

July 14, 2024 | FIRST TRADITION 11:00 AM | Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

PRELUDE James Stanley

This is My Father's World | Jason W. Krug

CALL TO WORSHIP †

Rev. Natasha Murray

We gather to worship God,

Who creates us and loves us;

Who gifts us with diversity and makes us for community;

Who gives Jesus Christ to show us how to live;

Who inspires children, youth, young adults, and people of all ages,

To seek justice, share power, and live together in love and equality;

Who invites us to join the struggle for wholeness and wellbeing for all, and whose presence, grace, and love sustain us in our living.

We gather to worship God.

To God be all glory, honor, and praise!

OPENING HYMN 144 [†]

This Is My Father's World | United Methodist Hymnal

PRAYER OF THE DAY[†]

O God, who is to us a loving, faithful provider, we open ourselves this day to your care. May your refreshment, your renewal, your forgiveness, your strength, your hope surround those who are gathered here in Jesus' name. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST[†]

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG

Jesus loves me, this I know for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me— the Bible tells me so.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Sam Meadors

HYMN OF ILLUMINATION 405

Seek Ye First | United Methodist Hymnal

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Taniyah Mays

1 Kings 19:3-9 Pew Bible, Old Testament Page 319 The word of God, for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SONG OF PREPARATION 328

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace. I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. SERMON Rev. Sam Meadors

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY Emory Molitor

How I Love Your Word | Mark Hayes

DOXOLOGY 94 †

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | United Methodist Hymnal

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SENDING FORTH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING[†]

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP †

CLOSING HYMN 536[†]

Precious Name | United Methodist Hymnal

BENEDICTION †

POSTLUDE James Stanley

Fanfare of Praise | Jason W. Krug

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

Clergy: Rev. Natasha Murray, Rev. Sam Meadors, Rev. Haley Jones Wells

Music & Worship Arts: Emily Molitor, James Stanley, Shannon Webb

Liturgist: Taniyah Mays

Audio/Visual: Christopher Cone, Lesley Andrews

Altar Guild: Debbie Boyd & Gwen Bartlett

Altar Flowers: To the Glory of God and in honor of all staff. Given by Helen

Williams

IN OUR PRAYERS

Requesting Prayer:

Jason Cline & Family, Kathy Blackmon, Melba Yancy, Brian Kinder, Emily Taylor, The Clark Family, Gay Lee, Mary Davis, Sharon Ursery, Sidney Beal, Paul Floyd, Chad Wycoff, Linda Deloney, Savannah Smith, Coralie Hawkins, Les Haynie, Steve Cross, Bob Nelson, Heather Rose, Heather Hill, Bill Lewis, Ann Marie Trammell, Rosie Howard, Jeff Crowe, Mike Pack, Tracy Tomlinson, Gayle Bogy



