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PROGRAM	LOCATION	TIME
Coffee Fellowship Time	Fellowship Hall (L.L.)	9:00 a.m.
Worship	Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.

CHURCH STAFF		
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Designated Pastor	J. Martin Westermeyer	Shaman4@zoomtown.com
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Church Office Hours	
Monday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday	Closed
Friday	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Calls will be answered off-site on days when the office is closed.	



June 1, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter



Prayer for the Day before Worship
*Lift us to new heights of awareness of Your love, O God,
as you move among us calling us to service.
Keep us praying for the unity of your people in the oneness of Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*All who are able are welcome to stand

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude “In Heavenly Love Abiding” (Gordon Young)

Tower Bell

***Call to Worship: based on Psalm 97** (done responsively)
Rejoice all the earth;
And the coastlands will be glad.
Rejoice all the heavens;
And all the peoples behold God’s glory.
Rejoice in the Lord, all you people;
And give thanks to God’s holy name.
Let us Worship our God!

***Hymn #358** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (Beecher)

***Prayer of Adoration and Confession**
We give you thanks, O God, for the gift of life: not just any life, but new life that comes through the redeeming death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. In him do we give you praise. In him do we live. In him do we set our eyes on the world. Grant us your Spirit to see you at work in us and in our world. And give us the strength to persevere in all that we do.
- Spirit of the living God, open our eyes even as we are blinded to you and all that you have placed around us.

- Spirit of the living God, open our minds even as we are weakened by the darkness that we create around us.
-Spirit of the living God, restore us, strengthen us, and lead us in service to all in need.
Keep us in your truth and unite us in one hope, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Assurance of Grace**
Hear the Good News! Jesus prays for us who have believed in Him through the words of the Apostles. He prays that we may be with Him where He is with God and the Holy Spirit. Dearly Beloved, believe the Good News!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, now and forever. Amen.

***Gloria Patri** *(Greateorex)*
**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.**

From the Poetry of the Old Testament: Psalm 97
The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!
Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
Fire goes before him
and consumes his adversaries on every side.
His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.
The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,
before the Lord of all the earth.
The heavens proclaim his righteousness,
and all the peoples behold his glory.
All servants of images are put to shame,
those who make their boast in worthless idols;
all gods bow down before him.
Zion hears and is glad,
and the towns of Judah rejoice
because of your judgments, O God.
For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.
You who love the Lord, hate evil;
he guards the lives of his faithful;
he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.
Light dawns for the righteous
and joy for the upright in heart.
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name!

Welcoming and Leading Us This Morning

Preaching Today: Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer

Liturgist: John Robson

Organist: Michael Sullivan

Choral Director: Dr. Dobin Park

Sound Technician: Robert Pettus

Greeters: David Stamm

Ushers: Steve Twehues, Ralph Schoulthies & Mike Hanson

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Choral Director Today: Sang Bin Park

This Week

- Sunday, June 1:** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- Monday, June 2:** 7:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon Meeting
- Tuesday, May 3:** 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
7:00 p.m. East Row Historic Foundation Meeting
- Thursday, June 5:** 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Yoga Class Fellowship Hall
- Saturday, June 7:** 9:00 a.m. AA Meeting
11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. East Row Garden Walk
- Sunday, June 8:** 10:00 a.m. Worship Service/Pentecost Sunday/
Communion Sunday
11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. East Row Garden Walk

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GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD THANKS BE TO GOD!



The greenery at the pulpit and baptismal font are provided by the church.

Open flower dates are June 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th.
To reserve your special date, please call the church office.



ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS

For online giving, please scan the QR code.

The Easter Season calls us to love one another.

Our church food pantry is in need of personal hygiene products and cleaning supplies. During this Easter season we are asking you to consider donating items or making a monetary donation that the Leadership Team will spend on items. needed.

The collection will begin after Easter Sunday and continue through **Pentecost Sunday, June 8th**. We'll have boxes to collect items at the entries to the sanctuary.

List:

Toiletries – toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, bar soap, lotion.

Cleaning Supplies – paper towels, dish liquid, laundry detergent, all-purpose cleaner, disinfectant, scrubbing sponges, cleaning cloths.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Please join us on Sunday, June 8th as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. We will celebrate the sacrament of holy communion on this day instead of Sunday, June 1st and remember to wear something red that day to celebrate Pentecost!

LUNCH BUNCH **Wednesday, June 11th**

12:00 p.m.-2:00p.m.
“Brown Bag Day”
Bring Your Own Lunch
Drinks & Desserts Provided

From the Revelation of John: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” And let everyone who hears say, “Come.” And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

Solo

“People Need the Lord”

(Nelson/McHugh)

(Garrett Cutajar - soloist)

Every day they pass me by
I can see it in their eyes
Empty people filled with care
Headed who knows where?
On they go through private pain
Living fear to fear
Laughter hides their silent cries
Only Jesus hears

We are called to take His light
To a world where wrong seems right
What could be too great a cost
For sharing life with one who's lost?
Through His love our hearts can feel
All the grief they bear
They must hear the words of life
Only we can share

People need the Lord
People need the Lord
At the end of broken dreams
He's the open door
People need the Lord
People need the Lord
When will we realize
People need the Lord?

From the Gospels: John 17:20-26

“I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

“Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them and I in them.”

Sermon:

“We Are One?”

Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer

We are an Easter-faith people.

As a spring festival coinciding with the earth's rebirth,

As a central meaning of human existence.

As a puzzle, an intriguing mystery,

As impossible to have happened, much less to happen still.

As the ways of God which are beyond our ways,

As a possible reality.

Living the hope of new life,

Believing that the mystery of God is a mystery of forgiving love.

Thanks be to God!! Amen.

(Hankey)

Joys & Concerns – Silent Prayer – Pastoral Prayer

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

(Amazing Grace)

As long as life endures.

What a joy to give thanks! What a blessing to be able to share!

(arr. Fred Bock)

O blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

En el primer caso, la longitud de la lista es 1, por lo tanto, el elemento

© blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus. Thou hast loved us love us still.

(Old 100th)

God of all goodness, we give you thanks for all things in our lives. We are grateful for the gift of food, and the opportunity we have to feed others in your name. We are also grateful for the blessing of shelter, and the opportunity we have to care for the homeless. We give thanks for the love of friends and family, and your call to love even our enemies. You have given us much and you turn us to see more. Help us to receive your blessings and your challenges with gratitude. May we find that, through your grace, blessings become challenges and challenges become blessings. Amen.

(Festal Song)

***Benediction**

(Gorden Young)

Please sign the guest register when it comes to your seat.