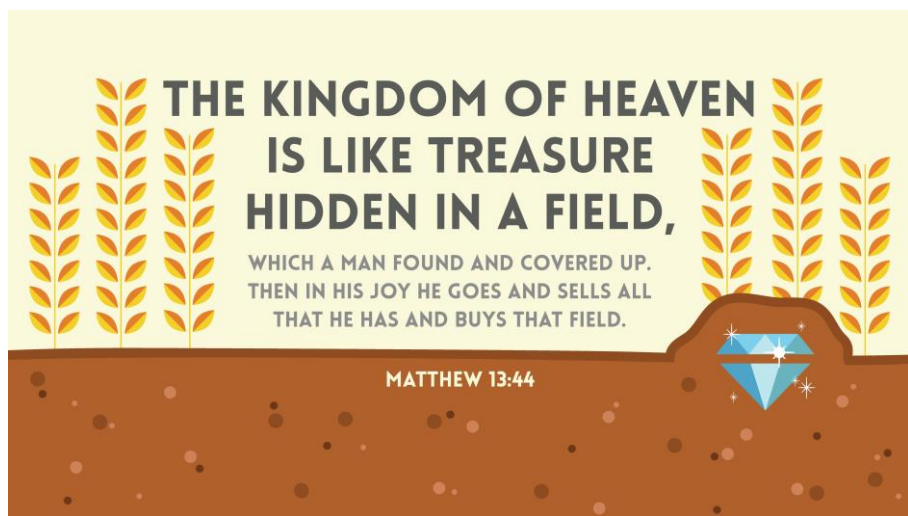




Sunday, July 19, 2026

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

Service Theme

CHRISTIANS SEEK SPIRITUAL WEALTH

What do you consider your life's top priorities? Many people start with family and friends. Financial security and health follow closely. Reputation and recreation make the cut. How about faith? Is it the top priority? What if other priorities must be sacrificed to keep faith the top priority? The Bible helps Christians keep worldly wealth in perspective. It can buy the things of this world, things that rust and decay, but there is something more valuable. True wealth is spiritual wealth. It can be found only in God and his eternal blessings for us in Christ.



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770 God of Grace and God of Glory

CW 770



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient Church's sto - ry,
sail his ways. From the fears that long have bound us
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age for the fac - ing of this
grant us cour - age for the liv - ing of these
grant us cour - age lest we miss your king - dom's
grant us cour - age, serv - ing you whom we a -



hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
days, for the liv - ing of these days.
goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

The Service

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Invocation

CW 154

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

Amen.

Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

**I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts,
words, and actions.**

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

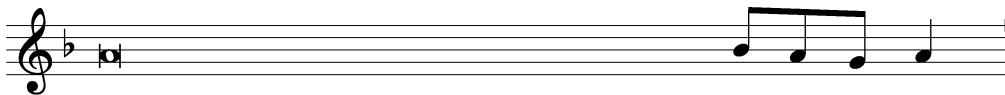
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



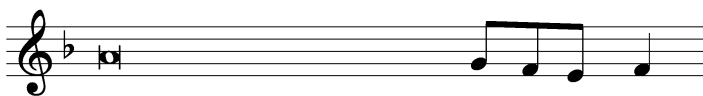
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



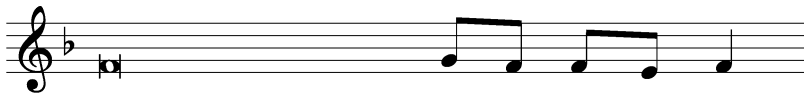
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

Glory Be to God on High

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Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



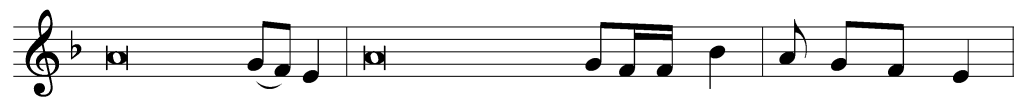
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



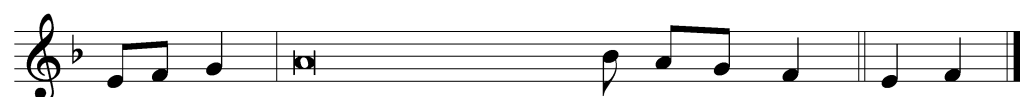
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, you reveal your mighty power chiefly in showing mercy and kindness. Grant us the full measure of your grace that we may obtain your promises and become partakers of your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5–12

When the Lord offered Solomon anything he wanted, Solomon chose spiritual wealth.

