this unbelievable grace which draws us into the heart of God, and allows us to bring the love of God into the world.

ALL: Let us offer our praise and thanks to God, our strength, our shield, our heart's true desire.

***HYMN #2:** *As the Deer*

***INVOCATION**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

...to hear God's Word...

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7 (*Old Testament pages 14 and 16*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

PSALM

HYMNAL #840: Psalm 116

SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:1-8 (*New Testament page 155*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 9:35-10:8 (*New Testament pages 9-10*)

The Gospel of our Lord, God's living Word.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***HYMN #72:** *To God Be the Glory*

SERMON: *Rev. Todd Johnson*

...and to respond with our lives...

***HYMN #577:** *Come, We That Love the Lord*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERINGS OF CHURCH LIFE AND FINANCES

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

***HYMN** #367: *I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light*

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION:**

**The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
And be gracious
Gracious, gracious to you.**

**The Lord lift up his countenance upon you
And give you
Give you,
Give you peace.**

POSTLUDE

*Join us after the service
for coffee and conversation, in the Narthex.*

Welcome!

GREETERS: Sarah and Colin Quackenbush
READERS: Jane and Dawn Leach
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Sonja Whitaker
USHER: Corbin Sheffels
COFFEE SERVERS: Ann and Trevor Scranton
LIVESTREAM: Axel

