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*\*Please Stand*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### WELCOME & THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

Miguel Gonzales

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Pam Round

Living Rock of Abundant Life, the poor cried out;  
you heard, and saved them from all their troubles.

**To those who have nothing, your promise is this:  
whatever is needed will be given.**

Your eyes are on those who do justice, and your ears are open to their voice.

**To those who yearn for peace, your promise is this:  
whatever is needed will be given.**

Your arms enfold the brokenhearted, and rescue those whose spirits are crushed.

**To those who fear the future, your promise is this:  
whatever is needed will be given.**

**O taste and see how good God is!**

**Happy are those who take refuge in the Living Rock.**

### \*HYMN

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

No. 353

My hope is built on nothing less  
than Jesus' blood  
and righteousness;  
I dare not trust  
the sweetest frame,  
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems  
to hide his face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in every high and stormy gale,  
my anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood  
support me in the whelming flood;  
when all around my soul gives way,  
he then is all my hope and stay.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come  
with trumpet sound,  
O may I then in him be found,  
dressed in his righteousness alone,  
faultless to stand  
before the throne.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
all other ground is sinking sand;  
all other ground is sinking sand.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Jesus Christ, Son of David, have mercy upon us!**

So many days, we are like the blind beggar in Mark's gospel,  
sitting on the side of the road hoping to hear the sounds of your coming.

We are like the Canaanite woman begging for the crumbs  
that fall from your table. We are like the woman who was sick for so many years  
who reached out to touch the hem of your garment.

**Jesus Christ, Son of David, have mercy upon us!**

Have mercy upon us when we cannot see how we will make it,

Have mercy upon us when we are sick and cannot get well,

Have mercy upon us when life hardens our hearts

and makes it difficult for us to love, to heal or to forgive,

Have mercy upon us when persecution comes and when we are misunderstood.

**Jesus Christ, Son of David, we come this morning**

**asking for strength to get to the other side, and grace to represent you well.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We come, confident that your promise to be with us always is true,  
confident that you are greater than the trials we face,  
confident that we are secure in the palm of your hands.

We come to you today, like blind Bartimaeus who sat on the side of the road to Jericho,  
knowing that you love us and have not forgotten our needs.

**Jesus Christ, Son of David, have mercy upon us,**

**And grant us your peace. Amen.**

## \*SONG OF PRAISE

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

*"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"*

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## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Compassionate God, all creation delights in your radiant presence of your Word. May the  
authority of your Spirit bring understanding into our confused minds and truth into our  
troubled hearts, that we may praise and serve Jesus Christ our Lord. Teach us how to  
dance to the rhythm of your wisdom; show us how to laugh with the insights of your  
truth, so that we can live for the praise of your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

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**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**

\*HYMN

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

No. 753

Make me a channel  
of your peace.

Where there is hatred,  
let me bring your love.

Where there is injury,  
your pardon, Lord,  
and where there's doubt,  
true faith in you.

Make me a channel  
of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life,  
let me bring hope.

Where there is darkness,  
only light,  
and where there's sadness,  
ever joy.

O, Master, grant that I may  
never seek  
so much to be consoled  
as to console,

To be understood  
as to understand,  
to be loved as to love  
with all my soul.

Make me a channel  
of your peace.  
It is in pardoning  
that we are pardoned,

In giving of ourselves  
that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born  
to eternal life.

Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch  
and sound in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you  
but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.

In your company I'll go where your love and  
footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.

## TITHES & OFFERING

For online offerings, please scan the QR Code at the bottom of this page. For all offerings sent in the mail, dropped in the offering plate as you come in or leave, or made online, thank you!

### \*HYMN

#### *Doxology*

No. 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above,  
ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son,  
and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Doxology)*

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### LORD'S PRAYER

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**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### \*HYMN

#### *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

No. 418

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,  
calling for you and for me.  
See, on the portals  
he's waiting and watching,  
watching for you and for me.

"Come home, come home!  
You who are weary, come home."  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,  
calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Why should we tarry  
when Jesus is pleading,  
pleading for you and for me?  
Why should we linger  
and heed not his mercies,  
mercies for you and for me?

"Come home, come home!  
You who are weary, come home."  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,  
calling, "O sinner, come home!"

O for the wonderful love  
he has promised,  
promised for you and for me!  
Though we have sinned,  
he has mercy and pardon,  
pardon for you and for me.

"Come home, come home!  
You who are weary, come home."  
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,  
calling, "O sinner, come home!"

*"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"*

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### \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

### \*PEACE OF CHRIST



## WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching - Elder Bill Rose  
Liturgist – Elder Pam Round  
Pianist—Patricia Provencio  
Choir Director—Brittney Williams  
Technology - Bob Jones, JT Thomas,  
Diane Thomas & Jim Collins

## OCTOBER 25-31

### Events + Celebrations

25	26	27
BIRTHDAY Bob Good	BIRTHDAYS Sophia Adams William Fenstermacher	Zoom Bible Study, 2:00PM
28	29	31
BIRTHDAY Alexis Griffin	BIRTHDAY Bonnie Pyke	Sunday Worship, 10:00AM Noisy Offering Fellowship Hour, 11:00AM BIRTHDAY - Emmalee Burr

## Prayers + Concerns

Bob Hedicke

Bonnie Pyke

Nancy Pries

Henry Diaz

*Need to add or remove someone from the Prayers/Concerns list?  
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continually being transformed by God's love and forgiveness.  
We are building a vibrant, welcoming community that expresses that love in word  
and in action. Together we will nurture, be nurtured, and bring help and hope to the  
world.*

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