⁵The LORD appeared to Solomon in Gibeon in a dream at night.

God said, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you.”

⁶Solomon said, “You have shown great mercy and faithfulness to your servant, my father David, just as he walked before you in truth, righteousness, and uprightness of heart toward you. You have shown this great mercy and faithfulness to him and have given him a son who is seated on his throne to this very day. ⁷O LORD my God, now you have made your servant king in the place of my father David, but I am a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And I, your servant, am among your people whom you have chosen, a great people, who cannot be counted or numbered because they are so many. ⁹Now give to your servant a perceptive heart to judge your people, to distinguish between good and evil, for who is able to judge this great people of yours?”

¹⁰In the eyes of the LORD, Solomon's request was good. ¹¹So God said to him, “Because you have asked for this, and you have not asked for a long life, nor have you asked for riches, nor have you asked for the lives of your enemies, but you have asked for discernment to reach just verdicts, ¹²therefore I will act according to your words. Yes, I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you before you, nor will anyone like you rise up after you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

63A In the Morning I Will Sing

Psalm 63A

Refrain

In the morn-ing I will sing, I will
sing glad songs to you, I will sing glad songs of praise to
you. I will sing glad songs of praise to you.

Verse

1 O God, you are my God; for you I long; for
you my soul is thirst - ing. My bod-y pines for you like a
dry, wea-ry land with-out wa-ter. So I gaze on you in the
sanc-tu - ar - y to see your strength and your glo-ry.

Verse

2 For your love is bet-ter than life, my lips will speak your
praise. So I will bless you all my life, in your
name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a
ban-quet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.

Verse

3 On my bed I re-mem-ber you. On you I
muse through the night, for you have been my help; in the
shad-ow of your wings I re-joice. My soul clings to
you; your right hand holds me fast.

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:17–21

Paul warns against arrogance and false hope, sins that commonly go with worldly wealth.

¹⁷Instruct those who are rich in this present age not to be arrogant or to put their hope in the uncertainty of riches, but rather in God, who richly supplies us with all things for our enjoyment. ¹⁸Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and willing to share. ¹⁹In this way they are storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

²⁰O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you, turning away from godless, empty talk and the contradictions of what is falsely called “knowledge.” ²¹By professing it, some have veered away from the faith. Grace be with you. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Colossians 3:1,2

Alleluia, alleluia.

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ,
set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.
Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 13:44–52

A series of parables about the value of spiritual wealth.

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid again. In his joy, he goes away and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking fine pearls. ⁴⁶When he found one very valuable pearl, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered fish of every kind.

⁴⁸When the net was filled, they pulled it onto the shore. They sat down and gathered the good fish into containers, but threw the bad ones away. ⁴⁹That is how it will be at the end of the world. The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous who are among them. ⁵⁰And they will throw the wicked into the fiery furnace where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” ⁵¹Jesus said to them, “Did you understand all these things?”

