

6 Pentecost July 20, 2025

Prelude—*Beautiful Savior*

PEETERS

Anthem—*Hear My Words*

PAULUS

Postlude—*Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices*

KONIG

Hymns:

Gathering—*O Savior, Precious Savior*

ELW 820

Hymn of the Day—*Jesus, the Very Thought of You*

ELW 754

Sending—*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

ELW 834

First Reading: Genesis 18: ;1-10a

¹ The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷ Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” ^{10a} Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.”

Psalm 15

¹ LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

² **Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart;**

³ they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

⁴ **In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.**

⁵ They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-28

¹⁵ [Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴² there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

SERVERS		<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
<i>Greeters</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Gail Marcum</i>
<i>Lector</i>	....	<i>*Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Rebecca Fingerlin</i>
<i>Worship</i>	....	<i>*Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Rebecca Fingerlin</i>
		<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUGUST</u>
<i>Ushers</i>	....	<i>Jim Garner</i>	<i>*Need Volunteer</i>
		<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Wayne Lybrand</i>
<i>Tellers</i>	....	<i>Beth Cleland & Wayne Lybrand</i>	<i>Sylvia Ford & Linda Griffith</i>
<i>Offering Pickup</i>	....	<i>Gail Marcum</i>	<i>Wayne Lybrand</i>
<i>Property</i>	....	<i>Jim Garner</i>	<i>Bill Aull</i>
<i>Altar Guild</i>	....	<i>Wayne & Marie Lybrand</i>	<i>Charles & Ruth Nicholson</i>

OFFERING	Last Sunday	Total for July
General	\$ 510.00	\$3,224.00
Online General	\$ 486.88	\$1,248.14
Total	\$ 996.88	\$4,472.14
Building Maint. & Prop. Imp.	\$ 420.00	\$1,040.00
Online BMPI	\$ 220.38	\$ 363.89
Total	\$ 640.38	\$1,403.89

The flowers today are given by Frank Yonce to the Glory of God and in memory of Linda and our wedding anniversary on July 27.

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)

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

The family of Phyllis Calamas

Greg Chapman

Jeannie Chapman

Katie Doble

Horace Meetze

Anne Moye

Steve Rucker

Marie Shealy (National Health Care)

Jane & DeLeon Wallace

Sunday

(July 20)

9:15 am

Adult Sunday School

10:00 am

Choir Practice

10:15 am

Youth Sunday School

10:30 am

Holy Communion

Saturday

9:00 am

Vacation Bible School

Sunday

(July 27)

9:15 am

Adult Sunday School

10:00 am

Choir Practice

10:15 am

Youth Sunday School

10:30 am

Holy Communion