

PRAYER of THANKSGIVING and DEDICATION
Generous God, receive these gifts and magnify them to bless our community and world. May these offerings reflect our gratitude for your beloved community and trust in your kindom. Amen.

*SONG “We are Walking” #442

BENEDICTION
May you drink from the wells of God’s abundance, nourished by the grace of God, sustained by the truth of God, hydrated by the promise of God, as you go, spread the news and good gifts the Holy One bestows upon all.

SUNG “Amen”(feel free to clap along!)
Postlude
* Please stand if you are able.
Bold- Words in bold are said in unison.

Our worship has ended ~ Let our service begin!

Warm Birthday wishes go out to:

***Edie Shaw July 6th
Nancy Moran July 7th
Alison Zinsli July 7th
Irving Dietel July 9th
Sue Smethurts July 15th
Reese Taylor July 30th***

***Kylee Dobeck July 6
Kelly Turcotte-Colby July 7th
Teomi “Tammy” Cole July 8th
Erin Ruperto July 15th
Madison Arpano July 29th
Debora Wheeler July 31st***

Drink: Service Prayers for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost Year A was written by the Rev. Dr. Cheryl A Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology for the United Church of Christ.

During the First Hymn we have a collection for our monthly meal at WHEAT Community Cafe. Thank you for your generosity!

*For all joys and concerns mentioned in the Pastor’s Tuesday email.
Remember in your prayers our special members: June and Edie K.*

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Ministers, The People of God

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
RINGING of the BELL/TIME of CENTER

*CALL to WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 119 and 65)

One: Praise is due to the Holy One, whose ways are the joy of our hearts.
Many: The Faithful One holds our lives and our hands. Happy are we who praise the Holy One!
One: Worship is due to the Holy One, whose revelation illuminates our path.
Many: The Just God is righteous. Happy are we who follow the Holy One!
One: Love is due to the Holy One, whose compassion, peace, and strength satisfies the prayers spoken and unspoken.
Many: The Sovereign God answers prayer. Happy are we who love the Holy One!

*SONG of PRAISE and SUPPORTING HUMAN JUSTICE
“Wonderful Words of Life”

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*PRAYER of the DAY
God who gathers us together, we delight to be in community with you and one another. Let your word be proclaimed in truth. Let us burst into songs that reflect the depths of our spirits. May our prayers be formed in your name and granted by your wisdom. may we know you, Divine Mystery, and ourselves better and deeper because we have entered your presence as a community of faithful, questioning, and hope-seeking participants in your kingdom. Amen.

*AFFIRMING and CONNECTING (Passing of the Peace) We sing: “Peace be with You”.
* GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen. Amen. (Be seated)

Moment for All God’s Children

Lord’s Prayer 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. 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.

*SONG “Thy Word”

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SCRIPTURE Psalms 119: 105-112 (Common English Bible)
Your word is a lamp before my feet and a light for my journey. 106 I have sworn, and I fully mean it: I will keep your righteous rules. 107 I have been suffering so much– Lord, make me live again according to your promise. 108 Please, Lord, accept my spontaneous gifts of praise. Teach me your rules! 109 Though my life is constantly in danger, I won’t forget your Instruction. 110 Though the wicked have set a trap for me, I won’t stray from your precepts. 111 Your laws are my possession forever, because they are my heart’s joy. 112 I have decided to keep your statutes forever, every last one.

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION and NEW LIFE
Holy One, we incline our hearts toward you, but the concerns of the world and challenges of daily living pull us away. Keep us grounded in your promises, your purposes, your power, and your presence. Reorient us on the road of liberation, belonging, and communal care so that not only do we receive the transformation, we companion with siblings, neighbors, and even enemies in your work of making all things new. Remove the misleading veil that disguises sufficiency with scarcity. Sustain us with being satisfied with enough and abundance materially while continuing to thirst for righteousness so that all may be well. In you, we hope and believe. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE AND ASSURANCE
Beloved, rest in the assurance of Psalm 65:5 “By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.” The Holy One receives and responds to our prayers and offers the promise of renewed life and the power of community in the kingdom of God. Through Christ, we participate as witnesses, agents, and recipients of transformation for the glory of God and by the grace of God.

Prayer Concerns and Joys Lifted Up

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE Romans 8: 1-11 (Common English Version)

Set free by the Spirit. So now there isn’t any condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death. 3 God has done what was impossible for the Law, since it was weak because of selfishness. God condemned sin in the body by sending his own Son to deal with sin in the same body as humans, who are controlled by sin. He did this so that the righteous requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us. Now the way we live is based on the Spirit, not based on selfishness. 5 People who lives are based on selfishness think about selfish things, but people whose lives are based on the Spirit think about things that are related to the Spirit. 6 The attitude that comes from selfishness leads to death, but the attitude that comes from the Spirit leads to life and peace. 7 So the attitude that comes from selfishness is hostile to God. It doesn’t submit to God’s Law, because it can’t. 8 People who are self-centered aren’t able to please God. 9 But you aren’t self-centered. Instead you are in Spirit, if in fact God’s Spirit lives in you. If anyone doesn’t have the Spirit of Christ, they don’t belong to him. 10 If Christ is in you, the Spirit is your life because of God’s righteousness, but the body is dead because of sin. 11 If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your human bodies also, through his Spirit that lives in you.

Meditation - Kelly Turcotte-Colby

Musical Meditation

INVITATION to GENEROSITY
When we share our material resources, we proclaim our trust in God’s provision, abundance, and community. Let us give in order to support the ministry of this church in hope and faith.

Passing of the Plate

DOXOLOGY (Use whatever words are comfortable for you)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost (Creator, Christ, and Spirit One/Father, Son, and Holy Ghost). Amen.

