

August 3rd, 2025

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

Preludes: “My Jesus”, “Even If”, “Me on Your Mind”

Welcome

Call to Worship:

Children of God, in Jesus,

Love became flesh and moved into the neighborhood.

We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

In Jesus, we meet the fullness of God

with no barriers to access.

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In Jesus, our separation from God, neighbor, self, and creation

has been removed. We are free for divine

and loving connection once again.

We gather to worship Christ, the image of the invisible.

Children of God, come! Come, let us worship God, whose

power makes Love visible to us so that we might

reflect Love to the world.

**Come, let us worship Christ, Love who came to dwell
among us and within us!**

*Song of Praise

“Shine Jesus Shine”

Children’s Message

“What does God look like?”

Joys and Concerns

Prayers for the People

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Let us open our hearts and minds to the truth of our lives and let
us offer that truth to God. Forgive us, O God, when we limit you

– When we remake you in our image, when we claim our

causes as your own, when we box you in, and explain you

away, and in our attempts at understanding, whittle away all

mystery. Forgive us for our human impulses, and change us:

Awaken us to your glory, confound us by your love, shower us

with grace so that we will be made new, recreated in your
image, Grateful for all that we cannot know. In the name of
Christ, who brought us closer to you, we pray. Amen.

**Beloved children: Hear and believe the good news, God’s mercy
and peace are upon you now and always.**

The New Testament Lesson(s): Colossians 1:15-28

Reader: The word of God, For the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Offertory

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

**Holy and Reconciling God, in Christ, you have made the
invisible visible, bringing us home with love beyond
measure. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect our
gratitude for your presence in our lives. Use them to build
your kingdom, to restore what is broken, and to remind the
world of your grace. May our giving be an act of
thanksgiving, a sign of the ordinary magic of your love at
work among us. In all things, may we live to your glory.
Amen.**

*Hymn

“It Is Well With My Soul”

UMH 377

Message:

Dear Children of God: Part 2

Week 2

”Image of the Invisible”

Music Ministry “Your Grace Still Amazes Me”

Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn

“Victory in Jesus”

UMH 370

Benediction and Goin Forth:

**“Making Disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the
world.”**



**All are welcome,
none are turned away!”**

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