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OF FARMINGTON

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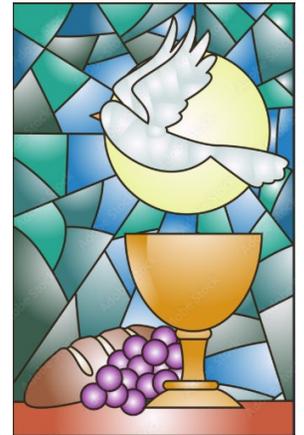
WELCOMING ALL; SHARING CHRIST; SERVING OTHERS

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*In preparing our hearts for worship, we will be dimming the lights in the narthex, indicating a time to prepare ourselves for worship. Please enter the sanctuary quietly and in time to hear the welcome and announcements.*

# July 6, 2025

## Fourth Sunday of Pentecost and Communion



Prayer of Preparation

Teach us your way, O Lord, that we may walk in your truth;  
Give us an undivided heart to revere your name.  
Psalm 86.11

## We Enter into God's Presence

*\*Please stand in body or spirit*

Prelude

Take My Life And Let It Be

arr. Bret Edstrom

Welcome / Greetings

Pastor Bruce Mulder

*Signing of the Friendship Pad & Prayer Cards*

\*Call to Worship based on from based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

Liturgist

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

**The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.**

We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

**We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.**

\*Opening Hymn #172

Blest Are They

1. **Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.  
Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.**
2. **Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.  
Blest are they, who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.**
3. **Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.  
Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God.**
4. **Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.  
Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs.**
5. **Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.  
Rejoice, be glad; yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.**

*Refrain:*

**Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you!  
Rejoice and be glad!  
Yours is the kingdom of God!**

Prayer of Confession from Psalm 51

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

**Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us.**

**Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

# We Hear God's Word

Reading

Isaiah 66.10-14; Luke 10.1-11, 16-20

Liturgist

## Isaiah 66.10-14

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast, that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.

For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream, and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm and bounced on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass, and it shall be known that the power of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

## Luke 10.1-11, 16-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Seek Ye First  
FPC Choir

arr. Douglas Wagner

Sermon

“Ask & Go”

Offertory & Collection of Prayer Cards

Doxology #606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God all creatures here and below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Song of Invitation #701

*Sanctuary*

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.  
Celebrating the Lord's Supper**

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The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Eternal God, holy and mighty, it is truly right and our greatest joy  
to give you thanks ... the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

The Words of Institution

The Lord Jesus, the same night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "*Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.*"

In the same way, after they had eaten, Jesus poured a cup saying, "*This cup is the New Testament in my blood: do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*"

Sharing of the Gifts of Bread & Cup

*Please come forward to receive the bread and cup when you are ready or raise your hand and you will be served where you are seated.*

Communion Prayer—from Psalm 103

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**and forget not all God's benefits,**

who forgives all your iniquity,

**who heals all your diseases,**

who redeems your life from the Pit,

**who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**and all that is within me, bless God's holy name! Amen.**

## **We Respond to God's Word**

Prayer of the People based on Psalm 121

Liturgist

No matter where we are, where we are going, or what we are doing, we know that we find our help in you, our Lord. You are the creator and sustainer of all that has been made and will be made. And yet, the immensity of creation does not distract you from caring personally for every person in it.

We know that is true of your care for us too! You do not daydream or become weary in that care. We thank you for not only watching over us with diligence but that you will guide us so that we will not fall— so that we won't even stumble.

Whether we are awake or asleep, you are there, sheltering and protecting us from all that would hurt us. We know that you watch over all our living— you have in the past, and we

know you are now. Your promise holds for the future and for eternity, and we praise and thank you for that, through Jesus Christ our Lord who teaches us to pray:

**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; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **We Follow God's Word into the World**

\*Hymn of Sending # 647

Give Thanks

**Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;  
Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son, Give Son.**

**And now let the weak say, "We are strong";**

**Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the lord has done for us!" And us!"**

**Give thanks. Give thanks.**

Benediction

Pastor Bruce Mulder

Postlude

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

arr Lani Smith

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### **50 Backpacks for Kids in Foster Care (Deadline: TODAY Sunday, July 6)**

Heads up! Members and friends who love shopping for back-to-school items! This year we are committed to filling 50 backpacks for kids who are in foster care. On the bulletin board in the foyer, the Mission Team has a photo list of specific items that need to be purchased. If you would like to participate: (1) Take a tag with a photo; (2) Provide your name and phone number on the provided line; (3) Bring in the item/s with the tag/s attached and place in the bin below the bulletin board. Then, on Sunday, July 13, we'll pack the 50 backpacks together with all the items during fellowship time!

### **CARES Food Pantry**

The number of people needing assistance in providing enough food for their family continues to grow. Between 750 and 800 households are served by CARES each month. Please take home a yellow CARES shopping list, found in the pews, and take it with you on your next shopping trip. We have provided a plastic bin in the Narthex for your generous donations. Thank you for remembering your neighbors.

### **DCDI's Garden and Nutrition Class (starting June 7)**

Danika Community Development Inc (DCDI) was founded to support and promote initiatives that serve underserved populations in areas where they need support the most. FPCF also sponsors DCDI's Resume Writing & Practice Interview Workshop held a couple times per year at our church.

Once again this year, FPCF is sponsoring **DCDI's Garden and Nutrition Class, every Saturday, from 9:30 am – 11:30 am.** Sometimes we'll be in the classroom (Room 208/210) and sometimes in the garden. If you would like to volunteer to help, it's a great opportunity to build community with others we don't already know while learning something new. Even if you already know a lot about gardening, there is still much to learn from others. Let's grow veggies with our neighbors! **If you have any questions, please contact Tom Neal, Sharon Cressman, or Colleen Tavor.**

**Hospitality Time Schedule**

You are invited to bring ONE food item on ONE Sunday each month. Your Sunday depends on the first letter of your last name. It would be greatly appreciated if you are also able to help with set-up or clean-up. Please note healthy options are welcome as well such as fruit, eggs, cheese & crackers, veggies etc. Here's the upcoming schedule:

- July 6: Last names beginning S-Z
- July 13: Last names beginning A-D
- July 20: Last names beginning E-K
- July 27: Last names beginning L-R



**QR Code for Donations!**

If you ever forget to go to the ATM, or simply don't carry cash on you, we've decided to include the church QR code for a more streamlined donation process. To donate, just scan the QR code and follow the prompts to donate!

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