



A watercolor landscape painting of a mountain valley. In the foreground, there are dark, dense bushes and trees. The middle ground shows a valley with a small, light-colored building or structure on a hill. The background features rolling mountains under a sky with soft, blended colors of green, yellow, and pink. The overall style is soft and atmospheric.

Why Are You Sleeping?

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Order of Worship Sunday, August 30, 2026

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Prepare for worship in quiet reverence

We Prepare Our Hearts and Minds

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and God's glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. *(Isaiah 60:1-3)*

Welcome and Announcements

Karen Eberle

Prelude

Call to Worship *(adapted from Psalm 121:1-4)*

Jan Owens

One: We are looking for God's help.

ALL: We look to the hills, waiting to see God.

One: God provides all of what we need.

ALL: God steadies us and strengthens us.

One: God who made the heaven and earth will never sleep.

ALL: God will not rest until we are safe.

One: So we come to worship the God who helps us.

ALL: And we praise God for God's tireless love.

Choral Introit "Come Sound His Praise Abroad"

***Hymn: "Arise Your Light Is Come"**

#411 in Blue Hymnal

Calendar

Saturday, September 12th

- ♦ Church rummage sale. 7:00am –1:00 pm *(set up at 6:00 am)*
The shed will be open for donations Sunday, August 23rd—Sunday, September 6th.



Pastor Jon's Info

Email: pastorjonberquist@gmail.com

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Pastor's office hours:

Tues., Wed., & Thurs. 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Current Prayer Concerns

Dee Lebo— Liver cancer

Donna Greenwood

Prayers and Thanksgiving for her sister Bonnie

Dawn Butler

We will keep each prayer request printed here for four weeks. If there is a continuing need or a change of situation, please notify the church office.

Chancel vases available for dedications

2 vases September 6th, 13th, & 20th

1 vase September 27th

Flowers Dedication

A basket of flowers is in memory of loved ones living in Heaven.

Buzzy and Lisa Bayles

Fellowship Host:

August 30 Marci Russell

September 6 Mabel Rogers

We invite you to bring additional food to share

The new church directory is still in progress, with an August edition available. There's a sample in the back of the sanctuary, as well as a form for corrections. Please take a moment to check and leave your corrected information, or send the information to the church office. We'll have a revised version in September. Thanks!

***Passing the Peace**

Please turn to your neighbor and pass the peace of Christ.

Call to Confession *(based on Isaiah 41)*

Our God has been with us since the beginning. All of the earth has seen God's bounty. But too often we fear that God's love is not for all or not forever. We doubt God's power, so we look for assurance elsewhere. For these and all our shortcomings, we confess our sin before God.

Prayer of Confession *(unison)*

Our God, we confess that you give us everlasting salvation, along with all of the earth and all of your people. But still we doubt. We wonder if you love us enough, so we doubt. We are confused about how to respond to your grace, so we follow other worldly powers. We are impressed with the visible things of the world, instead of trusting what you have providing from the foundations of the earth. For all this and more, we ask for your forgiveness.

A time for silent meditation

Assurance of Pardon *(based on Numbers 6:23-26)*

The Lord will bless you and keep you. God will bring light to shine upon you, even in the midst of darkness. Jesus shows compassion to all, including you. The Spirit will give you peace, as a gift of God's grace. Friends, filled with the Holy Spirit, hear and believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Hallelujah! Amen.

***Gloria Patri** *(unison)* #579 in Blue Hymnal

*The words are available
on the laminated sheets in each pew.*

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*** Doxology** *(unison)* #592 in Blue Hymnal

Prayer of Dedication

Choral Anthem "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Prayer for Illumination *(unison)*

O God, may our ears be open to your truth.
May these words lead us to follow you. May
we learn of your everlasting life, and become
courageous enough to live to our fullest in
the midst of your teaching. Amen.

1st Scripture reading: Matthew 26:36-41

*Marty Cropper
page #985 in pew Bible*

2nd Scripture reading: Acts 20:7-12

*Pastor Jon Berquist
page # 1101 in pew Bible*

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Time with Children & Youth *Pastor Jon Berquist*

Sermon: *Pastor Jon Berquist*

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***Hymn: "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"**
#422 in Blue Hymnal

***Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles Creed** *(unison)*

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 on 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.

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn:** "Abide With Me"
v. 1, 2, 3 #543 in Blue Hymnal

Charge

Benediction

Response "Three-Fold Amen"

Postlude

*** Please rise in body or in spirit.**

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