

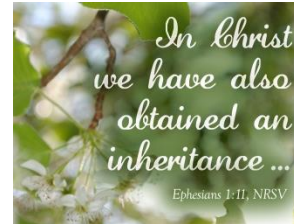
Prayer Concerns

First Responders	Donald R.
Victims of natural disasters	Connie C.
Those suffering from mental illness	Viola C.
	Victor, lifted by Reba Y.
Those affected by gun violence	Jim, friend of Bill & Marilyn R.
Those who are homeless	Sheryl, lifted by Sally S.
Stephen Ministers	Sterling B.
Care Receivers	Keith A.
Josh O. & Guylene H.	Mary, lifted by Sue S.
Betty Ann, sister of Mike B.	Selene, lifted by
Ellie Y.	Carole A.
Joe Y.	Judy, lifted by Brenda F.
Mary Lou, lifted by Jean S.	Donna, sister of Carol N.
Miriam & Patty, lifted by Janis J.	Israel, Sarah J.'s student
Mary & Monica, lifted by Sue W.	Bev, lifted by
David, lifted by Judy K.	Josh O.
Carol W.	Steve, lifted by
Josh W.	Mary Ellen M.
Sally S.	Darlene, friend of
Mary Lou L.	Barb A.
Judy K.	Matthew F., USAF
Ron W.	Lt. Col. Bill G., USMC
Barbara B.	Christopher Y., USAF
Susan W.	

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

July 12	Frank O'Dell	July 14	Rae Spalding
July 12	Jeff Riddlebaugh		
July 13	JoAnn & Larry Krejci	July 16	Leslie & Neil Dilley

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July 11, 2021 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Passing of the Peace Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude *Prelude and Fughetta* George F. Handel

***Call to Worship** Janis Jarvis

L: Open wide the doorways of our sanctuary!

P: May the king of glory come into our midst.

L: Who is this king of glory?

P: This king of glory is our Savior Jesus Christ.

L: Open the doors of our hearts to receive Jesus Christ.

P: May our spirits and our hearts receive his blessing now and forever. Amen.

***Old Testament Reading** Psalm 24

***Unison Prayer**

Creator God, in praise and adoration our spirits dance before you today. You have created this wondrous universe and all the

magnificent things within it. You have blessed us with so much throughout our lives, even to this day of praise and thanksgiving. Let our spirits soar! Let our hearts sound boldly of your wondrous love. We celebrate your love and presence with us, and it is in the name of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, that we offer this prayer. Amen.

Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* (vv. 1-2, 4) UMH 577

Prayers of the People

Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Responsive Prayer of Confession

In the midst of our "summer" lives, O Lord, so many things have claimed our attention. We worked hard this year to earn a little rest and recreation, to break away from the stresses of our everyday living. But in the midst of all this change, we have too often pushed our worship of you aside. We have focused so much on our needs for physical change and peace that we have neglected our spiritual hungers and thirst. Forgive us when we are tempted to stray from our worship of you and focus entirely on ourselves and our own needs. As we celebrate this day, help us to remember all the wondrous things you continue to do for us. Let us look at the world as a place of delight. And when we encounter situations in which sorrow and hurt abound, help us to be ready to bring hope and peace. Be with us in these warm days of summer, preparing us for ministry and mission, in your holy name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

God is merciful and pours God's love on us abundantly. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Hallelujah! Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Offering and Prayer

Special Music *My Jesus, I Love Thee* Featherstone/Gordon
Vocalist: Terri Wilhelm

New Testament Reading Ephesians 1:3-14

Hymn *Amazing Grace* (vv. 1-2, 4, 6) UMH 378

Sermon "Blessed with Hope and Promise"

Hymn *Rejoice in God's Saints* (vv. 1, 3-4) UMH 708

Benediction

L: God's love for you is real and alive in your hearts today.

P: **Go in peace, knowing that the Lord of Love and Life is with you.**

L: Bring God's peace to all you meet, this day and all your days.

P: **Amen.**

Postlude *Fugue* D. Buxtehude

You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude.

*The flowers on the altar are given in celebration of
Ray & Jane Burnett's wedding anniversary.*

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor:	Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm	Liturgist:	Janis Jarvis
Organist:	Marlene Dirksen	Usher:	Beth Cruz
Vocalist:	Rae Spalding	Greeters:	Jean & Sydney Scothon
Vocalist:	Gabriela Martinez	Greeter:	Greg Lavelle
Pianist:	Javier Gonzalez	Video:	John & Michelle Wolter
Video:	Phil Wolter		