

4th JULY
INDEPENDENCE DAY
250th Anniversary



"This is the day the Lord
has made, let us rejoice
and be glad in it"

Psalm 118:24

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July 5, 2026

~ Sixth Sunday after Pentecost / Communion Sunday ~
10am Worship

We Celebrate the Good News

The Gathering of God's People

Time to speak with each other

Greeting

"The Lord be with you...
And also with you."



*Please fill out and pass the Friendship Books.
Visitors, please fill in your address as well. Thank You!*



Prelude



The Call to Worship

Pam Kara / Congregation

L: Drawn toward a holy center. Beckoned to explore the depths.

P: Searching for the heart's true song. Looking for a word that's true.

L: Here and now, we are found by God's grace and embraced with God's love.

All: Now we can stand on solid ground in the midst of shifting sands.



Gathering Hymn: "America, the Beautiful" #418

The Welcoming Prayer/God's Greeting

Rev. Jack Branford

The Call to Confession

Pam Kara

Prayer of Confession

O Life that surges through all living things and is their source, we confess that we have often closed ourselves off and prevented the river flow of life through us. We have lost touch with the unique worth of the life each of us has to live. Our eyes fail to perceive beauty in people and in the world. Open our eyes, that we may walk in newness of life through the One who is the resurrection and the life. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Pam Kara

The Law

Pam Kara



“Glory Be to the Father”

Anthem

We Proclaim the Good News

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



The Message

“Come to Me”

Rev. Jack Branford

We Respond to the Good News

(Please print your prayer request on the blue card in the pew rack and deposit in offering plate.)

The Offering



The Doxology: “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

The Offertory Prayer

In the name and in the spirit of Jesus, we bring our gifts to you, O God. Help us to give with them a ready mind, a willing spirit and a joyful heart. Amen.



The Sacrament of The Lord’s Supper

All who have been baptized, and who believe that Jesus is our Lord and Savior, are welcome to this table, regardless of church membership or affiliation.

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

L: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

P: **They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at the table in the kingdom of God.**

L: According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at the table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

P: Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

L: This is the Lord's table.

P: Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Gracious and loving God, we thank you that in your love, you created for us a wonderful world. You made it a place of peace for the whole of your creation; you filled it with everything your people need. You made us in your image, to follow your way, and to live in right relationship with you and with each other. And from the beginning, you saved us! Even when we gave up on your way of peace and justice, yours is a love that never gave up on us. And so you sent your greatest gift, the gift of your only Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.



Communion Hymn: “Come, Share the Lord” #782

Words of Institution

The Breaking of the Bread
The Blessing of the Cup

Prayer After Communion

O God, through this bread and this cup, you have made us one with you and with each other. May the unity we find at this table be a gift that we carry out into your suffering, divided world. Help us to find strength in knowing that you, the God of peace, will always be with us. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving (Pastor)

The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.



Sending Hymn: “This Land is Your Land” (See Printed Copy)

Benediction Postlude



Communion Preparers: Joan Heller, Arra Mowry

Communion Servers: Roger Eddy, David Grammerstorf, Jeff Wright, Janet Bass

See the information table for a list of our current Consistory Members and Committees.