

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



A Jew, a Christian, and a Muslim from Israel/Palestine,
participants in an interfaith peace camp

September 14, 2025
10:00 a.m.

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...
an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
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- Please silence your cell phone.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.

Prelude

His Eye is on the Sparrow, arr. Pepper Choplin

Welcome



Hymn

God of the Sparrow



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the swirl - ing
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the trum - pet
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the emp - ty
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the prod - i -



stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 gal How does the crea - ture say Care



How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life

5 God of the neighbor
 God of the foe
 God of the pruning hook
 How does the creature say Love
 How does the creature say Peace

6 God of the ages
 God near at hand
 God of the loving heart
 How do your children say Joy
 How do your children say Home

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Music: ROEDER, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of
 the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

Refrain

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Prayer of the Day

God of the loving heart, no matter how often we might turn away from your presence and your compassion, you keep coming back to us to claim us as your beloved ones. Help us realize that your love is what heals us and opens us to see ourselves and others as you see us. Help us fall into your arms, and there find our true home.

Amen.

Please be seated



WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading **Exodus 32:7-14** New Living Translation (inclusivized)
A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord told Moses, "Quick! Go down the mountain! Your people whom you brought from the land of Egypt have corrupted themselves. How quickly they have turned away from the way I commanded them to live! They have melted down gold and made a calf, and they have bowed down and sacrificed to it. They are saying, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.'"

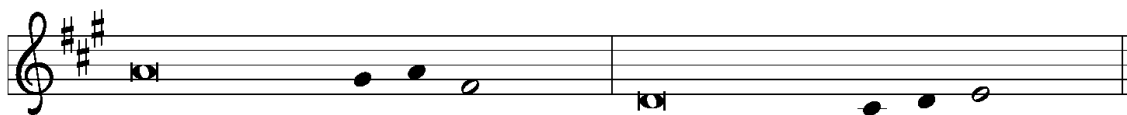
Then the Lord said, "I have seen how stubborn and rebellious these people are. Now leave me alone so my fierce anger can blaze against them, and I will destroy them. Then I will make you, Moses, into a great nation."

But Moses tried to pacify the Lord his God. "O Lord!" he said. "Why are you so angry with your own people whom you brought from the land of Egypt with such great power and such a strong hand? Why let the Egyptians say, 'Their God rescued them with the evil intention of slaughtering them in the mountains and wiping them from the face of the earth'? Turn away from your fierce anger. Change your mind about this terrible disaster you have threatened against your people! Remember your servants Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Rachel? You bound yourself with an oath to them, saying, 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars of heaven. And I will give them all of this land that I have promised to your descendants, and they will possess it forever.'"

So God changed God's mind about the terrible disaster God had threatened to bring on God's people.

May we open ourselves to what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Amen.**

Psalm 51:1-10



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Have mercy on me, O God, according to your ¹ steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out ¹ my offenses.

**Wash me through and through ¹ from my wickedness,
and cleanse me ¹ from my sin.**

For I know ¹ my offenses,
and my sin is ev- ¹ er before me.

**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil ¹ in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right ¹ in your judgment.**

Indeed, I was born ¹ steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my ¹ mother's womb.

**Indeed, you delight in truth ¹ deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom ¹ deep within.**

Remove my sins with hyssop, and I ¹ shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be pur- ¹ er than snow.

**Let me hear ¹ joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken ¹ may rejoice.**

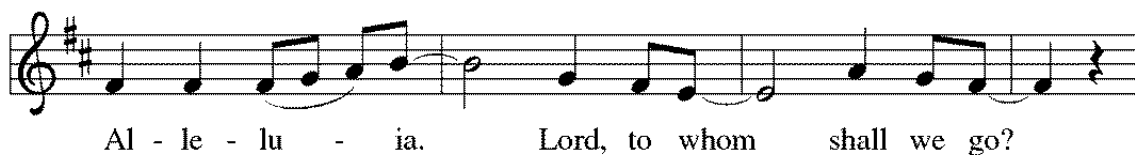
Hide your face ¹ from my sins,
and blot out ¹ all my wickedness.

**Create in me a clean ¹ heart, O God,
and renew a right spir- ¹ it within me.**



Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel

Luke 15:1-10 (The Message)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord.

