



a growing faith community

MISSION STATEMENT:

**Equipping people for a growing relationship
with Jesus Christ to serve all.**

WE WELCOME YOU!

Thank you for worshiping with us today. We're glad you're here!
Please be sure to sign our Ritual of Friendship books, located
at the end of the pew.

PRAYER CONCERNS

If you have a gratitude you wish to share, a prayer concern, or would
like to request a pastoral visit, please complete the appropriate card
found in the pews and place it in the offering plate.

CHILD CARE

At the 8:30AM and 10:00AM worship services child care is provided in
the Nursery (Room 208) for Infants thru Preschoolers, and at 11:00AM
for Infants through Toddlers. At the 11:00AM worship service
Pre-Schoolers through Kindergartners are invited to Playful Praise
in Room 102 following the Children's Time.

COFFEE HOUR IN JANET BROWN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Please join us in Fellowship Hall following the 8:30AM worship service
for coffee and snacks. The Strange Family are our hosts today, and
they look forward to serving you.

Rev. Eun-Hye Choi, Lead Pastor
Rev. Sherry Scates, Minister of Faith Formation
Roger Beitzel, Youth Director

Beth Best, Director, Chancel Choir
Megan Marconi / Tim Scates, Co-Directors, Worship Band
Kelly Markwell, Director, Bellissimo
Karyn Holstead, Director, Jr. Choir
Kathleen Hermansen, Organist

Sunday Worship Services:
8:30a Traditional Worship with Chancel Choir
9:45a Sunday School for all ages and Confirmation
10:00a Communion Service
11:00a Contemporary Worship with Worship Band

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“Disciples”

LAITY SUNDAY
OCTOBER 8, 2017
8:30AM

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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PRELUDE *"Sweet Hour of Prayer"* - Bradbury

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT *"Sing Out the Hymn"* -Dale Wood

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsively)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us, anointing us to share the good news.

Here I am Lord, send me!

God declares, "I have raised up the righteous and set forth my covenant with the people."

As for me and my house, O Lord, we will serve you today and forevermore.

God looks down and declares, "Here are my servants, whom I have chosen. In them I take delight."

Blessed is the one who seeks the Lord, who lives in the light of God.

***HYMN** *"Many Gifts, One Spirit"* UMH #114

***OPENING PRAYER** (unison)

Gracious God, you have abundantly and richly provided us with more than we shall ever need. We thank you for the abundance and we thank you for our ability to share what you have bestowed upon us. Give us guidance and direction and may we continue to serve others who are in need. Bless our small groups and let our works be mighty in your name. Open our hearts to always give freely and gladly to people everywhere. We know that together as a church and as your people, you will strengthen and grace us with your goodness. We are thankful for the laity of our church and around the world. Bless the laity, so that they can be faithful in their call to serve and do your will. We give you all the thanks and praise, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE AND LOVE**

The Peace of the Lord be with you
And also with you

CHILDREN'S TIME

Patty Habersberger
TFWS #2233 *"Where Children Belong"*
This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

CHORAL ANTHEM *"Sing Praise to God"*
- Henry Purcell, arr. by Liebergen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharing Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer (on screen)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (on screen) Exodus 18:13-26 (CEB)

***HYMN** *"Here I Am, Lord"* UMH #593

***GOSPEL LESSON** (on screen) Matthew 28:16-20 (CEB)

SERMON *"Disciples"* MickeySue Traver

WORSHIP IN TITHES AND OFFERING

Offertory *"Here I Am, Lord"* - Scutte/Sherman
Bellissimo Ringers Handbell Choir

*Doxology (on screen)

*Prayer of Dedication

***CLOSING HYMN** *"We Are the Church"* UMH #558

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** *"Take My Life and Let It Be"*
- Hérold, arr. by Kingsley

POSTLUDE *"Deep River"* - arranged by Felton