



PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
OF THE ROSES

Reaching out with Nurturing Love to all People.



Artist: James Jacques Joseph Tissot (1836-1902)

Seventh Sunday in Pentecost
July 12th, 2026 Worship 10 am

First Time Here? Thank you for coming! Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Please join us for fellowship & coffee in Bowen Hall after service.

Assistance needed?

Large print bulletins, a hearing loop and hearing assist devices are available from our tech team at back of the church.

*Asterisk means please stand if able.

The **BOLD** is spoken by the congregation.

Children with you?

Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way and the kids table in the back of our Sanctuary.

(Sunday school will resume in Aug.)

Quite Room open at back of church.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“Adagio”

W.A. Mozart

WELCOME *-If you are a visitor, have a prayer request, or want to update your contact info, please fill out the connect card and place it in the offering plate.)*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather today in the midst of busy lives and hectic schedules that mirror the chaotic pace of the world around us.

We come to set our minds on the guidance of the Spirit.

We gather as people inundated with constant information, fast-moving news cycles, and ever-present alerts vying for our attention.

We come to set our minds on the guidance of the Spirit.

We gather as people seeking to anchor ourselves in the faith as the world around us is blown to and fro by waves of fear, scarcity, and reactivity.

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Beloved, come. Come to find rest, grounding, and guidance in the Spirit who dwells in you.

We come to set our minds on the Spirit who guides us and draws us together toward life, peace, and flourishing.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, January 2026.

*HYMN #32

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Gesangbuch der Herzogl. Hofkapelle, Württemberg, 1784

1. I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day.

The moon shines full at God's
command, and all the stars obey.

2. I sing the goodness of the Lord
who filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures through
the Word, and then pronounced
them good.

Lord, how thy wonders are
displayed, where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!

3. There's not a plant or flower
below but makes thy glories known.
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne,
while all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care, and everywhere
that we can be, thou, God, art
present there.

*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

O God who loves us, hear our prayer. So often we come to you at a loss – at a loss for the right words, the right deeds, the right feelings. We know all is not right, but we cannot say with certainty what is wrong. There are deep divisions between us and others. There are too many who live in poverty and fear. There are too many horrific stories, and not enough hopeful ones. So we pray to you, our Creator and Redeemer, to make things right, and to make us right with you and each other. Turn us around from that which destroys toward that which heals and brings joy.

*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

Friends, let us proclaim the Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Let us go out into the world as people made new by God. **Amen.**

Congregational Prayer and Words of Affirmation written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, “Hold Fast to What Is Good.” Used with permission.

<https://holdfasttowhatisgood.com/liturgy/prayer-of-confession/>

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581 Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen Amen

CALL FOR OFFERING

Chris Rhodes

OFFERTORY

"Ave Maria"

Bach/Gounod
(click to donate)



*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God, above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

You call us to sow your word in all times and places, even when the ground is hard and shallow. For faith is a gift that comes from you, and fruitful discipleship is the work of your Spirit in us. May the gifts we offer this day spread the good news of life abundant in Christ.

Amen.

*Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year A, Volume 2, ed.
Kimberly Bracken Long, p. 77*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION-

HYMN #288

"Spirit of the Living God"

D. Iverson

Spirit of the Living God Fall afresh on Me

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 65:9-13 (NRSVUE)

Chris Rhodes

This is the word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

"Cantate Domino"

Hans Hassler

Carol Menke, Connie Vocature, Derrick Podlewski, Bill Morgan

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name:

be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honour unto the heathen: and his wonders unto all people.

GATHERING OF THE CHILDREN-

CENTS & CENTS-ABILITY OFFERING

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING- Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 (NRSVUE)

SERMON

"The Ordinary"

Rev. Dr. Kevin Buchanan

THANKSGIVING FOR FAITH SERVICE AND FOND FAREWELLS

Presentation

Rev. Lynne Vandercook was clothed with Christ in baptism and called by God through the voice of the church to give particular service as our parish associate.

We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ and celebrate God's call to all who minister among us.

Prayer

Recognition of those departing from this congregation-

Chandler & Charlotte Benton, Melissa Henry, Crystal Isakson & Richard Roszak, Leonie & Cooper and Lynne Vandercook

Prayer

*HYMN #306

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Johan Georg Nageli

1. Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

2. Before our *Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers.
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are
one, our comforts and our cares.