A lot of men and women of questionable reputation were hanging around Jesus, listening intently [to everything he was saying]. The Pharisees and religion scholars were not pleased, not at all pleased. They growled, "He takes in sinners and eats meals with them, treating them like old friends." Their grumbling triggered this story.

"Suppose one of you had a hundred sheep and lost one. Wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the lost one until you found it? When found, you can be sure you would put it across your shoulders, rejoicing, and when you got home call in your friends and neighbors, saying, 'Celebrate with me! I've found my lost sheep!' Count on it—there's more joy in heaven over one sinner's rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue.

"Or imagine a woman who has ten coins and loses one. Won't she light a lamp and scour the house, looking in every nook and cranny until she finds it? And when she finds it you can be sure she'll call her friends and neighbors: 'Celebrate with me! I found my lost coin!' Count on it—that's the kind of party God's angels throw every time one lost soul turns to God."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Spoken Reflection

REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE

Musical Reflection

No More Sorrow

arr. Shelton Kilby III
Singing Buckeyes

Hallelujah! There'll be no more sorrow, no tomorrow,
There'll be no more cryin', no more dyin'
When I bid farewell to my ev'ry care.
I'm going to wipe, wipe-a my weepin' eyes

Hallelujah! There'll be no more sorrow, no tomorrow,
There'll be no more cryin', no more dyin'
When I bid farewell to my ev'ry care.
I'm going to wipe, wipe-a my weepin' eyes

I had a loving father who has gone on before.
I promised him I'd meet him when they ring,
ring-a them bells in heaven I know.
Gonna ring-a them ding-dong bells way up in glory
Gonna ring-a them ding-dong bells in-a heaven I know.
Gonna ring-a them ding-dong bells way up in glory,
Ding, ding-a dong bells in heaven I know.

Hallelujah! There'll be no more sorrow, there'll be no tomorrow,
there'll be no more crying', there'll be no more dyin',
when I bid farewell to my ev'ry care.
I'm going to wipe, wipe-a my weepin' eyes.

I had a loving mother, who has gone on before.
I promised her I'd meet her when they ring,
ring-a them bells in-a heaven I know.
Gonna ring-a them ding-dong bells way up in glory.
Gonna ring-a them ding-dong bells in-a heaven I know.
Gonna ring-a them ding-dong bells way up in glory,
Ding, ding-a dong bells in-a heaven I know.

Hallelujah! There'll be no more sorrow, there'll be no tomorrow,
there'll be no more cryin', there'll be no more dyin',
when I bid farewell to my ev'ry care.
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When I bid farewell to my ev'ry care.
I'm going to wipe, wipe-a my weepin' eyes.

Apostles' Creed

We honor and celebrate our oneness with Christians in this time and throughout time as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

Community Prayers

After each petition: "Your mercy is great, O God."

Receive our prayer.

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sisters Kleta Childs and Karla Weaver, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Maddie Sutphin, Becky and Larry Trover's son-in-law Brandon James, Skye Andree, Kris Kauffman, Ruth Murray's daughter Ellen Rose and family, Kathie Ehrich, Dottie and Larry Bird, Kelley Frank's mother Charlotte Frank, Edwina Bradley, Karen Rider's niece Tammy and her friend Betsy Wagner, Sue, Tim, and Lisa Watson, Heidi Carman, Deb Turner's friends Sherrie and Jim Tompkins, Emily Crosley.

For the people of David Lutheran Church in Canal Winchester

For Redeemer community members Bryan, Ryland, Auden, and Elinn Neal

Time with the Young People

Presentation of Blankets to High School Graduates

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We greet those who are livestreaming with us by waving to the camera in the back of the sanctuary above the choir loft. Then you are encouraged to greet each other in a way that expresses the peace and love of Christ.

If you do not wish close contact, offer a sign of blessing to others to let them know you are more comfortable greeting them from a distance.

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

During the Rite of Communion, Prayers and Prayer Assistants will assemble on the steps of the sanctuary to offer a gentle touch and blessing. Those who wish to receive this healing in their pews may let an usher know and the healing team will come to you. Jesus often touched others—blessing children, washing feet, and healing injuries or disease. Such an act is a tangible expression of the presence of the healing Christ, working in and through those who minister in His name.



