

Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Wed.	Fri.	Sun.
Monday Meal 5-6 pm	Parish Nurse 9:30-11:30am Joyful Noise 6-7pm	Pause for Prayer 5:30pm	Youth Group at Wednesday Table 4:30-6:30pm Dart ball practice 6:30pm	Parish Nurse by Appontment	Sunday Study 10:15am

2 more Host Homes Needed for Watoto Children’s Choir

- **Oct. 1st THURSDAY Watoto Concert 6:30pm**
- **Oct. 3rd Grace Bridge K-Food Lunch 11:00-3:00pm**
- **Oct. 4th It Takes a Village, Ferguson’s Apple Orchard 1:00pm (meet at church)**
- **Oct. 5th Blood Drive noon-6pm**
- **Oct. 6 Veterans Picnic at River Side Park. All are welcome 4-7pm**
- **Oct. 7th Gather with Youth Group Potato Bar meal & bon fire**
- **Oct. 14th Nail Clinic call Jacki Bruchert 715-529-5637**
- **Oct. 15th Prayer Shawl 4:00-6:00pm**
- **Oct.18th Trunk or Treat 2:00-4:00pm**
- **Nov. 8th Messy Church 10:30-12:00pm**

Ushers Needed for worship

Sign up on clipboard in hallway by exit door or contact office.

Monday’s Meal September 28 Menu subject to change

Tator Tot Hot Dish, Fruit & sweet treat

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Custodian: Kevin Klatt
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September 27, 2026
18th Sunday after Pentecost
Liturgist: Sally Casper



Praise

Love, Love, Love

Holy, Holy

Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord

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Announcements

***Call to Worship** (please stand, if able)

The apostle Paul calls us to “let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.”

What is the mind of Jesus?

The mind of Jesus is to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Paul reminds us that “it is God who is at work in you.” How is God at work in us?

God enables us through grace to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Paul exhorts us to “work on your own salvation with fear and trembling.” How do we work on our own salvation?

We cooperate with grace to love God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

Beloved, we gather to worship God who, through Jesus, shows us how to love and enables us to love as Christ loves us.

We gather to learn how to live in full accord through our love of God, neighbor, self, and all creation.

***Opening Prayer (bold in unison)**

Most wonderful God, the beauty we see in Jesus is your beauty veiled in human flesh, the love we witness from Bethlehem to Golgotha is your love contracted to a span.

If Christ’s life is so holy as to fill us with wonder, how much more would your unveiled beauty leave us overwhelmed and trembling? You are more than the eye could bear, more than the mind can ever fathom. Yet you have so carefully made us that although we cannot fathom you, we can yet love you.

Gratefully, we bring our little lives to you, asking that our worship may arise from love and be shaped by love, and be directed towards that larger loving which is our soul’s desire.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

*Opening Hymn

Children’s Message

Prayer of Confession (BOLD in unison)

Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above (vs 1 & 3)

UMH#96

Bill Wiese

L: Within the strength of community, in the power of silence, we come before God with the truth of our lives, trusting in the mercy and love of our Creator. Let us offer our confession before God and each other.

P: Holy God, we know that in so many ways, we have run from you, we have ignored your call, we have closed our eyes to your presence, we have disbelieved your mercy, we have disregarded your words, we have belittled ourselves, we have forsaken others. So we ask, once again, for your forgiveness.

We ask you to stay with us as we turn away from what is wrong and hurtful to what is bright and life-giving. And hear now our silent prayers.

...*Silence is kept*...

Words of Assurance

Rev. Inwha Shon

L: Receive the good news: God’s love abounds for us, forgiving us and restoring us to Community with God and one another. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

P: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Blessed with God’s love, let’s share signs and blessings of love with others, now in this time of worship and in the week ahead.

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Inwha Shon

The Lord’s Prayer

Ecumenical Text

UMH # 894

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 for ever. Amen

Scripture John 11:45-57 NIV

⁴⁵ Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus believed in him. ⁴⁶ But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. ⁴⁷ Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. “What are we accomplishing?” they asked. “Here is this man performing many signs.

⁴⁸ If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation.”

⁴⁹ Then one of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, spoke up, “You know nothing at all! ⁵⁰ You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish.”

⁵¹ He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, ⁵² and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one. ⁵³ So from that day on they plotted to take his life.⁵⁴ Therefore Jesus no longer moved about publicly among the people of Judea. Instead he withdrew to a region near the wilderness, to a village called Ephraim, where he stayed with his disciples.

⁵⁵ When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, many went up from the country to Jerusalem for their ceremonial cleansing before the Passover. ⁵⁶ They kept looking for Jesus, and as they stood in the temple courts they asked one another, “What do you think? Isn’t he coming to the festival at all?” ⁵⁷ But the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that anyone who found out where Jesus was should report it so that they might arrest him.

*Hymn of Praise

Lead Me, Guide Me (refrain only 2x's)

TWFS#2214

Message

The Way of Jesus Between Comfort and Elitism

Rev. Inwha Shon

Invitation to the Offering With gratitude for blessings received, we present our blessings in this time of offering. May God guide us to give generously of our time, talent, service, and treasure, that we may be blessings for the world.

Offering

*Doxology

Halle, Halle, Halleluja

TFWS#2026

*Offertory Prayer

Rev. Inwha Shon

*Closing Hymn

Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love (vs. 1,4)

UMH # 422

*Benediction

Rev. Inwha Shon

Postlude

Glorify Thy Name

Pianist Lanna Laird

Joys and Prayers

- Janet’s friend Nancy who has pancreatic cancer
- For Howard H, Kay, and those suffering loss in Savoonga Alaska.
- For flood victims
- Jesssica requests prayers for her newborn nephew, Lars, He has a liver biopsy moved to Sept. 28. Pray also for his parents Stephen & Ellie.
- Rory who is out of hospital, recovering from pneumonia
- For Visitation Ministry Home Bound or in Care Centers: June Harvey, Danielle Mensing, Jane Larsen, Rick Jenson, Mary Ellen Lidgerding, Ramona Reidt, Betty Hazen, Barbara Laatsch, Carolyn Hubbard, Rosella Blakley, Robert Barber, Dave Sweeney