

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
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+ *WELCOME - AS WE GATHER* +
+ *PREPARATION* +

593 See This Wonder in the Making



1 See this won - der	in the mak - ing: God Him -
2 Mir - a - cle each	time it hap - pens As the
3 Far more ten - der	than a moth - er, Far more
4 Here we bring a	child of na - ture; Home we



self this child is tak - ing	As a lamb safe in His
door to heav-en o - pens	And the Fa - ther beams, "Be -
car - ing than a fa - ther,	God, in - to Your arms we
take a new-born crea - ture,	Now God's pre - cious son or



keep - ing,	His to be, a - wake or sleep - ing.
lov - ed,	Heir of gifts a king would cov - et!"
place <i>him/her/them</i> ,	With Your love and peace em - brace <i>him/her/them</i> .
daugh - ter,	Born a - gain by Word and wa - ter.

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Baptism of Tully Wren Wendling

See bulletin insert

Hymn - Congregational choice

Confession and Absolution

Stand The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His Mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 37:5–7; antiphon: v. 4

Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

**Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.**

He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;

fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- ginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 15:15–21

¹⁵O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance take me not away;
know that for your sake I bear reproach.

¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart,

for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.

¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers,
nor did I rejoice;

I sat alone, because your hand was upon me,
for you had filled me with indignation.

¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?

Will you be to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail?

¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD:

“If you return, I will restore you,
and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall be as my mouth.

²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

C Thanks be to God.

Romans 12:9–21

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” ²⁰To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ-ten that you may be-lieve that



Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn - Congregational choice

Sermon - Take Up Your Cross

Offering

Stand

Benedicamus

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A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

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Hymn - Congregational choice

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RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

Attendance Last Sunday: 60

Offering Last Sunday: \$4167.00 (Needed weekly = \$3193)

Building Fund: \$500

IN OUR PRAYERS

HEALING AND CARE: for those suffering from cancer: Jenny Peimann, Dan Henderson, Sheri Bravenec, Frank Wagner, Barbara Feltner, Tom Arb, Kathy Bigham

CONTINUED HEALING: Christopher Smith, Gabriella Schultz, Michael Nally, Charlie Timberlane, Logan Brady, Jean Curtis, Carl Sluder, Raymond Zorn, Lyn Wren, David Wagner, Cecil McMullen, Mark Feltner, Diane Schulze, Pete Scheid,

Glenn Templeton, Harley Browning, Ruby Zorn, Lavon Haney, Pastor Jim Kirschenmann, Pam Templeton, JoEllen Haufler, Bill McDonald, Diane Harries, Don Bauck, Kevin Lewis (Debbie Bauck brother-in-law)

SHUT-INS: Don Becker, Virginia Elmore, Jim & Pat Croucher

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who worship with us this morning, especially our guests. You are invited to coffee and snacks following the service then Bible Study and Sunday School at 10:30.

The Daughters of Zion is putting together school supply packs and teacher packs for Orphan Grain Train. We would welcome monetary donations for the supplies and shipping cost. Please give your donations to Marcia Henderson or Karen Persinger. Thank you for your consideration.

Pastor Tegtmeier will be in the office on Tuesday Mornings or he can be reached at 620-343-4371.

If you have any printed picture(s) from VBS and would like to give them to be part of the church photo album, please put them in Arlene Williams church mailbox. Thank you!

SERVANTS IN THE LORD'S HOUSE

	Next Sunday 8/30	Next Sunday 9/6
<i>Greeters</i>	Diane	Loren & Liz
<i>Organist</i>	Tanya Fraker	Lacey Dean
<i>Acolyte</i>	Liz Eissler	Evan Dean
<i>Ushers</i>	Marvin Zorn © Clint Sturdy © Reed Silver, Loren Eissler	Loren Eissler ©, Shane Anschutz ©, Marvin Zorn, Lynn Silver
<i>Elder</i>	Braeden, Greg, Clint	Clint Sturdy
<i>Lay Assistant</i>		Dwight Becker *, Casey Monthey

* Serves the wine and Pastor

© Center aisle, hands out bulletins