In body or spirit, please stand

Offertory

You Are Holy

1*



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2

You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

* *May be sung in canon.*

Text: Per Harling, b. 1945

Music: DU ÅR HELIG, Per Harling

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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

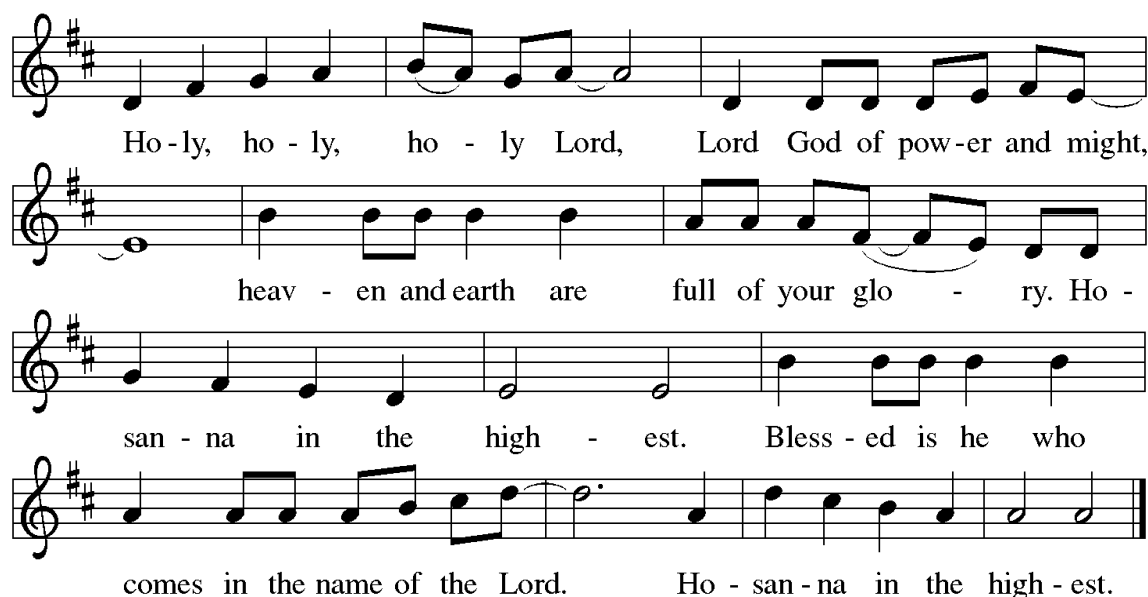
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.**

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is a joy to give you our thanks and praise, Living God, and to gather together around this table. This is the table of our Lord on which he sets his tokens of love and hope and to which he calls all who want to share his life. So come – whether your faith is strong or weak, whether your hope shines brightly or is dimmed. Come, ready to receive – for all are welcome at the feast of love.

We join our voices now in that great song of love and adoration that creation sings back to you.



We remember on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his friends and said — “Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.”

After supper, he took a cup of wine and gave it to them, saying, “This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. As often as you drink this, do so to remember me.”

We commit ourselves to becoming a people of hope as we pray the prayer Jesus teaches us:

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

And so, as we do in this place what Christ did in an upstairs room, send your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine, that the story of hope – of death and rising of new life, and the fruit of your beloved community – may continue on in us and through us.

Sharing the Meal

Whoever you are, from wherever you come, whatever you believe, you are welcome and invited to receive. Come! For all things are now ready.

Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.

Musical Reflection

How Great Thou Art

arr. Timothy Workman
Singing Buckeyes

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made.
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.
And when I think that God his Son not sparing,
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

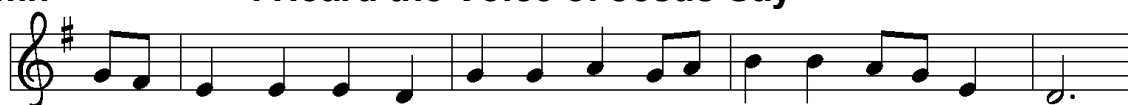
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee
How great thou art, how great thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee,
How great thou art, how great thou art.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God how great thou art!

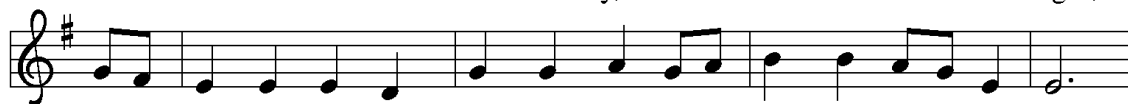
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How great thou art, how great thou art.
Then sings my soul, then sings my soul
How Great Thou Art.

