

NINETH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

JULY 18, 2021

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Jan Mauck, Church Pianist

Welcome and Announcements Brice Smith

*Greeting One Another in Jesus' Name

*Hymn #410 "Firm Foundation" Worship Team

*Call to Worship

We are called to be God's People – The body of Christ on earth.

We were once separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. Now we have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

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For Jesus is our peace, who has created in himself one new humanity out of the two – Jew and Gentile – reconciled to God through the cross.

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Jesus came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. For through him we all have access to the Father by one Spirit.

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We are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

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In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him we are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

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*Opening Prayer

*Song of Faith #85 "I Love You Lord" LAURIE KLEIN

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

The First Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

The Second Reading Ephesians 2:11-22

Song "Make Us One" Worship Team

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings & Prayer of Dedication

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Offertory Special "Cornerstone" Worship Team

*The Gospel Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Children's Message (3rd Grade and younger to Junior Church)

Prayer & Message "What does getting along look like?"
The Reverend Beverly McCurdy, Ordained Minister (Ret)

RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

***Invitation to Faith and Fellowship** – If the Spirit of God is moving you to receive God's forgiving love in Jesus, calling you to be a follower of Jesus in the waters of baptism, or encouraging you to join this Christian Church, please come forward during this song.

* Hymn #544 "The Church's One Foundation" AURELLA

*Spoken Benediction *Please stand if able

HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN TODAY

GOOD NEWS! God loves you and wants to redeem all people. The Bible outlines the way to become a follower of Jesus Christ:

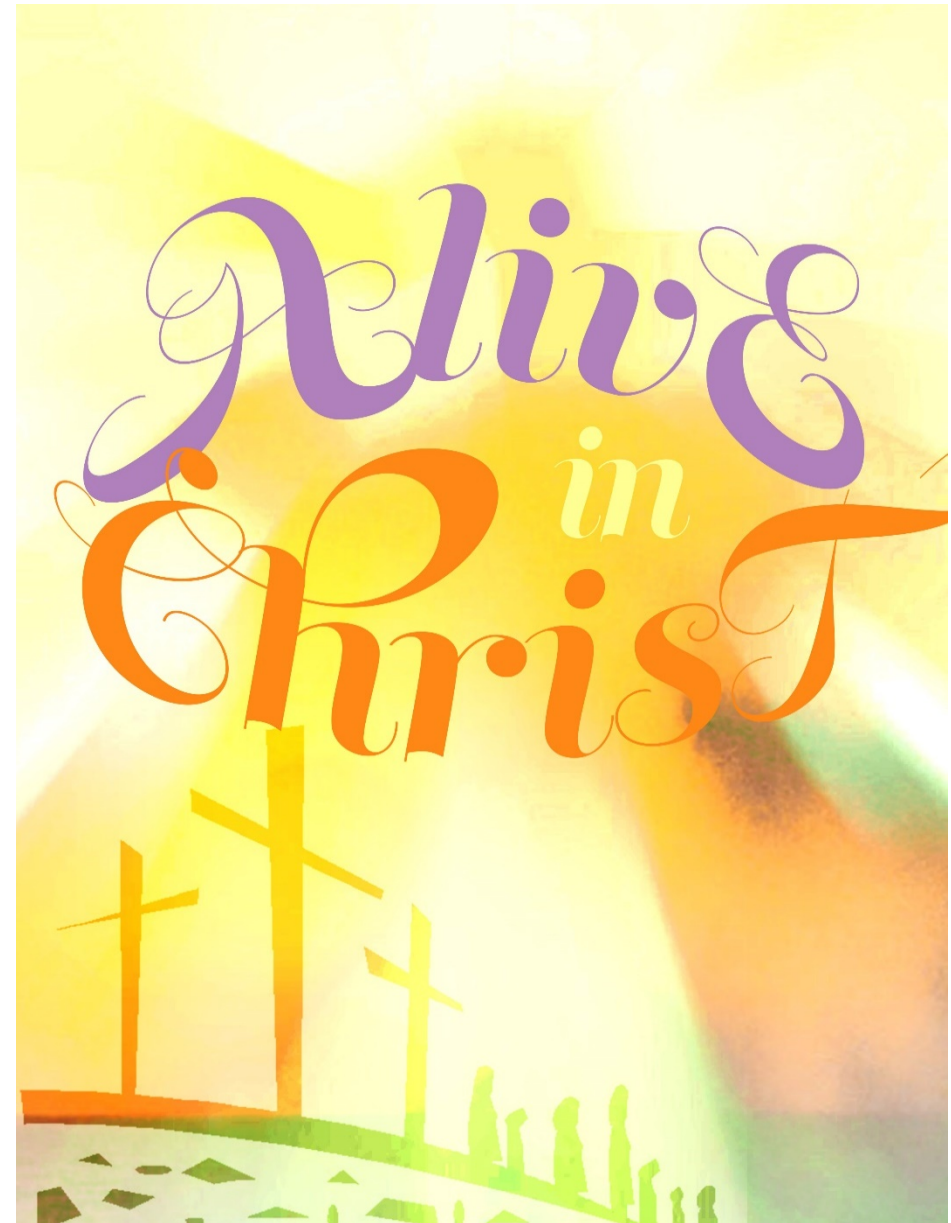
1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you are a sinner (you have done wrong things). Apologize to God and turn away from harmful behavior and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** - Believe that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross and rose from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Savior (Rescuer and Redeemer) and Lord (Ultimate Leader). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS** - Tell your family and friends about your new faith in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly announce your decision to be a Christian.

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church, may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator, or come forward at a meeting of the congregation. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.



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