INDEPENDENCE SUNDAY
HOLY COMMUNION
OUTDOOR SERVICE @ DAVIS PARK
July 3 ~ 9 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

We fulfill our Mission to "make disciples for Jesus Christ" by following our Pathway:
Living our faith.
Nurturing families.
Serving our communities.

*GREETING

MUSIC FOR GATHERING — Brass Quintet

"We Gather Together"

*CALL TO WORSHIP — Pastor Johnson

ONE: Freedom is coming!
ALL: We can hear it in the voices of the oppressed.
ONE: Hope is coming!
ALL: We can see it in the eyes of all those who despair.
ONE: God is here!
ALL: We count on God's presence with us, to guide, heal and uplift our spirits. Amen!

*HYMN — "America the Beautiful" — #696

1. O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain;
for purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood
from sea to shining sea.

2. O beautiful for heroes proved
in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved,
and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness,
and every gain divine.

3. O beautiful for patriot dream
that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam,
undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control,
thy liberty in law.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE — Pastor Johnson

DEDICATION OF OUR GIFTS — Pastor Boruff

SPECIAL MUSIC — "Sing Praises" — Brass Quintet

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE — Erin Stout

ANTHEM — "Three Spirituals" — Brass Quintet

OLD TESTAMENT — Erin Stout

Psalm 78:1-8, 19 (NLT)

[1]O my people, listen to my instructions. Open your ears to what I am saying, [2]for I will speak to you in a parable. I will teach you hidden lessons from our past—[3]stories we have heard and known, stories our ancestors handed down to us. [4]We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell the next generation about the glorious deeds of the Lord, about his power and his mighty wonders. [5]For he issued his laws to Jacob; he gave his instructions to Israel. He commanded our ancestors to teach them to their children, so the next generation might know them—even the children not yet born—and they in turn will teach their own children. [7]So each generation should set its hope anew on God, not forgetting his glorious miracles and obeying his commands. [8]Then they will not be like their ancestors—stubborn, rebellious, and unfaithful, refusing to give their hearts to God...(yet) [19] they even spoke against God himself, saying,"God can't give us food in the wilderness.

This is God's Word for God's people today.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON — Pastor Boruff

Can God Set a Table in the Wilderness?

HYMN — "Blessed Assurance" — #369

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
Refrain:
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain*

CONFESSION AND PARDON — Pastor Johnson

Christ our Lord calls to his Table: all who hurt and are beaten down by the stresses of life; all who love him and earnestly seek to live in peace with one another; all who repent of their sin and long to follow the call of discipleship. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.
Merciful God, we confess that we have failed to love you most of all. We have failed to fully be your church in this time and place. We have sinned against you and each another by things we have done and things we have left undone. We have not loved our neighbors because we have failed to see the Christ in others.
Forgive us, we pray. Free us to walk in the light of your grace, and in full obedience to your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Hear the good news: Despite our brokenness, Christ died for us that we might have life. That proves God's gracious love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Glory to God! Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING — Pastor Boruff

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Almighty God, Creator of the universe, Ruler of all nations, Judge of all flesh, you have placed us, in this land made rich with rivers, forests, mountains, and creatures great and small. Here, you set before the founders and pioneers of this nation an opportunity beyond measure to build a realm of justice, peace, and freedom. Here you continue to call your people, freed from the law and baptized into Christ Jesus, to be a sign of your reign in all the world. For such a place, such a vision and such a calling we give you thanks, praying we may ever join afresh the dreams you set before us. And so, with your people in every land on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
Above all we give you thanks for the gift of your Son Jesus Christ, who sends us into the world to declare the good news of your kingdom to every creature: Justice to all peoples, good news to the poor, release for prisoners, sight for the blind, and freedom for the oppressed. On the night before he was arrested and sentenced to death by the authorities of his own nation, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you."
When supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks, gave it to his disciples, and said,
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the covenant poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins."

Pastor Johnson

And so we remember again as we proclaim the mystery of faith.
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
We pour ourselves out before you in praise and thanksgiving, a holy and living sacrifice in union with Christ's offering for us. Pour out your Spirit on us and on these gifts of wheat and grape. Make Christ known to us in the breaking of this bread, and the sharing of this cup. Renew our fellowship in him, that we may be for the world his body poured out for the world at this time, and at that great banquet in your new creation where justice flows like rivers, righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, where none shall hunger or thirst, neither shall they learn war anymore. By him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, Almighty God, now and ever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

SHARING THE BREAD & CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Pastor Johnson

MUSIC OF SENDING Brass Quintet
"Where're You Walk"

***BENEDICTION**

***POST-POSTLUDE** Brass Quintet
"Sousa Mix" *arr. Mark Murray*

WELCOME

Welcome to worship on Sundays and all programs & ministries throughout the week!

Weekly Prayer Requests

- Pray for Marilyn Ault, Lou Ann and Phil Brown, Chrissy Cox, Pat Moore, and Vicki Snyder
- Pray for Dorinda Cassiday, recovering from surgery
- **Pray for our Conference Superintendent and our Bishop** Rev. Saneta Maiko and Bishop Julius Trimble
- Pray for children & staff at Gateway Childcare: Kitchen & Custodial

Weekly Schedule

Sun 7/3			
9:00 am	Worship		Davis Park
10:39 an	Summer Wired Word		Davis Park
10:45 am	Worship	North/South Parlor	Downtown
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Community Grille	Downtown	Portico
Mon 7/4 Church Office Closed			
4:45 pm	Exercise Class		Davis Park
6:00 pm	AA Study	East West Parlor	Downtown
Tues 7/5 No Church Activities			
Wed 7/6			
7:00 am	Rotary	N/S Parlor	Downtown
2:00 pm	Grab & Go Set up & Distbtn	East/West Parlor	Downtown
3:00 pm	Coffee with Corinne		Facebook
4:45 pm	Exercise Class		Davis Park
6:00 pm	Hospitality Meeting	North/South Parlor	Downtown
Thurs 7/7			
Fri 7/8			
12:00 pm	Downtown Devotion		Facebook
Sat 7/9			
9:00 am	Step x Steppers		
10:00 am	AA Meeting	North/South Parlor	Downtown
Sun 7/10			
9:00 am	Worship		Davis Park
10:30 am	Wired Word		Davis Park
10:45 am	Worship	North/South Parlor	Downtown
2:00 pm	Worship		Primrose
4:30 pm	Community Grille	Portico	Downtown

Announcements

- xxx guests joined us at the Community Café Grille last Sunday. It was a blessing to serve the community.
- HOSPITATLITY TRAINING: Your presence is important at the remaining two sessions on July 6 & 20 at 6 p.m. in NS Parlor.

We give thanks for:
Ushers: Kathy Kean, Dale Mendenhall, Debbie Millikan
Fellowship Hosts: Betsey Bachman
This Week's Brass Quintet: Mark Finger, Mark Murray, Erin Stout, Chris Taylor, Sarah Taylor

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