



August 17, 2025

10 am Worship

Season after Pentecost

Message:

Are You a Follower or a Traveler!

Scripture:

Luke 14: 25-35 NIV



Our Mission

*The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

****Opening Prayer (unison)***

Dear Lord, you have searched for us and called us your own. We do not seek your guidance and we long to know you more. As we join here in worship today, may our hearts, minds and lives be open to your eternal presence. May we be renewed and energized for the work of ministry in Jesus Christ. Amen.

****Call to Worship (responsive)***

Pastor: People of God, open the doors of your hearts this day.

All: We open our minds and souls to the presence of the living Lord among us.

Pastor: Friends and neighbors in Christ, today the Lord may ask you to surrender that which you hold dear.

All: We are ready for whatever Christ requires of us?

Pastor: Faithful pilgrims, May the Lord bless you with the strength to give up whatever obstructs his love, as we gather in joy and celebration this day.

*** Hymn of Preparation** Holy, Holy, Holy #64

Children's Message

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow #95*

***Prayer of Dedication**

* Please stand as you are able.



Our Time of Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*** Hymn of Praise** *Glory be to the Father #70*

Scripture Luke 14: 25-35 NIV

²⁵ Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: ²⁶ “If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

²⁸ “Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won’t you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? ²⁹ For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, ³⁰ saying, ‘This person began to build and wasn’t able to finish.’

³¹ “Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won’t he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. ³³ In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

³⁴ “Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? ³⁵ It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; it is thrown out.

“Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”

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*** Hymn of Dedication** The Old Rugged Cross #504

Benediction

Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.

weekly schedule

All are welcome!
Please contact the office for more information.

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| Sunday 10am | Worship |
| Sunday 11am (Prayer Room) | Prayer Meeting |
| Monday 9:30am (Fellowship Hall) | Tai Chi |
| Tuesday 10am (Fellowship Hall) | Line Dancers |
| Tuesday 7pm (Fellowship Hall) | Just Recovery |
| Friday 10am (Fellowship Hall) | Line Dancers |
| Saturday (8th Avenue Place) | Homeless Ministry (1 st and 3 rd Saturdays 8:30 am) |



Today is the last day! We are accepting donations for our
Back-to-School Supply Drive!

Flyers and collection box are located in the Narthex



Today 08/17/25 following worship - Nominations Meeting (Lay
Leadership and Development)

upcoming events



Thursday 09/04/25 6:30 pm - New!! Additional
Worship Service Time

A Note from Pastor Don

Members and Friends, Please contact me directly by cell phone text or email if you need to speak with me. My contact information is located in the bulletin as well as on the business cards in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you.



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Holy Communion Schedule

Holy Communion will be held on the **first Sunday** of **February, June, August, October, and December**, as well as on **Ash Wednesday** and **Maundy Thursday**.