3. We share our mutual woes;
our mutual burdens bear.

And often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.

4. When we are called to part,
it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.

5. From sorrow, toil, and pain,
and sin we shall be free;
and perfect love and friendship
reign through all eternity.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God is the One who answers prayer and walks with us in times of celebration and grief, for the Holy One has a purpose more glorious than we can imagine. Let us offer our prayers and give thanks to the One who comforts, restores, and heals. Let us pray for all leaders and people of the world.

You created one human family to live and to flourish in peace. Give us the wisdom to order our world that all may find shelter, sustenance, and love.

Let us pray for the church.

You have given us the gift of the indwelling Christ, that your church may be faithful, loving, and wise. Give us strength to follow your Son until all are reconciled by his grace and love.

Let us pray for those who are sick, who suffer need, or are in danger.

You have made us for a noble purpose, to love and care for each other at every turn. Give us the compassion and skill to love our neighbor and seek the well-being of those in need.

Let us pray for your creation.

Your faithfulness is revealed in the rhythmic nature of creation, and your sanctuary is known in the earth itself. Rid us of the apathy and greed that injures its health, for you have bound your creation together for the blessing of all.

Let us remember those who have died.

You call us into communion in worship to glorify you and sing your praise. Make us one with the saints, who have found their eternal rest with you.

Let us be bold to pray what we have been taught:

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.

Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year A, Volume 2, ed. Kimberly Bracken Long, pp. 76-77

*HYMN #459 "O Word of God Incarnate" adapt. Felix Mendelssohn

1. O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky:

we praise you for the radiance
that from the hallowed page,
a lantern to our footsteps,
shines on from age to age.

2. The church from you, dear
Savior, received this gift divine;
and still that light is lifted
on all the earth to shine.

It is the chart and compass
that, all life's voyage through,
amid the rocks and quicksands
still guides, O Christ, to you.

3. O make your church, dear
Savior, a lamp of purest gold
to bear before the nations
your true light, as of old;
O teach your wandering pilgrims
by this our path to trace,
till, clouds and storms thus ended,
we see you face to face.

BENEDICTION-

POSTUDE-

"Benedictus"

Francois Couperin

PREACHER: *The Rev. Dr. Kevin Buchanan* LITURGIST: *Chris Rhodes*
MUSIC: *Carol Menke, Connie Vocature, Derrick Podlewski, Bill Morgan*
with Carol Menke as accompanist.

AUDIO VISUAL TECHNOLOGY TEAM : *Anthony Cornejo, Phil Goede,*

DJ Maxwell-Kellam, Mia Krause, Josh Lim, Nico Wycoff

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FELLOWSHIP FOOD—PLEASE HELP

Each Sunday we look forward to fellowship time—often we sit at the same table with the same friends-- Maybe our table could get together and each bring something for fellowship time, and come a bit early to help set up and if possible help clean up the tables etc. after we are feed. This is a great way to "Give Back" for all the food that has nourished us over the months.

We have several open dates for Aug. that need to be filled.

Please talk to Catherine or Bob Priestley this Sunday. Thank You!



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PRAYER REQUESTS-
Please include in your prayers-

Dennis Baker
Greg Basham
Jim Bauer
Barbara Blinn
David Barber
Diana Burdick
Walker Cash

Marjorie Cortez
Yvonne Draper
Robert Flandermeyer
Michele Hare
Phil Henry
Dorothy LeCel
Amber's companion,
Lucky Star

Chris Ledwick
Vivian Mazeski
Gene Michel
Lesley Pillsbury
Jonathan Steele
Lynne Vandercook
Dr. Bob Yee

Those serving in our military

Coast Guard Commander Ian Alloway Culver in Washington D.C – Headquarters,
Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. with the Air Force Reserve

*“Today’s flowers are in honor of our Dear Parish Associate,
Lynn Vandercook, Lynn is moving on to a new chapter in
her life. We want to thank her for all she has contributed to our
faith journey.”*



Book Club on Zoom- Thur. July 17th 2:30pm

Men’s Group will meet Sat. July 18th 8:15am for breakfast *Special Italy picture event will follow breakfast

Women’s Coffee @ Pascaline (no host) open to all women 8:15-10am

Beading Group -All welcome- Sat. July 25th 9:30-12:30

**Adam Manasra -Discussion on his book “A Chronicle of our Land
Sun 7/26 11:30 in Rose Room**