

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.
Joe Y.	Mary, lifted by Sue S.
Betty Ann, sister of Mike B.	Selene, lifted by
Ellie Y.	Carole A.
Josh O.	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 4	Donald Jackson	July 8	Tammy Moore
July 5	Neil Dilley	July 8	Paul Taller
July 10	Jane & Ray Burnett		

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July 4, 2021 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost/Independence Day

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!
P: **And also with you!**

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude *Prayer for Penitence* arr. L. Smith

***Call to Worship** Joel Chermonte

L: Come! Listen to the word of the Lord!
P: **Help us to receive God's word and direction for our lives.**
L: Proclaim the goodness of God's love!
P: **Let our words and actions be filled with love.**
L: Come, now is the time to worship.
P: **Open our eyes, our hearts, and our spirits this day, Lord.**

***Old Testament Reading** Psalm 48

***Unison Prayer**

Lord of mystery and community, you have called us here this day to remind us of the mission journey you set before us. Help us to pay attention to the words of Jesus as he sent out his disciples on a mission of healing and compassion. Remind us that success is not measured in the cures, but in the striving. Enable us to truly be your disciples in this world. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

Hymn *This Is My Song* UMH 437

Prayers of the People

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Pastoral Prayer

Responsive Prayer of Confession

Puzzling God, we will hear in the Gospel Message that Jesus was questioned and rejected by his own hometown, friends, and relatives, and we may wonder how he was able to continue in ministry with such a lack of support. We want to enter our endeavors with full support and acclamation. We are afraid to begin a task if even our families, friends, and hometown folk belittle it and also us. So rather than face degradation, we back down. Forgive our lack of faith and vision. Empower us to be in service to you, even when we do not feel the support of our family. Let us trust in your power and presence with us. Heal us. Guide our lives and our journeys all our days. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Do not be afraid of the derision of others. Place your trust in God's call and guidance. Know that the Lord is with you always, even to the ends of the earth. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Offering and Prayer

Gospel Reading Mark 6:1-13

Hymn *Guide My Feet* (vv. 1-3, 5-6) TFWS 2208

Sermon "The Purpose of Life" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

Holy Communion

Hymn *Christ for the World We Sing* (vv. 1-3) UMH 568

Responsive Benediction

L: Go in confidence. Know that God goes with you to give you words of hope, comfort, and peace.

P: **May God's love flow through you to all those whom you meet.**

All: **Amen.**

Postlude *March* Mozart

You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude.

The flowers on the altar are given by Sara Coast in memory of Roger in honor of their wedding anniversary on July 3.

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor:	Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm	Liturgist:	Joel Chermonte
Organist:	Marlene Dirksen	Usher:	Sarah Jackson
Vocalist:	Rae Spalding	Greeters:	Claudia & Paul Taller
Vocalist:	Gabriela Martinez	Greeter:	Greg Lavelle
Pianist:	Javier Gonzalez	Video:	John & Michelle Wolter
Video:	Phil Wolter		