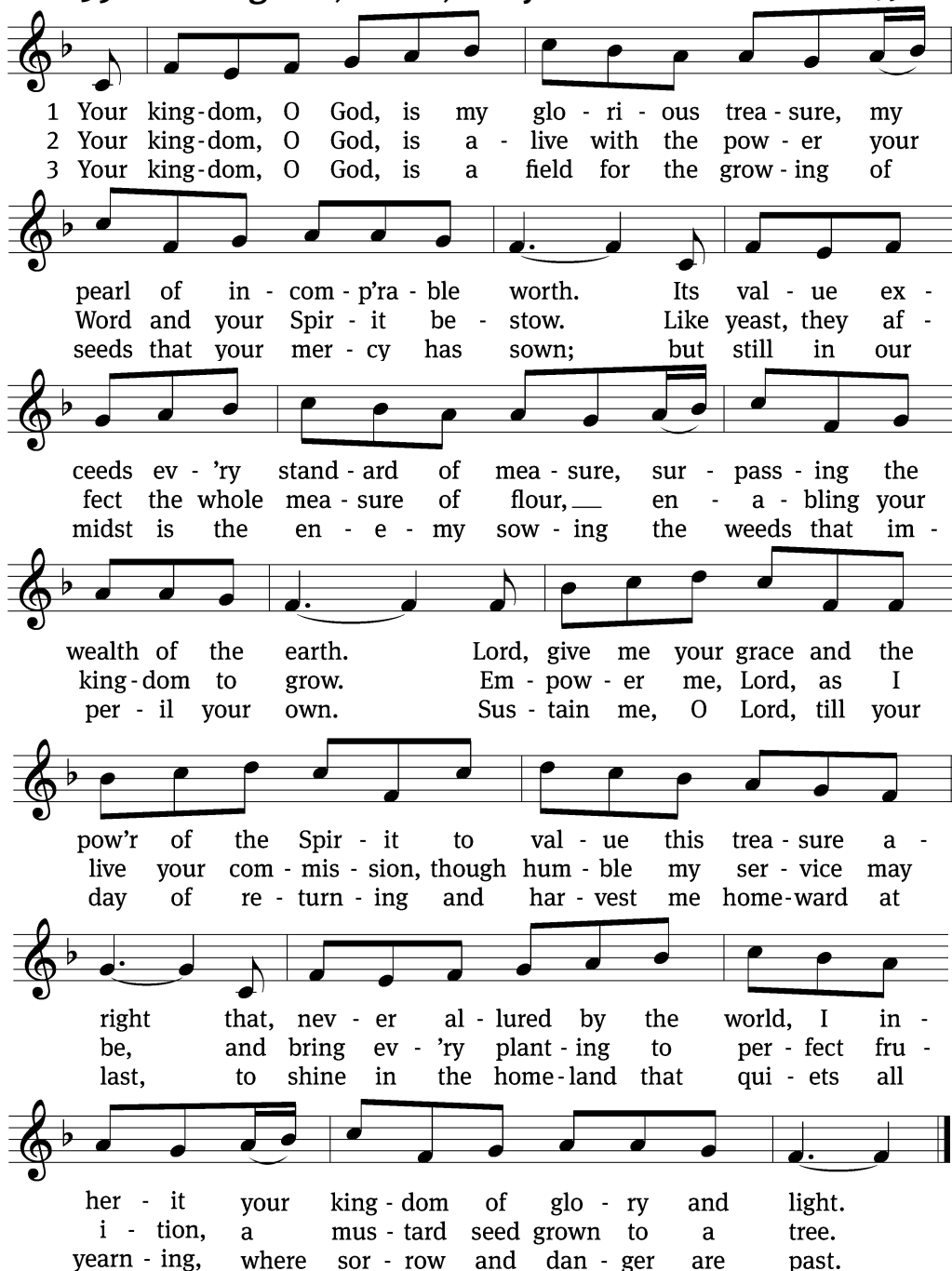
They answered him, “Yes.”

⁵²He said to them, “Therefore every expert in the law who has been trained as a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his treasure both new things and old things.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

859 Your Kingdom, O God, Is My Glorious Treasure CW 859



1 Your king-dom, O God, is my glo - ri - ous trea - sure, my
 2 Your king-dom, O God, is a - live with the pow - er your
 3 Your king-dom, O God, is a field for the grow - ing of

pearl of in - com - p'ra - ble worth. Its val - ue ex -
 Word and your Spir - it be - stow. Like yeast, they af -
 seeds that your mer - cy has sown; but still in our

ceeds ev - 'ry stand - ard of mea - sure, sur - pass - ing the
 fect the whole mea - sure of flour, — en - a - bling your
 midst is the en - e - my sow - ing the weeds that im -

