

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD'S LOVE

GREETING (HOSEA 2:19-20)

"I will take you for my wife forever; I will take you for my wife in righteousness and in justice, in steadfast love, and in mercy. I will take you for my wife in faithfulness; and you shall know the Lord."

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Lou Churchill

✦CALL TO WORSHIP (PSALM 102:16-20)

Leader: The Lord will build up Zion; he will appear in his glory. He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and will not despise their prayer.

People: *Let this be recorded for a generation to come, so that a people yet unborn may praise the Lord:*

Leader: The Lord looked down from his holy height, from heaven the Lord looked at the earth,

People: *And, the Lord will hear the groans of the prisoners and set free those who were doomed to die.*

✦SONG OF PRAISE

LORD I NEED YOU, w/m by Reeves, Stanfill, Maher, Nockels and Carson

CALL TO CONFESSION (2 CORINTHIANS 11:1-20)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we come before you acknowledging our sin and our need for grace. You have called us to a sincere and pure devotion to Christ, yet our hearts are often divided. We confess that we have allowed ourselves to be led astray and too easily captivated by influence, charisma, popularity, and outward success. We have become slaves of power and have often failed to align ourselves with Jesus, who took the form of a servant. May our lives reflect the gentleness and faithfulness of Christ. Guard us from pride, from manipulation, and from every influence that draws us away from the perfect freedom and love that is found in you. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

PROCLAMATION OF GRACE (ISAIAH 54:5-6)

✦GRATEFUL RESPONSE

HYMN # 96 – *O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING*

✦PASSING OF THE PEACE

"May the peace of Christ be with you....And, also with you"

At this time, the congregation may greet each other with peace.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S LOVE

SCRIPTURE READING

LUKE 13:12-17

Gary Grimes

Leader: Blessed are those who hear and keep what is written, in the light of Jesus, the Word made flesh.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

✦SONG OF FAITH

HYMN # 109 – *O, HOW I LOVE JESUS*

SCRIPTURE READING

ROMANS 6:20 - 7:13

SERIES: PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS

SERMON

"THE FREEDOM OF BELONGING TO ANOTHER" Rev. Dr. Brad Busiek

WE EMBRACE GOD'S LOVE

OFFERING

CHAIN BREAKER, w/m by Smith, Fieldes, and Williams
In response to God's love, we are invited to reflect on how we might give thanks to God through the sharing of our time, talents, and treasures. (During this time, offering plates will be passed down the pews. There is no obligation to give. If you wish to let us know you're here, receive a call, or volunteer, please fill out a yellow connect card and put it in the offering plate.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN # 731 – *MY COUNTRY, 'TIS OF THEE*

THE 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

WE ARE SENT OUT TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE IN THE WORLD

✦CHARGE AND BLESSING (REVELATION 1:4-6)

✦SONG OF DEDICATION

HYMN # 358 – *LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING*

✦*Those who are able, are invited to stand.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Smith Memorial Presbyterian Church! We are glad that you are here and would like to get to know you better. We invite you to gather in the Fellowship Hall after worship for coffee and conversation.

Pickleball and Prayer Summer Clinics in July - Get outside and come learn the fastest growing sport in America with fun drills and games to help beginners learn the basics of pickleball. After we practice and play, we will take a few minutes to share joys and concerns before we close in prayer. We will offer separate clinics for different age groups: children, teens, and adults. Talk with Pastor Brad if interested.

The Food Pantry will be closed on July 4 to celebrate Independence Day.

Our Food Pantry is running low on canned vegetables, fruit, beans, and meat. Can you help by bringing donations? Look for the cart in the entryway. Your help in feeding our hungry neighbors is greatly appreciated.

Walk for your Neighbor” Labor Day 5K - Can you help us get the word out? If you know a business that might like to sponsor the walk or provide a gift card or two for our raffle, please talk to Pastor Brad or Julie, our Food Pantry Director.

A Service to Witness to the Resurrection and Celebrate the Life of Walter Bohnstedt will be held in our sanctuary on Friday, July 10 at 3:00 pm.

A Service to Witness to the Resurrection and Celebrate the Life of Marti Foat will be held in our sanctuary on Saturday, July 25 at 3:00 pm.

REGULAR HAPPENINGS AT SMPC (*schedule changes in italics*)

Day (next date)	Time	Event	Meeting Place	Contact
Sundays	11:45 - 12:15pm	Voice Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary	Michael Day
2nd Sunday (7/12)	11:30 - 1:00pm	Deacon's Meeting	Upper Room	Marty Strange
2nd Sunday (7/12)	After worship	Family Funday	Fellowship Hall	Pastor Brad
Tuesdays	10:30 -11:30am	Gentle Exercise	Fellowship Hall	Linda Murphy
Wednesdays	10:00 -11:30am	Bible Study	Fellowship Hall	Lyn Palmer
Wednesdays	10:00 - 3:00pm	Sewing Group	Upper Room	Gayle Burke
Wednesdays	6:00 - 8:00pm	Youth Group	Church Campus	Pastor Brad
2nd Wednesday (7/8)	5:00pm	Healing Hearts	Location varies	Berni or Becky
3rd Wednesday (7/15)	5:30 - 6:30pm	Community Dinner	Fellowship Hall	Pastor Brad
Thursdays	10:30 -11:30am	Gentle Exercise	Fellowship Hall	Joyce Botsch
Thursdays	2:00-3:30pm	Line Dancing	Fellowship Hall	Janet Emch
2nd/4th Thursday (7/9)	12:00 - 2:00pm	Yarn & Thread	Fireside Room	Joyce Botsch
Thursdays	6:00 - 7:30pm	Jubilant Bells	Sanctuary	Michael Day
Fridays	9:30 - 11:30am	Food Pantry Prep	Church campus	Julie Weindel
Saturdays	10:00 - 12:30pm	Food Pantry	Church campus	Julie Weindel
3rd Saturday (7/18)	Time varies	Outriggers	Location varies	Barb Lintner
Last Sunday (6/28)	9:00 - 10:00am	Poverty Book Group	Upper Room	Amy Busiek
5th Sunday (8/30)	After worship	All Church Potluck	Fellowship Hall	Janet Emch

NEXT WEEK'S (JULY 5) SUNDAY SERVANTS

Greeters	Alicia Campbell and Lyn Palmer	Opening Prayer	Lyn Palmer
Ushers	Baiba Lackey and Gary Grimes	Scripture Reader	Becky Bush
Special Helper	Steve Marker	Recorders	Lyn Palmer and Alicia Campbell
Refreshments	Outriggers		

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