2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025

Welcome! We are glad you came to worship with us today! It is our prayer that you will be richly blessed as we worship.

†Denotes please stand as you are able in praise to God.

#### **Pastoral Greeting:**

†Opening Hymn: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" UMH #361

#### **Call to Worship:**

L: Break down the barriers that divide us, O Lord.

P: Tear down the walls of hostility and fear.

L: Melt the barbed wire of anger and hatred.

P: Breathe new life into your people, O God.

L: For we are called to newness in Christ Jesus.

P: We are all brothers and sisters through God's love.

L: Come, let us worship the God who removes obstacles from our paths.

P: Let us praise God who seeks to unite us in peace. AMEN.

#### **Call to Prayer of Confession:**

L: By faith in Jesus Christ, we are given access to the grace of God. Standing in that grace, we now confess our sins before God, seeking forgiveness and peace.

All: Life is sometimes like a giant spider web. We seem to get caught and entangled in its threads, not knowing which way to turn or how to extricate our selves from the dilemmas in which we are trapped. Lord, you know that so many of these dilemmas and burdens are of our own creation, coming out of our stubbornness and fear. We find it much easier to turn our back on people in need, or just write a check and hope that the problems go away. Forgive us when we decide not to become involved in the solution, when we would rather back off from helping and turn and run for cover. Give us an extra measure of courage and strength along with your forgiving love, that we may again place our whole trust in you. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

#### **Words of Assurance:**

†Affirmation of Faith: "The Apostles Creed" UMH #881

†Gloria Patri: UMH #70

#### **Passing the Peace of Christ:**

#### **Prayer for Illumination:**

All: Holy, Holy One, your words feed us, the Word frees us, and the Spirit gives us life. Grant our ears an appetite for hearing and our spirits strength for loving you. Amen.

O.T. Scripture: (Psalter) Psalm 42 UMH #777

†N.T. Scripture: Galatians 3:23-29 Pew Bible Pg. 825

**Hymn of Preparation:** "As the Deer" TFWS #2025

Message: Jay W Brown

#### **Special Music:**

<u>Pastoral Prayer and Concerns:</u> – (see bulletin insert)

#### Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts:

\*The Doxology: "Praise God...... UMH #95

†Closing Hymn: "More Like You" TFWS #2167

**Benediction:** 

**Sending Forth:** "Make Me A Servant" TFWS #2176



# **Church Annoucements!!!!**

## **Weekly Church Services:**

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m. Weekly Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

## **Church Staff:**

**Ministers: All Members of the Congregation** 

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**Trustees Chairperson: Robert White** 

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There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female,

for all of you are one in Christ Jesus

Galatians 3.29