

8th Sunday After Pentecost

July 19, 2015 ♦ 11:00 a.m. Worship

GATHERING

Welcome & Announcements

*Passing of the Peace

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come, out of your busy lives to a quiet time and place.

People: Our souls thirst for some peace and quiet.

Leader: Come, and rest in the Lord who will restore your souls.

People: Our lives need moments of rest.

Leader: Come and find the quiet center. Come, be at peace.

People: Praise God who offers to us a shelter and resting place. AMEN.

*Hymn #553

And Are We Yet Alive

Opening Prayer

Lord, we gather here this morning with lives that are filled with activity and movement. We rush from one thing to another as though we are going to run out of time to accomplish everything. Help us to let go of the hectic times and the stresses and find our rest in you. Relax our spirits and refresh our souls. Remind us that there will always be things to do and places to go, but that we need the rest of spirit that you provide. AMEN.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Old Testament Lesson – 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Psalter - Psalm 89:20-37

Hymnal, Page 807, Response #2

*Gloria Patri #70

Epistle Lesson - Ephesians 2:11-22

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn #378 (vss. 4-6)

Amazing Grace

*Gospel Lesson – Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

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People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Sermon – “Brought Near”

Pastor Combs

*Affirmation of Faith #881 - The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

The pastor will lift up a series of petitions. After each petition:

Pastor: Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer (#895)

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.

Offering & Offertory *Christ Has Broken Down the Wall* Miller

*Doxology #95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn #545

The Church's One Foundation

*Benediction

*Postlude

**For those who are able, please stand*