



Order of Worship
9am July 25, 2021

PRELUDE

Ruby McGuill

GREETING & OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT, hymnal # 657

"This Is the Day"

Nancy Hajek

Leader: This is the day... All: ***this is the day***
Leader: That the Lord hath made... All: ***that the Lord hath made.***
Leader: We will rejoice... All: ***we will rejoice***
Leader: and be glad in it... All: ***and be glad in it.***
All: ***This is the day that the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it.***
Leader: This is the day... All: ***this is the day that the Lord hath made.***

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Genesis 28)

One: People of God, open your eyes.
All: ***Surely the Lord is in this place.***
One: For this is none other than the house of God.
All: ***The meeting place of heaven and earth.***
One: Worship the Lord and celebrate His holy presence.
All: ***Blessed be the name of the Lord.***

OPENING HYMN, hymnal # 121
(to tune 331)

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

1. **There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.**
2. **There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good!
There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.**
3. **For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.**
4. **If our love were but more simple, we should rest upon God's word;
And our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy God, You call us to follow You. You tell us to abide in You and to love You with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We hear Your voice and read Your scripture, but we hesitate to follow Your direction. We hear You calling us to respond with trust and

obedience, but we prefer our own pace. Forgive our stubborn ways and for our self-sufficient hearts. With Your grace, mend us. By Your Holy Spirit, mold us that we might follow You now and forevermore. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS / WORDS OF PARDON

Pastor Andy

PASSING THE PEACE (a moment to share signs of peace and love with one another)

GLORIA PATRI, hymnal # 71

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Titus 3: 1 - 7

Brad Cutright

Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, ²to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarrelling, to be gentle, and to show every courtesy to everyone. ³For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, despicable, hating one another. ⁴But when the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. ⁶This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

One: This is the Word of the Lord and we can trust it.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN, hymnal # 432

“Jesu, Jesu”

Refrain: **Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.**

1. **Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet
Master who acts as a slave to them. {REFRAIN}**
2. **Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,
Neighbors are near and far away. {REFRAIN}**
3. **These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;
All these are neighbors to us and you. {REFRAIN}**
4. **Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves,
This is the way we should live with you. {REFRAIN}**

MESSAGE

“Kindness”

Pastor Andy

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Grace Alone"

Nancy Hajek

DOXOLOGY, hymnal # 95

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMISSIONING VBS VOLUNTEERS

CLOSING HYMN, hymnal # 378

"Amazing Grace"

- 1. Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.**
- 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**
- 3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**
- 4. The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.**

BENEDICTION

SENDING OUT

"The Fruits of the Spirit"

**Love, and joy, peace and patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
Gentleness and self-control; all of these can now be mine.**

POSTLUDE

Ruby McGuill

PRAYERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **Our Military:** *Adam Watson (Army); Jay Pavlica (Navy); Lori (Thurman) Tapley (Army Nurse Corp); Lance Clark (Air Force); Amanda Kana (Navy); Carly Meek (Navy); Scott McKinney (Army); Wesley Craven (Army)*
- † **For Missionaries:** *Steve Johnson & family (Budapest); Cheryl Kruckemeyer (Tanzania)*
- † **Encouragement:** **Doris Pieratt, *Chuk Guzman, *David Vanek, *Jim Tryon, *Jerry Dhooge, *Michelle Pace, *Marilyn Petrich, *Mary Zigal, *Sally & Charles Vannoy, *Ailene Finke*
- † **Healing Mercies:**

*Betty Kahlden *(suffered a minor stroke)*
 *For the Tryon family
 *Mildred Todd *(healing for her eye)*
 *Dick Ingalls *(rehabbing from stroke)*
 *B.B. Connor *(healing mercies)*
 *Mary Collins *(at a memory care facility)*
 *Warren & Adrienne Armstrong

*Pat Garrett *(healing mercies)*
 *Marie Allen *(healing for shoulder)*
 *Nadine Meek *(chemo treatments)*
 *Henry Morgan
 *Jon Ballard *(healing mercies)*
 *Kirby Kline *(continued healing mercies)*

For Our Extended Family:

*For the prayers on our Prayer Wall *(found on our church website)*
 *Shirley Hart *(cancer & pain)* *Charles Hart *(dealing with MS)* *Kerri Gresham *(kidney issues)*
 *Eugene Gresham *(health issues)*

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First Time Guests... we want to especially welcome you. Please stop by our welcome kiosk in the narthex for a special gift. Please register your worship attendance using the form found through this QR Code...



Those Wishing to Join... this church family are invited to contact Pastor Andy through the church office: 979-968-8323. We treasure the opportunity to make this your church home!

Thank You!... thank you to Sherrie Tolbert for organizing VBS this year. And thank you to the amazing team of volunteers who've prepared and are ready to lead an amazing week:

<i>Brenda Holcomb</i>	<i>Donna Stockton</i>	<i>Betty Warren</i>	<i>Pat Garret</i>	<i>Jo Ann Gore</i>
<i>Janetta Morris</i>	<i>Sandy Flagg</i>	<i>Melanie Sneed</i>	<i>Joan Baylor</i>	<i>Jenny Baker</i>
<i>Lorie Machinsky</i>	<i>Misty Touchett</i>	<i>Heidi Stone</i>		

Prayer Opportunity... volunteers are to take one VBS bottle home *(found in the narthex)*. Each bottle contains the name of a child attending our VBS. Pray for that child this week **and return** the bottle on Thursday *(as we are giving each child their bottle)*.

VBS Splash Day... we're closing out VBS with a fun party on Friday from 6pm to 8:15pm. We'll have a cookout and water activities for the kids. The church is invited to join in.

July Alter Rail Offering... each month, we highlight a specific ministry or missionary to support with special donations. Use the giving boxes that we used to use for the worship office. This month we're raising funds for the **Christmas Shoe Boxes**.

Next Prayer Vigil... is August 27 & 28. Sign up for a one-hour time slot through our website.

2nd Chance Work Week... our next time to support this ministry is the week of August 24.

Birthdays... Amy Evans (7/24); Janet Gillentine (7/25); Misty Touchet (7/25); Barbara Walla (7/27)
 Trey Hall (7/30); Judy Otto (7/30)

Anniversaries... Frank & Barbara Wallas (7/23); Betty & L.J. Calley (7/26);
 Pauline & Charles Ebel (7/30)