

Welcome To Worship



Sunday September 22nd, 2024



PRELUDE MUSIC
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
INVITATION TO REST

Call To Worship:

L: Happy are those who follow the ways of the Lord.

P: God's ways are just and merciful.

L: Those who follow God's ways are continually nourished in faith.

P: In all that they do, they prosper.

L: Come, let us open our hearts to God's compassionate love.

P: Let us celebrate God's mercy and justice. AMEN.

GATHERING HYMN **#401** **Here In This Place (V. 1 & 4)**

KYRIE **#519** **You Are My Strength When I Am Weak**

You are my strength when I am weak
You are the treasure that I seek. *You are my all in all.*

CONFESSION of Need (Responsive)

Lord Jesus Christ,

We call you Lord,

Yet it is too easy for us to worship other things.

Other activities, other relationships, other gods.

You tell us we cannot serve two masters,

Yet we spend more time focusing our energies elsewhere,

Diverting our time, our energy, our money, our attention away from you.

Forgive us, gracious Savior,
When our hearts are led astray
When we serve other gods and worship them.

We turn away from our distractions and sin.
Strengthen us to set our faces toward Jerusalem,
To take up our cross and follow you.

We pray all this, trusting in your grace. Amen.

KYRIE

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy Is Your Name (x2)

SILENCE for confession and resting In God's grace.

DECLARATION OF GRACE

God's mercies are fresh every morning.
In Christ God offers forgiving grace
and welcome into a community of trust, abundance, and hope.
Let us give thanks for the mercy of God,
and pass all we receive to those among us.

RESPONSE HYMN:

#740

Lead Me Guide Me

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

*Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Holy Spirit, help us hear your voice beyond our inability to hear and understand your word beyond any speaker's ability to explain. Through your word, speak to our hearts even if our heads are not ready to listen.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING 1..... Jeremiah 11:18-20
READING 2..... James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a
READING 3..... Mark 9:30-37

*Leader: The word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God!***

SERMON.....Rev. Gregory Isaacson

SILENCE FOR CONTEMPLATION

CONTEMPLATION HYMN: #450 Be Thou My Vision (Vs. 1,2)

PRAYERS & GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your Mercy. **Hear our Prayer.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER (forgive us our “sins”)

BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)

Beloved children of God receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever.

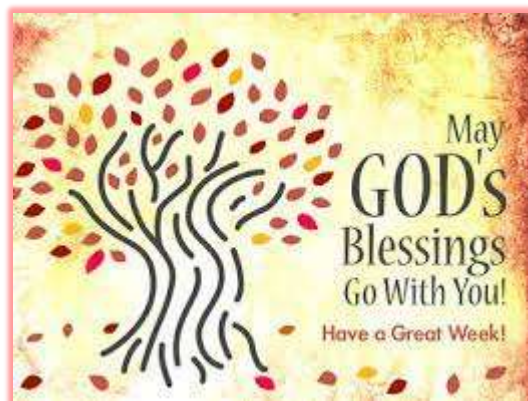
Alleluia! Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #837 What A Fellowship

DISMISSAL (Responsive)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

POSTLUDE



A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!

If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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Sunday- September 22nd

10:45 am

Worship

11:45 am

Coffee Fellowship

Ushers & Greeters..... Ralph Pester & Sandy Perkins

Organist..... George French

Music Director..... Marley Melby

Reader..... Ralph Pester

Wednesday Sept 25th

6:00pm Bells of Praise

Thursday September 26th

1:00pm- Book Study

Next Sunday- September 29th

10:45 am

Worship

11:45 am

Coffee Fellowship

Ushers & Greeters..... Glen & Marlys Finkenbinder

Organist..... Hazel Mendez

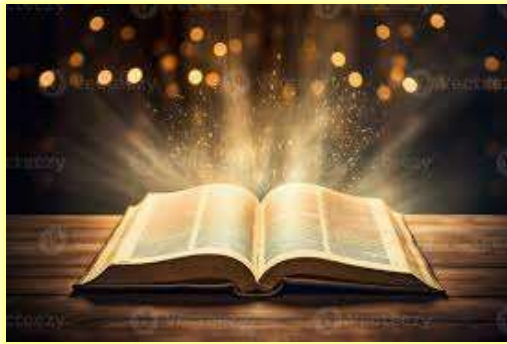
Music Director..... Sandy Perkins

Reader..... Lynne Mullins

Special Announcements!

