Liturgist: Samantha Howlett

Suggested Readings for September 14, 2025:

Psalm 40:5-11; Acts 16:19-40; 1 Peter 4:8-11

- •In-person Attendance Last Week: 65
- Sunday School Attendance Last Week:

Love always involves responsibility, and love always requires sacrifice. And we do not really love Christ unless we are prepared to face His task and to take up His Cross.

William Barclay

Ministers: All professing members of Locust Grove GMC

Pastor: Rev. Booker D. Brown, Jr.



Welcome Guest! We are happy you have chosen to worship with us. We pray that the Lord will touch your heart today and fill you with the truths of God.

Locust Grove Global Methodist Church Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 AM Worship, 11:00 AM Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 7, 2025

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(*Please Stand as You Are Able)

ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Choir

*PRAISE SONG

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S TIME

*CALL TO WORSHIP, (Responsive Reading)

L: We gather today with praise for the wonderful works of God.

P: Even before we speak, God knows our thoughts completely.

L: The Holy One who knows us sustains us, even in our moments of confusion and doubt.

P: Who can count the thoughts of God? They number more than all the sands of the desert.

L: Like clay in the hands of the potter, we are shaped into vessels of divine will.

P: We come to worship and praise the wonderful works of God our Father. Thanks be to God! Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, bless us with your presence as we worship you in spirit and in truth. Please help us to allow your Holy Spirit to bring us to a saving knowledge of you. We long to know you and to hear your voice over the noise and confusion of our day. Draw near to us and nourish us with your Holy Word. In the Name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, we pray. Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S PEOPLE Pastor Booker
PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor Booker

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Booker

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Pastor Booker

SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (Pg. 1172) Jeremiah 18:1-11

GOSPEL LESSON (Pg. 1591) Luke 14:25-35

SERMON "Count the Cost" Pastor Booker

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HOLY COMMUNION

A Service of Word and Table II, Pgs. 12-15, Hymnal

*CLOSING HYMN "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" #2129, TFWS Hymnal

GOING FORTH FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CLOSING PRAYER

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE