

## GATHERING FOR THE WORD

\* Please stand if able

Plain text = Leader

**Bold text = People**

### Prelude

“Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us” Organist, Julie Pulliam  
Organ/Piano duet, Betty Niquette, piano William B. Bradbury  
Arr. Harold DeCou

*(Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.)*

### Welcome and Announcements

Elder, Jo Ann Flores

### Call to Worship (Please stand)

Elder

Let everything that has being praise the name of the Lord!

**Mountains and hills, fruit trees and all cedars,  
shall praise the name of the Lord.**

Young men and women alike,  
old and young together shall praise the name of the Lord.

**We shall praise your name,  
O God, for your glory is above earth and heaven.**

Let us worship God!

### \* Hymn

“Guide, Me O Thou Great Jehovah”

PH # 281

### Prayer for Renewal (Unison. Be seated.)

Elder

Let us pray...

**God of wisdom and understanding,  
have mercy upon us as we confess our sin.  
Your children are scattered; language keeps them apart.  
Forgive us for the cultural pride  
that refuses to learn the language of another.  
Forgive us for the barriers of insensitivity  
that repel those whom you seek to call through us.  
By your Spirit’s power undo the plight of babel  
by the miracle of your presence,  
to the end that all may hear the Gospel  
and praise the risen Christ with one voice.**

*(time for silent prayer)*

### Assurance of Pardon

The Rev. Dr. Terry Olthoff

Amen. As God confused the language of all the earth to keep the people from idolatry, so God sent Christ with one universal message of salvation!

**Whoever calls on Christ’s name shall be saved! People of God,  
trust that name and be assured that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### \* Sung Congregational response:

GTG 582 v. 1

***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.***

## HEARING THE WORD

### Prayer for Illumination and Scripture Readings:

John 6:13:31-35 (NT pg. 92)

Deacon Reader, Lori Golightly

Mark 9:38-50 (NT pgs.42-43)

The Rev. Dr. Terry Olthoff

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### Time with All Ages

Roxanne Foster

*(As the children and youth come forward, please join in singing)*

***This, this is where children belong, part of our family, part of our song.  
Be with us, pray with us, help us grow strong, this is where children belong.***

### Sermon

“Not For Your Own Glory”

The Rev. Dr. Terry Olthoff

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \* Affirmation of Faith (Please stand)

Elder

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and the apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.  
In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of people long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace.  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us  
from the love of God in Christ, Jesus our Lord. Amen**

*—from A Brief Statement of Faith (1991)*

\* **Hymn:** "Be Thou My Vision" PH #339

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer** Pg 16 front of Hymnal  
(Pray, "Forgive us our sins...")

**Offertory** "Poeme" Organist, Julie Pulliam  
Piano/Organ duet, Betty Niquette, piano Zdenko Fibich  
Arr. Lani Smith

**Presentation of Offering** "Doxology" PH #592/1

**Prayer of Dedication**

\* **Hymn** "Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing" PH # 538

**\*Charge and Benediction**

\* **Closing Sung Response** STF# 2223 verse 1 and refrain

***We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

**Postlude** "Faith of Our Fathers" Hemy Walton  
Organ/Piano duet, Betty Niquette, piano Arr. Tedd Smith & Don Hustad

*Please come through to Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.*

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Pulpit Elder: Jo Ann Flores      Deacon Reader: Lori Golightly  
Time with All Ages: Roxanne Foster      Greeter: Valerie Friedman  
Ushers: Brenda Cavanaugh & Nancy Rosi      Flowers: Ron & Linda Johnston  
Hymn Leader: Eileen Gardner

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To worship God through faith and action,  
To nurture the spirit of Jesus Christ in each of us,  
To be an extended family to all,  
And to serve the community  
through programs, education, and prayer.*

***Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 15, 2022***