

Sunday, July 22, 2018  
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost  
Worship Leader: Pat Edmonds  
Music Director—Victoria Warwick  
Discovery Kids – Colleen Gareau



\*Please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

SUMMERTIME HYMN SING

\*HYMN: MV #1 Let Us Build a House

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

*All are welcome, all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.*

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,  
where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

Refrain

3. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;  
a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;  
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

Refrain

4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone,  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger:

Refrain

5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

Refrain

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO THE GATHERED

ACKNOWLEDGING THE LAND:

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

As we light this Christ Candle, may it remind us that Christ is in us and in our world.

SUNG RESPONSE

Surely the presence of our God is in this place,  
I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.  
I can feel the brush of angel's wings. I see glory on each face.  
Surely the presence of our God is in this place.

OPENING PRAYER

One: We gather in this quiet place, O God, away from the busyness of daily living.

All: We seek your presence now, in this time of quiet. *(pause)*

One: Gentle us.

All: Enable us to listen for the small sounds that fill our world with hope.

Amen

THEME CONVERSATION/LORD'S PRAYER

*(Discovery Kids head upstairs)*

PRAYER FOR ENLIGHTENMENT:

SCRIPTURE READINGS: [2 Samuel 7:1-14a](#) [Ephesians 2:13-22](#)

SPECIAL MUSIC: Jackie Hopkins

SERMON: "House of God"

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY: Special Music

\*DOXOLOGY: VU #541

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures high and low;  
Give thanks to God in love made known;  
Creator, Word and Spirit One.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN: VU #332 The Church's One Foundation

## COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

### SUNG BENEDICTION:

Go in love; have no fear.  
God will guide you, God is always near.  
Go in Love; take God's hand.  
God will hear you, and will understand.  
May God's light forever shine upon you.  
May God's peace be always in your heart.  
Go in love; face each day.  
God will lead you, and will show the way.  
Go in love and live in faith. Amen.

### POSTLUDE



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## Announcements

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Welcome Friends!

Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey,  
You are welcome here!

Whether you are a child, youth, adult or elder,  
You are welcome here!

Whatever your ethnic origin or language;  
sexual orientation or gender identity;  
religious tradition or theological position;  
whatever your economic status or political persuasion  
You are welcome here!

If you are differently abled,  
you are welcome here!

If you are spiritually weary and in need of rest,  
If you are mourning a deep loss in your life,

If you are skeptical;  
if you have been hurt by religion,  
If you have questions,

If you come full of doubts or confidence, joy or sorrow,  
You are welcome here because you are God's creation,  
and WIDE is God's Welcome!!

Friends! You are Welcome in this Place – Just as you are.

Welcome and thank you to Pat Edmonds, our worship leader today.

Special music today is provided by Jackie Hopkins. Thank you Jackie!



Welcome and thank you to Amanda Clarke, our guest pianist today.

Pastoral Care: Rev. Karen is on holidays and will be returning Monday, July 30. In case of a pastoral emergency, please contact Rev. Bev Irwin at 705-549-9896. For funerals, please contact Colleen Gareau at 204-724-7337.

July – August Office hours: Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Closed on Fridays.

Emergency Food Drive: There is an urgent need for help at our community Food Bank. Summer is one of the heaviest demand times for the 250 - 270 families that use this service every month. Today is the last day for this emergency food drive. Thank you to all who have helped out.



Summer Communion Service and Luncheon will be held on Wednesday August 8, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. This is for St. Paul's members who are no longer able to attend the regular church service. Transportation will be available. If you know someone who would appreciate an invitation, please call the church office. HELP IS NEEDED with food preparation, driving and serving.

Summerfest dinners continue. Our next event is next Wednesday, July 25, from 5:00 to 6:30 pm, in the Great Hall or on the lawn, weather permitting. Menu is Spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, caesar salad, desert and cold drink, all for \$15.



Camp Awesome Registrations are now due. Please register on-line or at the church office. Camp runs from July 30 to August 3, from 9 a.m. to noon. Baking donations are needed for this week-long event. We need rice krispie squares, puffed wheat cake and nut free cookies by Sunday, July 29th. Please sign up on the bulletin board below the name tags if you can help.



Just a reminder that the Accessibility Committee will be collecting the Audio Supports surveys until July 31. Please take a moment to provide your input and return the survey to the church office, so we'll know if people's needs are being met.

We have a system for hearing support. Please speak to an usher for assistance.



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