

11th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM

August 4th, 2024

10 Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. 11 Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Psalm 51:10-12

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

P: Let us also lay aside every weight, and the sin that clings so closely

L: And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

P: Looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, whom we worship this day. Amen.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

No. 11

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we confess our tendency toward a life driven by our preferences rather than Your instruction. It is easier to follow our own path of ease, comfort, and stability instead of running hard after You. We are quick to forget what You have taught us as we sink back into our personal desires. Help us, Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to love the things You love. May Your direction—not our want to be complacent and patience when we are frustrated with ourselves and others. We trust in Your unfailing love as You help us grow in love and knowledge of You. In Jesus’ name, Amen. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***CONFESSION RESPONSE:**

“Behold the Lamb”

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING RESPONSE:**

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS RECAP & CHILDREN’S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 3:13-17

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 14:5-7

SERMON

“Jesus is the Truth”

Dave Freund, CLP

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

***HYMN**

“How Deep the Father’s Love”

COMMUNION

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN**

“How Great Thou Art”

No. 147

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

***Those who are able please stand.**

Ushers: Deacons

Welcome Desk: Kathy Kriebel

Liturgist: Lori McCann

Greeters: Autumn Moore

Fellowship Hour: Julie & Kay Freehling

Child Care: Pam Greb

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday:	10 AM	Worship & Communion
	6 PM	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
Saturday:	9 AM	Men's Breakfast @ Mac's Cafe
August 11th:	10 AM	Worship

MEALS ON WHEELS- If you signed up to bring a dessert please drop it off in the hallway outside Room #15 today.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-A big thank you to all of our VBS volunteers, we couldn't have done it without you. Thank you for a wonderful week. We had over 50 kids in attendance!

CARE TEAM MEETINGS-One division of the Care Team will meet on the second Sunday of the month following Sunday worship. The facility team will meet on August 25th at 11 AM in Parker Hall. Please contact Tim with any questions.

CHURCH PICNIC- The all church picnic will be Sunday, August 18th at 12:00 PM at the Slear's property. The deacons will be providing the meat. Please bring a salad, side, or dessert to share. There is a signup sheet in the library for an estimated count.

ADULT MISSION TRIP MEETING- There will be an informational meeting on August 25th following worship for those interested in coming on our adult mission trip to Wilmington, NC on Feb 22nd-March 1st, 2025.

DEACONS MEETING- The deacons will be meeting after worship on August 11th in the Library.

CLUB 35- Will be having a fun water night at the church on Friday, August 16th from 6-8 PM. Please see Pastor Mike to signup.

YOUTH GROUP- Join us for Cornhole Mini Golf on Wednesday, August 14th at 6 PM. Please see Pastor Mike to signup.

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