

2024

*“Worship the God of Wonders”*



WELCOME TO WORSHIP  
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

**Outdoor worshipers, tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to hear and join in today’s Worship service**

*It is my pleasure to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; His dominion endures from generation to generation..*

*Daniel 4:2,3*

Call Statement:

*“My call is to share my Faith in Christ”*

Mission Statement:

*“To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior.”*

**THE WELCOME AND PRAYER**

**THE BRIEF ORDER: CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Leader: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness....Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and, for His sake, forgives you all your 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.

**All: Amen.**

## THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also with you** (*Greet each other sharing Christ's peace.*)

## HYMN

### Beautiful Savior

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#### Verse 1

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

#### Verse 2

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

#### Verse 3

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shine brighter. Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.

#### Verse 4

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise adoration,  
Now and forevermore be thine!

## THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Lord God, heavenly Father,

All: **Govern and guide us through Your Holy Spirit that we hear Your Word with our whole hearts, receive it, and**

become sanctified through it, so that we may put all our trust and hope in Jesus Christ, Your Son, be protected from all offenses and pride, and finally be saved through Your grace in Christ; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Martin Luther

## THE LESSONS

Isaiah 29:11-19

Psalm 14

## THE GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-13

## THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

### What's in Your Heart?

## SONG

### The Heart of Worship

#### Verse 1

When the music fades, all is stripped away,  
And I simply come;  
Longing just to bring something that's of worth  
That will bless Your heart.

#### Pre-Chorus

I'll bring You more than a song,  
For a song in itself is not what You have required.  
You search much deeper within  
Through the way things appear;  
You're looking into my heart.

#### Chorus

I'm coming back to the heart of worship,  
And it's all about You, all about You, Jesus.  
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it,  
When it's all about You, all about You, Jesus.

#### Verse 2

King of endless worth, no one could express  
How much You deserve.  
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours,  
Ev'ry single breath.

### THE APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

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.

### THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer...

Pastor: *(After each petition. . .)* Lord, in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: . . . Accept, O Lord, the prayers of Your faithful people for the well being of Your holy Church throughout the world. Govern and sanctify it, with all its pastors and ministers, by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be kept by Your Word in true Faith and fervent love toward You and one another.

**All: Amen.**

### THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**All: and also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

#### THE POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you by His grace unto life everlasting.

**All: Amen.**

#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray. Eternal God,

**All: We give You thanks, that You have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would 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.**

#### THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

**All: Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen**

## **THE BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen.

## **SONG**

Happiness is the Lord

### Verse 1

Happiness is to know the Savior,  
Living a life within His favor,  
Having a change in my behavior -  
Happiness is the Lord;

### Verse 2

Happiness is a new creation,  
"Jesus and me" in close relation,  
Having a part in His salvation -  
Happiness is the Lord;

### Bridge

Real joy is mine,  
No matter if teardrops start;  
I've found the secret -  
It's Jesus in my heart!

### Verse 3

Happiness is to be forgiven,  
Living a life that's worth the livin',  
Taking a trip that leads to heaven -  
Happiness is the Lord.

### Ending

Happiness is the Lord,  
Happiness is the Lord.

## **THE DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

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**NEXT SUNDAY September 1, 2024**

**Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

**Readings for Next Sunday**

**Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Psalm 119:129-136**

**Ephesians 6:10-20 Mark 7:14-23**

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August 18, 2024

Attendance: 27

Offering \$976.20

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Join us for Fellowship Hour following  
worship today



Come and share fellowship time with some  
coffee, cookies and conversation with your Faith in Christ family.

## **Tuesday Bible Study**



Join us at 10:30 am Tuesday Mornings  
for Bible Study. We are in Mark Chapter 8  
Newcomers are always welcome to join in  
learning more from the Word of God.

## **TNT Meeting August 29<sup>th</sup> 7 pm**

The TNT Ministry team will meet **THIS Thursday August 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** in the Narthex. Any Questions? See Holly and Dave about sharing your lives with the youth of TNT. TNT resumes Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.