



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 22, 2025

10:00 am

* all who are able are invited to rise in body or spirit.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Our souls long/or you, O God; where are you?

In raging wind? In trembling earth? In blazing flames?

Our souls long for you, O God.

*Meet us once more, O God,
in stillness, in silence, in smallness.*

**Come now, O God, enter our hearts and minds,
present now for you.**

HYMN* *"Gimme That Old Time Religion"*

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Holy One, God Most High, there are barren places in our lives where we have wandered far from you. We have listened to voices who distracted us from your call. We have submitted to powers competing for our loyalty to you. We have not taken the hand you offer to lead us out of godforsakenness, and into your holy ways. Forgive us. Quench our thirst for you from the Rock of our salvation, and let your love well up in us unto eternal life. Feed us with your word. Deliver us from evil. Let us enter into your kingdom; then send us out to serve you by the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

(silence)

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison.** Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

*The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.*

[You are invited to exchange signs of peace with one another.]

RESPONSE TO PARDON*

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

A TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

PSALM 42. (read responsively) Ann Marie Conner

*As a deer longs for flowing streams,
so my soul longs for you, O God.*

**My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When shall I come and behold the face of God?**

*My tears have been my food day and night,
while people say to me continually,
"Where is your God?" . . .*

**Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?
Hope in God, for I shall again praise him,
my help and my God.**

GOSPEL Luke 8:26-39 Ann Marie Conner

OFFERING OF MUSIC Forest Arnold

NEW TESTAMENT Galatians 3:23-29

SERMON Dr. Linda Dickerson
"Gimme That Old Time Religion"

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE*

God has brought out of the horrors of warfare the judgment and deliverance of nations. Yet the Lord has condemned the atrocities of war and warned his people not to trust in military might. The Prince of Peace does not bring in his rule by force. The Lord is moving toward the time when nations will not learn war any more.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / 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. Amen.

HYMN*

"For Everyone Born"

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE*

Congregation

**Go in peace, and the peace of God on this day be blest.
Go in peace, with the grace of God, giving trav'ler's rest.
I will hold you in my heart; Jesus loves you best.
Go in peace, and the grace of God,
grant you trav'ler's rest.**

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN