

Welcome

*Passing of the Peace

Prelude

Call to Worship

L: Beloved, this is the core of our faith: nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: God's never-ending love surrounds us and calls us, assuring us that through God's love, all things will work together for God's good purposes.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: Come, let us worship God who is Love, trusting that through joy and sorrow, happiness and despair, contentment and pain, Love will carry us through.

P: Thanks be to God who forms, connects, and guides us through Love. Amen.

Opening Prayer

*Hymn of Praise

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

UMH 127

*Affirmation of Faith

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy
catholic church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the
life everlasting. Amen.**

*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World
without end. Amen. Amen.*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Children's Sermon

Proclamation of the Word

Anthem

Shout to the Lord
Chancel Choir

Schrader

Epistle Lesson Matthew 13:31-33, 47-52

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Growing the kingdom”

Pastor Ryan

A blessing of the backpacks

Sending Forth

*Hymn of Invitation and Dedication

Seek Ye First

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*Benediction

Go now in the blessing and assurance that nothing can separate us from the love of God. May this good news inspire us all to take up the hard work of building community and acting for the flourishing of all our neighbors, because we do not act on our own—we act on the power of God’s never-ending love. Amen.

*Congregational Choral Response

*Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.*

*Postlude

Liturgist: Autumn Beasley

Prayers for...
the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza.
our men and women serving in harm’s way.
neighbors served by our ministries
Rev. Ryan Bachuss, Lyndsey, and Emerson
churches in transition
our church family... Ed & Bonnie House,
Rhonda Shirey, Wanda Shambley, Verna Riley,
Fred Dietrich, Brenda Grimes, Joe Hirsch, Ron Randolph,
Neelie Dobbins, Sue Gregory, Bill Gibbs, Joan Coffey,
Mari Weidmann Sutterfield, Tina Freeman,
Dick & Joann Newcomb, Bernie Dickson, Earl Crumpler,
Dick Dickson

hospice...Ray Ellen

extended family... Bobby Clayborn, Charlie Atkins,
Greg Nettles, Jay Williams, Robyn Yarbrow, Willie Gibson,
Elizabeth Rowlett, Anita Walker, Allen Dawson, James
Louviere

homebound or assisted living ...Joyce Mann,
Danny Barnes, Sarah Shirey, Ruth Dempsey, Pat Beasley,
Ann Ellen, Fay Kendrick, Pat Stringfellow

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This Week at Church

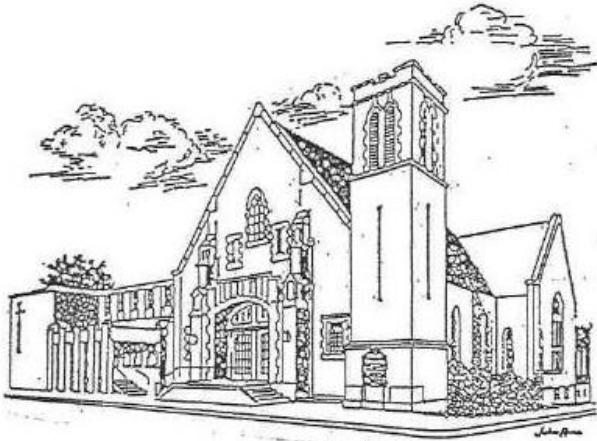
- Sunday, July 26, 2026**
9:00am Worship Broadcast on FM 97.1
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Worship
6:00pm Round Robin El Dorado
- Monday, July 27, 2026**
9:00am Food Pantry
11:00am Strong Women
2:30pm Great Hall Doors Open
4:45pm Sue’s Table
- Tuesday, July 28, 2026**
9:00am Food Pantry
- Wednesday, July 29, 2026**
7:00am CFHS Senior Breakfast
11:00am Strong Women
7:00pm Choir Practice
- Thursday, July 30, 2026**
Preschool Teachers Meeting
- Friday, July 31, 2026**
9:00am Food Pantry
11:00am Strong Women

The full worship service is broadcast on FM 97.1 on
Sunday mornings at 9:00am. The Worship Service is available
on our YouTube channel -

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Following Jesus
Loving People