Sunday, September 14, 2025

GATHERING

Whether you are joining us in person or on-line, know that we are here to journey along with you as we live into our mission: to follow and invite others to follow Jesus Christ.

Remembering our Baptism

*Opening Song Everlasting God

*Call to Worship

God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home;

God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us and waste the gifts we have been given.

God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day;

let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever; let us worship God together.

*Song Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

First Lesson 1 Timothy 1:12-17 CEB

Word for Children

Second Lesson Luke 15:1-10 CEB

Message for the Lord's Day Rev. Deborah Coble

Special Music I Believe

Prayers of the People

After each petition, there will be a pause for silent prayer.

After Pastor says "Lord in your mercy" ALL reply "hear our prayer."

Together, let us pray

for the people of this congregation...

for those who suffer and those in trouble...

for the concerns of this local community...

for the world, its peoples, and its leaders...

for the earth you have given to our care...

for the Church universal; its leaders, its members,

and its mission.

in communion with the saints...

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Mission And Ministry Moment

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Special Music Blessings

*Doxology

Blessed be God. Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God. Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessed be His kingdom now and forever. Amen, Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Steadfast and sheltering God, you are our refuge in every age, our hope when foolishness abounds and justice seems far off. Even when the world disappoints, you call us to faithfulness, to community, to generosity that reflects your own heart.

Receive these offerings as signs of our trust in you and our desire to live differently, to live redemptively, and to live hopefully. Use them—and us—for the good that ripples outward, for the healing of hearts and the strengthening of your people. We give not because all is well but because you are good. Amen.

*Song Jesus Messiah

* Benediction

Life is short and we have too little time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.

So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind, and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen.