

**Postlude**

***Praise to the Lord*** -G. Walther

\*Please stand if you're comfortable doing so.

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GG – Glory to God Hymnal  
PH – Presbyterian Hymnal  
LUYH – Lift Up Your Hearts Hymnal  
SP&P—Sing! Prayer and Praise  
STF –Sing the Faith Hymnal  
W & S –Worship & Song Hymnal

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**Celebration of Worship**  
July 30, 2017  
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

**Gathering**

**Prelude**

***Great is Thy Faithfulness!***  
Helene McGuire, Organist

**\*Gathering Song**

***Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining (Shine, Jesus, Shine)***

**\*The Means of Grace**

**Welcome**

Elder Steve Galbraith

**Moment for Mission**

**Call to Worship**

Elder Starr Hildebrand

(Note: **BOLD** signifies congregational participation)

Let us call on our God and give thanks.  
Let hearts rejoice as we sing God's praise.

**Glory be to God in whose covenant we find life.**  
**Let all the people tell of God's wonderful works.**

Let us open ourselves continually to God's presence.  
Let us seek the strength that God alone provides.

**Surely the Spirit helps us in our weakness.  
The Spirit searches our hearts and enlarges our prayers.**

Who can separate us from the love of God?  
Will hardship, distress, or peril overcome us?

**Nothing can separate us from God's love.  
We can face all things, knowing God's care.**

**Congregation Singing** *To God Be the Glory*

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession** (unison)

**You know us, God, better than we know ourselves. You know the ways we scheme and manipulate for our own advantage. You are aware of how often our deeds fail to match the faith we claim. Help us to face ourselves with honesty. Give us the will and courage to change our ways. We give thanks for Christ's intercession for us. We rejoice as the Spirit gives voice to all we cannot express. Save us, O God, that our lives might give expression to Your reign. Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Response **Thanks be to God.**

**\*Congregation Singing**

*My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing?)*

**Passing of the Peace**

**Proclaiming**

**Children's Moment**

Rev. Sheri Fry

Children are welcome to come forward for the  
Children's Moment.

**Special Music** *Fill My Cup, Lord* -Richard Blanchard  
Linda and Mary Stackhouse

**Prayer for Illumination** (unison) Elder Steve Galbraith  
**Shine within our hearts, loving Lord, with the true light of Your divine knowledge, and open the eyes of our minds, that we may comprehend the message of Your Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**First Reading** Psalm 105:1-6 OT 556

**Second Reading** Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 NT 14

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** **BURIED TREASURE** Rev. Sheri Fry

**Responding**

**\*Hymn** *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

**Offering**

**Invitation to Give**

**Offertory Music** *For the Fruits of His Creation* -D. Cherwien  
Prayer Requests Collected

**\*Response** *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Parting Hymn** *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

**\*Charge and Benediction**