5 Pentecost July 13, 2025

Prelude—Grand Jeu Offering Music—Abide with Us, Our Savior	Clerambault Reger
Postlude—Lux Prima	Gounod
Hymns:	
Gathering-If You But Trust in God to Guide You	ELW 769
Hymn of the Day—O God of Mercy, God of Light	ELW 714
Sending—Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult	ELW 696

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30: 9-13

⁹ The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰ when you obey the Lord your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

¹¹ Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹² It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴ No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Psalm 25: 1-10

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

² My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³ Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶ Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

⁸ You are gracious and upright, O Lord; therefore you teach sinners in your way. ⁹ You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰ All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:1-14

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ² To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³ In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴ for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶ that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷ This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸ and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹ For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

SERVERS		<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
Greeters		Gail Marcum	Gail Marcum
Lector		Pam Hanfland	*Need Volunteer
Worship		Marie Lybrand	*Need Volunteer
		JULY	<u>AUGUST</u>
Ushers		Jim Garner	*Need Volunteer
		Gail Marcum	Wayne Lybrand
Tellers		Beth Cleland & Wayne Lybrand	Sylvia Ford & Linda Griffith
Offering Pickup		Gail Marcum	Wayne Lybrand
Property		Jim Garner	Bill Aull
Altar Guild		Wayne & Marie Lybrand	Charles & Ruth Nicholson
OFFERING		Last Sunday	Total for July
General		\$2,714.00	\$2,714.00
Online Gene	eral	\$ 761.26	\$ 761.26
Total		\$3,475.26	\$3,475.26
Building Ma	int.		
& Prop. Imp	•	\$ 620.00	\$ 620.00
Online BMP	[\$ 143.51	\$ 143.51
Total		\$ 763.51	\$ 763.51

Attention all members and friends of Our Saviour —The Elderberries have been contacted by the staff at Saluda River Academy for Arts with regard to collecting much needed supplies for children returning to school in early August. They are in need of book bags as well as school supplies. Clothing items such as shorts and lightweight pants in all children's sizes. Gently used are also acceptable. Anything is appreciated. A box will be in the Narthex for the collection beginning July 1st. Likewise, if you'd like to make a donation, please note it on your check or cash in an envelope. For more information contact Linda Griffith.

God's Helping Hands current needs are: Jiffy mix, spaghetti sauce, regular cooking oil, juice, crackers, cookies, flour, sugar, jello, pudding, dry milk, mixed vegetables and ramen noodles. Please place donations in the designated container in the Cameron Hallway.

Medicine Bottles that used to be collected for a local animal shelter are no longer needed as the shelter does not accept them. If anyone knows of some other place who might take these donations, please contact Linda Griffith. Until further notice, please note that we are disposing of your bottles if you placed them in the container in the Cameron Hallway.

Upcoming Deadlines:

July 20: Sign up for "1 Day VBS" (July 26, 9am-2pm) July 28: Grapevine Deadline

Those on our **Prayer list** below have special prayer needs at this time. We keep the entire congregation in our prayers at all times, but sometimes special prayers are needed. If your name is on the list or you have added someone's name and they no longer need to be on the list, please contact the church office so the name can be removed. Names on the prayer list are left on for two months, but may be extended upon request.

Gary Black	Horace Meetze
Phyllis Calamas	Anne Moye
Greg Chapman	Steve Rucker
Jeannie Chapman	Marie Shealy (National Health Care)
Katie Doble	Jane & DeLeon Wallace

Sunday	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
(July 13)	10:00 am	Choir Practice
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