

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

July 18	Gabriela Martinez	July 23	Amber Faught
July 20	Wilbur Stacho	July 24	Kelly Benko
July 22	Mary Lou Fitzgerald		

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July 18, 2021 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude Lord Jesus, You Have Prepared Mansfield

***Call to Worship** Ed Brewster

L: Welcome to worship this morning.

P: Even though it is summertime, our lives are crowded and rushed.

L: Come into this time of peace and quiet.

P: We need to rest in God's word.

L: God's love is with you. God will give you rest and refresh your souls.

P: Thanks be to God for this "break-away" time. Amen.

***Old Testament Reading** Psalm 23 (KJV)

***Unison Prayer**

Lord, we gather here this morning with lives that are filled with activity and movement. We rush from one thing to another as though we are going to run out of time to accomplish everything. Help us to let go of the hectic times and the stresses and find our rest in you. Relax our spirits and refresh our souls. Remind us that there will always be things to do and places to go, but that we need the rest of spirit that you provide. Amen.

Hymn *Hope of the World* (vv. 1-2, 4) UMH 178

Prayers of the People

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Pastoral Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Patient God, we wait all year for the summer months when we can rest and relax. Our schedules change from the demands of weekly living, to times which are supposed to be devoted to leisure. But we have redefined leisure to mean a flurry of activities. We need some time to rest, to sit quietly and listen to the beautiful sounds of the world. Forgive us when we are determined to crowd every moment of our lives with activity. Help us to find a quiet center with you where we can just relax and not try to get everything done as though life was some sort of a contest. Give us peace for a little while. Refresh our souls so that we can truly serve you, not out of exhaustion but out of enthusiasm. Be with us this day, for we ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

God's love awaits you. It has been lavished upon you as a gentle summer rain, refreshing your souls, opening your hearts, healing your wounds. Rest in God's eternal love.

The Lord's Prayer

Penny Sunday

Today's offering will go to purchase backpacks and school supplies.

The Offering and Prayer

Special Music *Bourrée* Bach
Violinist: Rev. Don Kraps

Gospel Reading Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Hymn *Come and Find the Quiet Center* TFWS 2128

Sermon "Rest..." Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

Hymn *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* UMH 381

Benediction

Postlude *Creation's Praise* Dennis Eliot
You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude.

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor:	Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm	Liturgist:	Ed Brewster
Organist:	Marlene Dirksen	Ushers:	Barb & Ron Clough
Vocalist:	Rae Spalding	Greeter:	Guylene Harold
Vocalist:	Gabriela Martinez	Greeter:	Sarah Jackson
Vocalist:	Deb Chermonte	Video:	Phil Wolter
Pianist:	Javier Gonzalez	Video:	John & Michelle Wolter