Hymn

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.
 my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889
 Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune



Hymn

God, Whose Almighty Word



1 God, whose al - mighty word cha - os and dark - ness heard
 2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,
 3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,

and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the
 heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -
 speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the
 Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in

gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.
 lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.
 lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.
 full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

Please stand in body or spirit

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous God, whose story and song are now and always the hope of the world, we praise you for the stories of creation and incarnation, redemption and resolution – the unending words of love. We rejoice in your song of yearning and calling, waiting and welcoming, gathering and cherishing – the eternal music of hope.

Amen.

WE ARE SENT

Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain

Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Blessing Backpacks, Briefcases, Etc.

Postlude

Irish Blessing, arr. Don Gray *Singing Buckeyes*

May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face.
May the rain fall soft upon your fields,
And until we meet again,
May He hold you in His hand.
May God hold you in the palm of His,
Hold you in the palm of His hand.

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**Blessing
of the
Backpacks**

Blessing of the
+ Backpacks
+ Brief Cases
+ Tote Bags
+ Pocketbooks
...whatever you use to carry
your essentials every day
During worship on
Sunday September 14

Adult Ed
Sunday September 14 - 11:15 a.m.

Getting to Know You
-Johnobentz Joseph-

As a way to deepen our relationships by getting to know each other better, Pastor Dave will interview Dr. John about his life. You'll have a chance to ask questions as well.

In-Person and Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83475541581?pwd=PEyYLFqECnuQBzf9bSbagxGY44CXcU.1>
Meeting ID: 834 7554 1581 = Passcode: 752230
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Monthly Sunday School for all ages!
Sunday, September 14 == 11:15 am

The Education Team has decided to introduce our youth to the country of our new friends from Haiti. The new year of Sunday School begins on September 14 in Fellowship Hall with the youth. We will read the story of "Salma the Syrian Chef" by Danny Ramadan and imagine what it would be like to be a refugee and live in a new country. Wilfranc Raymond will prepare a Haitian food for us to taste.



Healing Prayer
is offered at worship
the second Sunday of
each month.



LSS Food Pantry

Thursday, September 18

12:30-4:00 pm

*Contact Kathleen Zwanziger
to volunteer*



Tuesday Bible Study

**An exploration of things we might
wish weren't in the Gospels.**

Tuesdays + 1:00pm

In-Person and Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81952034409?pwd=IsLzRLXkWCVvjlAgAzG6mvTT2N9uIR.1>

Meeting ID: 819 5203 4409

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Phone only: 1-312-626-6799



September 21

Celebrate!!!

Celebrate Redeemer's 68th Anniversary!

Worship 10:00 am

Potluck following worship

Sister Act Sing-Along after

Senior Choir

Rehearsal Sundays
Beginning September 7
8:45 – 9:30 am



Add your voice

All are welcome to join and
sing praise to our Creator!



Chime Choir

Rehearsals
Saturdays – 10:00 am
September 13 & 27

**Make a joyful
noise with us!**



Sister Act Fall Retreat

October 10-12

Hope Wood Pines

For details contact Michele Disbro



Birthdays this week:

14 – Elyce Herring
15 – Kris Kauffman
16 – Michele Disbro
16 – Shanaëlle Saint Felix
18 – Bryan Neal
20 – Paula Carson

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Jon Disbro
ASL Interpreter	Emily Ott
Cantor	Mary Benis
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Nate Ott
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Nancy Magargal, Carol Heacock
Producers	Michele Disbro, Sue Yehling
Hospitality	Julianne Johnson & Sara Auman

*Flowers are given by the **Bird family** in **celebration of Ashley's birthday**
and **their wedding anniversary**.*

The Noisy Offering will go to Sikhone Rescue Centre in Kitengela, Kenya.

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER SEPTEMBER 14 – 21

Today	8:45 am	Senior Choir rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
	11:15 am	Sunday School for all ages
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Congregation Council
Wednesday	10:00 am	Coffee and Conversation
Thursday	12:30 pm	RLC at LSS Food Pantry
Saturday	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway – if available
Next Sunday	8:45 am	Senior Choir rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	Anniversary Picnic
	1:00 pm	Sister Act Community SingAlong

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