

Liturgy Insert for the Season after Pentecost Rite II – 9 am ~ August 24, 2025

Today's flowers are given by Joe & Sally Robinson in memory of William D. Thomas.

Today we welcome Robin Skiff on violin.

Opening Hymn Blue Hymnal 423 Communion Hymn Blue Hymnal 339 Closing Hymn Blue Hymnal 550

Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading Isaiah 58:9b-14

Reader: A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;

you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1-8

We will chant the psalm.

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my <u>soul</u>, * and all that is within me, bless his holy <u>Name</u>.
- **2** Bless the Lord, O my <u>soul</u>, * and forget not all his <u>benefits</u>.
- 3 He forgives all your <u>sins</u> * and heals all your in<u>firmities</u>;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave * and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, * and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- **6** The Lord executes <u>righteousness</u> * and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses * and his works to the children of Israel.
- **8** The Lord is full of compassion and <u>mercy</u>, * slow to anger and of great <u>kindness</u>.

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Blue Hymnal **508 vs 1-3**

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do or to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

The Gospel Luke 13:10-17

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Shawn Dickerson

After the sermon silence is kept.

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Sunday Ministry Schedule

*Anne, Dee, & Rita will alternate as Greeters.

Day	Flowers	Ushers	AV	Acolyte	LEM	2nd Rd	Prayers
8/3	KP/AG	Kathy/Marty	Ted	Donald/John	John	Marty	Dorrie
8/10	LL	Marty/Paul	Paul	Grady	Ted	Diane	John
8/17	KP/AG	Elaine/John	Chuck	Gary	Marsha	Michelle	Elaine
8/24	LL	Jean/Chris	John	Grady	Linda	Jackie	Carol
8/31	LL/AG	Jean/Dan	John	Donald/John	Ted	Carol	Jenny