~First Bibles~

Do you know any kids who would like to receive their first bible? This is traditionally done in first grade, but we know that many families do not get the opportunity. If you have of a grandchild, niece, neighbor or other little one who would benefit from receiving their first Bible and being celebrated, please let Pastor Mike know. We hope to offer this opportunity in worship in the near future.



Andrew Root and Blair D. Bertrand

A Future for
Your Congregation
beyond More
Money, Programs,
and Innovation

When
Church
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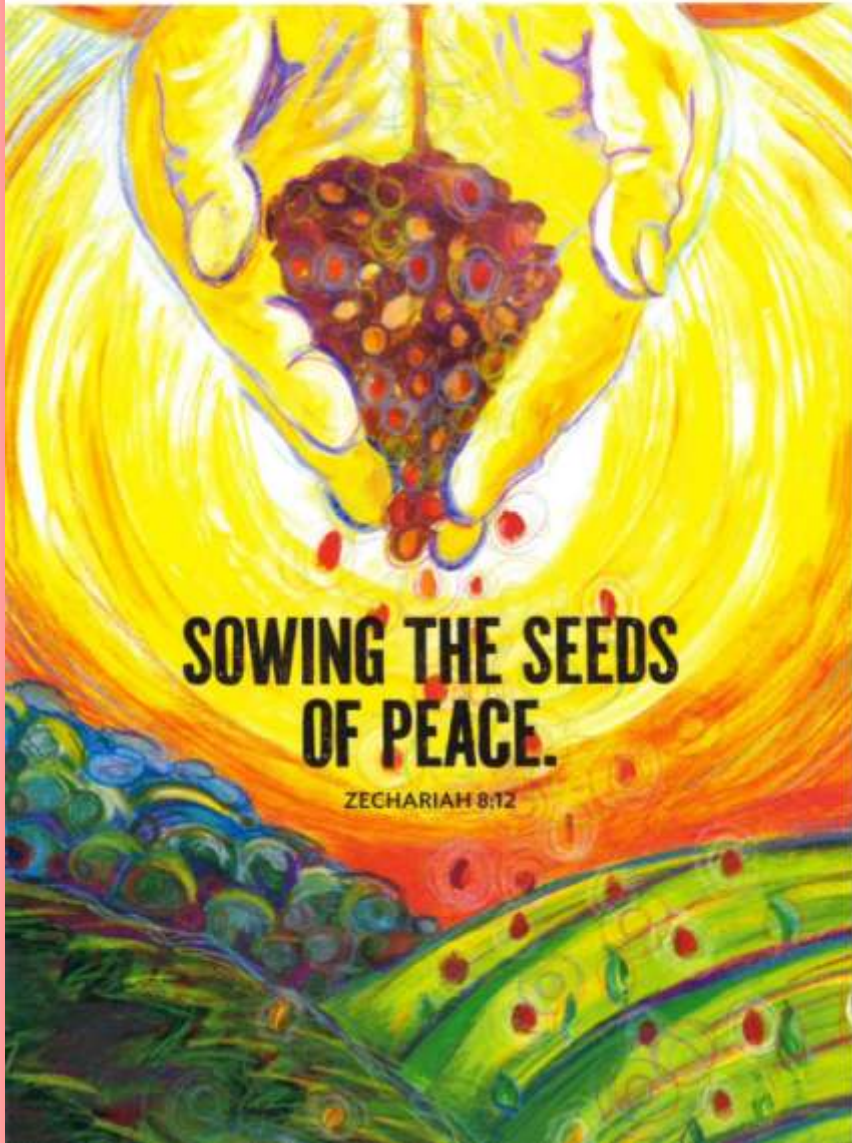


Congregational Book Study: "When Church Stops Working"

Starting Thursday September 19th @
5:15pm - 6:00pm I (Pastor Mike) am
hosting a monthly 'study' of "When
Church Stops Working: A Future For Your
Congregation Beyond More Money,
Programs & Innovation." By Andrew Root
& Blair Bertrand.



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION



SOWING THE SEEDS OF PEACE.

ZECHARIAH 8:12



The joy of Summer is that we have so many places to go and things to do. Unfortunately, that also means we can drift apart as a congregation. That is why we are looking for “Fall Fellowship” ideas and opportunities, ways to connect and be in fellowship together. If you have any ideas on your mind, old or new, please talk to Pastor Mike. Let’s see where the Spirit leads us as it gathers us together!

Bells of Praise & Area Women's Chorus

Bells of Praise is restarting rehearsals on September 4th @ 6:00pm and Area Women's Chorus will begin on October 1st. All are welcome to join. For more information, please contact Sandy Perkins (daisysandrap@hotmail.com).