

Ordinary Time: Eighth Sunday After Pentecost - August 3, 2025

If you are worshipping with us for the first time today, **we welcome you in Christ's name**. We invite you to stand, if you are able, where there is a "†" (cross) in the program and to join in speaking with the congregation any parts that are in **bold** type. Our Communion, normally held the first Sunday of every month, is open to all.

Today's Musician: Michelle Humber

Ring of the Bell

Welcome

Prelude: "Kyrie" Mr. Mister

Reflection: *God, we are grateful for all of our many rich blessings. Open our ears, our minds and our hearts in this worship hour, that we might better know you, better love our neighbors, and more humbly walk Your path.*

AMEN.

† Responsive Call to Worship

One: God, call us today—

All: Call us into Your ways of love, joy and righteousness.

One: In your mercy, teach us how to follow You—

All: Teach us Your ways of love, joy and righteousness.

One: God of all creation, help us to know Your ways better—

All: That we might better reflect Your image in the world.

† Opening Hymn "I Love to Tell the Story" NCH #522

† Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

Today's Scriptures

Old Testament ~ *Jeremiah 9:23-26*

Our Response ~ *Psalms 25* NCH pg. 635

New Testament ~ *Luke 18:9-14*

Unison Confession: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth, but often we fall short of the love that God has for us, and that God expects from us in return. Let us confess our shortcomings and limits of our trust.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness: God's love for us is enduring & available in a deep way right now. The good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that brings us new life & transformation is arriving even as we speak & worship!

Responsive Prayers for the World by the People

Response: "Holy One, hear our prayer."

The Prayer of Our Savior

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, & forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom & the power & the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn of Preparation "Blessed Assurance" NCH #473

Sermon "The Big Red Button" Pastor Jono

Music for Meditation "Wayfaring Stranger"

One: And so we come to this table to remember and to share a holy meal. And we declare the mystery of our faith:

**Many: Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.**

Words of Institution and Blessing of the Elements

Invitation & Sharing of the Elements

Unison Prayer after the Meal

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by feeding us with your Word and by quenching our thirst with your Spirit. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

Sharing of Announcements, Prayer Updates, Joys and Concerns

-The Annual Sunday Service at Fremont Lake will be August 17 at 10AM. See you there!

-Interested in helping out with Children's Education this school year? There are 2 groups: K-6 and 7-12. If you're interested, let Katie Bangrover, Karly Majhanovich, or Pastor Jono know!

-SUMMER Sign-Ups! If you want to read, play music, help with littles, or join a hospitality group until then, please sign up in the hall or down below!

-If you want to sign up for our Weekly Newsletter, visit our website pinedalecommunityucc.org and sign-up at the bottom of any page!

† Closing Hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" NCH #506

† Benediction

† Recessional "He Lives"

As the storm raged, the captain realized his ship was sinking fast. He called out, "Anyone here know how to pray?"

One man stepped forward. "Aye, Captain, I know how to pray."

"Good," said the captain, "you pray while the rest of us put on our life jackets - we're one short."



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so let your words be few."

Ecclesiastes 5:2