



August 2, 2026, 10:00 AM  
10th Sunday after Pentecost

Please fill out the blue Pew Attendance Pad and drop the paper in the collection plate during the offering. Prayer Request Cards will be collected during the opening hymn. The † indicates when worshipers are invited to stand if comfortable or find a posture that supports singing/praying aloud.

### Gathering Music

*For the Beauty of the Earth*  
(Kocher, Arr. Labenske)  
Wendy Treacher, piano

### Welcome

**All: No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome in our church. We will strive to love you, as God does, just the way you are.**

### Caring for One Another

### Prelude

*Steal Away*  
(Spiritual, Arr. Burleigh)  
Bryan Fowler, baritone, & Wendy Treacher, piano

### Call To Worship

*Psalm 17:6-7, 15*

One: I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God

**All: incline your ear to me; hear my words.**

One: Wondrously show your steadfast love,

**All: O savior of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand.**

One: As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness;

**All: when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

### The Apostles Creed (Hymnal p. 35)

(Screens)

### † Hymn

#292 *As the Wind Song*

### Call To Confession

One: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

### Prayer of Confession

**All: Holy God, we confess that we have underestimated the Holy Spirit, praying to the other persons of the Trinity more often, perhaps looking for more dramatic answers. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to trust in the quiet way you change the world and our lives, in Jesus' name, Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon

*The Book of Common Prayer*

One: Almighty and most merciful God, grant that by the indwelling of your Holy Spirit we may be enlightened and strengthened for your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! We are reconciled to God, and we are reconciled to one another. Alleluia! Amen.**

### † Congregation Response

#435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* (v.1)

### † Exchange of Peace

As children come forward

*This Little Light of Mine*

### Children's Message

Randy Herrick

### Sung Prayer of Illumination

#458 *Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet*

### Scripture Readings

**Acts 12:1-7, 18-24**

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God

**All: Thanks be to God**

**John 16:5-13**

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**All: Thanks be to God**

### Sermon

**Hot Dogmas:  
Why Do We Rarely Pray  
to the Holy Spirit?**

**Rev. David Schell**

### † Hymn

#288 *Spirit of the Living God*

### Communion

Invitation and Words of Institution

Distribution of the Bread

#291 *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* (Refrain, v.1, refrain)

Distribution of the Cup

#291 *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* (Refrain, v.4, refrain)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Offering

### Offertory

*Ride On, King Jesus*  
(Spiritual, Arr. Hall Johnson)  
Bryan Fowler, baritone & Wendy Treacher, piano

### † Sung Prayer of Dedication

#607 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

### Prayers of the People

One: Loving God, please listen to the prayers of your people...

One: Let us pray to our God.

**All: God, hear our prayers.**

### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

### † Hymn

#66 *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*  
Refrain: Congregation, Verses: Soloist Bryan Fowler

### Blessing & Benediction

### Postlude

*Psalm XIV*  
(Benedetto Marcello)  
Wendy Treacher, organ

### Today's Worship Leadership

**Worship Leader:** Rev. David Schell

**Lector:** John Vanderpool

**Children's Message:** Randy Herrick

**Music Director:** Wendy Treacher

**Guest Musician:** Bryan Fowler, baritone

**Hymn Leader:** Jennifer Blackwell

**Sound Tech:** Doug Meyers

**MediaShout:** Chad Melton

**Stream Tech:** Katie Meyers

**Prayer Recorder:** Karen Meyers

**Teller Team #1:** Sue Wrzesinski & Margery Rule

**Fellowship Hosts:** Carole Loll & Tina Ozukwe

**Ministers:** The whole church

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**\* BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS**

Today after worship!  
Meet Faith Community Nurses in the Westminster Room

# BASEBALL OUTING

## Lugnuts

**August 21 • 7:05pm**  
**\$12 TICKETS - BARBIE THEME NIGHT**

• RESERVE YOUR SEATS WITH DOUG M. BY AUG. 8 •

## We're collecting school supplies for Northeast Elementary!

- Crayons\* (24 count)
- Markers (10 count)
- Colored pencils (12 count)

\*Note: Crayola brand crayons only. We'll accept any brand of markers or colored pencils!

**Due Aug. 16**

## We're Hiring

Do you know someone who can help the kids to continue to participate in worship in a way that is less disruptive to everyone else's worship?  
Please direct them to Katie in the office!

### Church Calendar

#### **Sunday, August 2, 2026**

10:00am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:00am Fellowship Time (Westminster Room)

7:30pm N.A. Meeting (Small Dining Room)

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)

#### **Monday, August 3, 2026**

**\*\*All Day:** State Primary Election Setup (Fellowship Hall) \*\*

10:30am Al-Anon Meeting (Library)

6:00pm – 9:00pm Center Stage Rehearsal (Activity Room)

7:30pm N.A. Meeting (Small Dining Room)

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)

#### **Tuesday, August 4, 2026**

**\*\* All Day:** State Primary Election (Fellowship Hall) \*\*

9:00am – 11:00pm CAA Playgroup (Preschool Room)

1:00pm – 4:00pm Interfaith Meal Prep (Kitchen)

3:00pm Renew Cancer Support Group (Westminster Room)

4:30pm – 9:00pm Center Stage Rehearsal (Activity Room)

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)

#### **Wednesday, August 5, 2026**

**\*\* All Day:** Election Tear Down (Fellowship Hall) \*\*

1:00pm – 2:00pm Deacon Meeting (Westminster Room)

6:00pm – 9:00pm Center Stage Rehearsal (Activity Room)

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)

#### **Thursday, August 6, 2026**

9:30am Coffee & Conversation (Vista Grande Villa)

4:30pm – 9:00pm Center Stage Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

7:00pm Nar-Anon Meeting (Library)

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)

#### **Friday, August 7, 2026**

10:30am - 12pm Al-Anon Meeting (Library)

5:30pm A.A. Women's Group (Westminster Room)

7:30pm N.A. Meeting (Small Dining Room)

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)

#### **Saturday, August 8, 2026**

7:30pm A.A. Meeting (Westminster Room)