wealth of the earth. Lord, give me your grace and the
 king-dom to grow. Em - pow - er me, Lord, as I
 per - il your own. Sus - tain me, O Lord, till your

pow'r of the Spir - it to val - ue this trea - sure a -
 live your com - mis - sion, though hum - ble my ser - vice may
 day of re - turn - ing and har - vest me home-ward at

right that, nev - er al - lured by the world, I in -
 be, and bring ev - 'ry plant - ing to per - fect fru -
 last, to shine in the home-land that qui - ets all

her - it your king - dom of glo - ry and light.
 i - tion, a mus - tard seed grown to a tree.
 yearn - ing, where sor - row and dan - ger are past.

The Kingdom of Heaven...

- 1) Is a hidden treasure.
- 2) Is the end of your search.
- 3) Catches all kinds, but only keeps the righteous by faith.
- 4) Offers old and new blessings to address your needs.

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of
God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from
God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from
heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
Virgin Mary, and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with
the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right
hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through
the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially...*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially...*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Offertory Prayer

The Sacrament

Preface

CW 165



The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -
san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,
bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

The musical score is written on five staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span multiple notes. The final phrase 'A - men.' is written below the last staff, with a long horizontal line under the 'A' and a dash under the 'men.'.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

Distribution

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

753 My Worth Is Not in What I Own

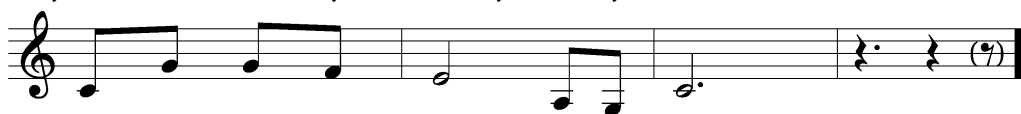
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1 My worth is not in what I own, not
2 My worth is not in skill or name, in
3 As sum - mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame,



in the strength of flesh and bone, but in the
win or lose, in pride or shame, but in the
youth, and beau - ty hur - ry by. But life e -



cost - ly wounds of love at the cross.
blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.
ter - nal calls to us at the cross.

v. 2
Refrain
v. 4

Refrain



I re-joyce in my Re - deem - er— great - est trea - sure,



well-spring of my soul. I will trust in him, no oth - er; my



soul is sat - is - fied in him a - lone.

4 I will not boast in wealth or might,
or human wisdom's fleeting light.
But I will boast in knowing Christ
at the cross. (Refrain)

5 Two wonders here that I confess:
my worth and my unworthiness.
My value fixed—my ransom paid
at the cross. (Refrain)

Announcements

Church Cleaners

July 26 – Thomas / August 2 – Simon

Church Picnic and Corn Boil

Mark your calendars! The annual church picnic and corn boil is August 9th after the service. This year we have the added treat of ice cream catered by AY Ice Cream (12–2). There will also be fun games and great fellowship. This is a wonderful opportunity to practice ‘friendship evangelism’. Invite your friends for worship at 9:30 and then the picnic. Hope to see everyone there!

Flower Donations to Beautify the Altar

Congregational members are encouraged to donate cut fresh flowers and/or potted flowering plants to beautify the altar for special occasions such as: anniversaries, birthdays, weddings, birth of a child, in memory of a loved one, etc. Please notify your intention to donate and the date to Judy Bellefeuille (judy.bellefeuille@gmail.com).

DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

Su (19) 9:30 am Worship (with Communion)
10:45 am Brief Bible Study
11:30 am Evangelism Meeting
3:00 pm Worship in Poltimore
4:00 pm Youth Confirmation in Poltimore

Pastor will be away from July 20 - 29

Su (26) 9:30 am Lay led Worship
10:45 am Brief Bible Study

Sa (1) 10:00 am Bible Information Class

Su (2) 9:30 am Worship (with Communion)
10:45 am Brief Bible Study
3:00 pm Worship in Poltimore
4:00 pm Youth Confirmation in Poltimore

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Setting One from Christian Worship

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