

## THE LORD'S DAY

August 2o, 2o23

## We Gather to Worship

1o:oo a.m.

PRELUDE
Piano/Chancel Organ
CALL TO WORSHIP \& "Amazing Grace" The Carillon Bells
Striking the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

| $\dagger$ INTROIT <br> $\dagger$ Please stand as you are able. | "Every Day With Jesus" <br> ( Verse 1) | Page 22 |
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| $\dagger$ HYMN | "I Love to Tell the Story" |  |
| (Verses 1,2,4 ) |  |  |$\quad$ Page 444

## We Pray for One Another and Recite God's Covenant Promises

Pastoral Prayer
RESPONSORIAL

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { "Psalm 23" } \\
& \text { (Verses 1,3 ) }
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Responsive Reading: "The Heidelberg Catechism"

## We Return Our Time, Talent

 AND TREASURE UNTO THE LORDReceiving the Tithes and Offerings $\dagger$ DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

## We Lift OUR

## VoIces in Praise

HYMN

Page 750 ( All Verses)

Special Music
Exposition of the Word AND CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Sermon
"The Lord's Prayer,
Don't Just Repeat It!"
Matthew 6:5-13
$\dagger$ The Apostles’ Creed
$\dagger$ Closing Hymn "My Savior's Love"
(Verses 1,4)
$\dagger$ BENEDICTION
$\dagger$ ANTHEM
"The Family of God"
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## Depart in Peace to

## LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

If you are visiting with us today, we're glad you're here. We are ordinary people on an extraordinary journey, learning to love and serve like Jesus. Come with Us!


IIn this constantly changing world, our goal is to reflect and recapture the historic and classical worship of Almighty God. Central to our service is the proclamation of the Word and a biblical understanding of the Sacraments in the tradition of the Evangelical and Reformed faith.

## OUR Mission

To Present Christ to Everyone EVERYWHERE, AT EVERY AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY

THE LESSONS FOR USE ON THE
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Year A Isaiah 56:1,6-8 • Psalm 67
Romans 11:1-2, 29-32 • Gospel Focus: Matthew
We Affirm the Following:

- The Holy Trinity of God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- God has revealed Himself fully and decisively in Holy Scripture. We believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired, infallible, and authoritative Word of God and our guide for faith and life.
- There is only one way to Salvation - through Jesus Christ.
- The sanctity of human life based on our creation in the image of God The sanctity of human life based on our creation in the image of God respectfully affirm the sanctity of life at every stage, from conception to ordinary death.
- The Biblical principles of immutable gender and sexuality: The exclusive union of one man and one woman in marriage; and fidelity to its vows. And, chastity outside of marriage for the sake of the Kingdom.
- God made all people from one man and although people can be distinguished by different ethnicities and nationalities, we are all one human race and absolute equals before God in creation, the need for repentance, and the offer of redemption
- That the mission of the Church is to spread the Good News of the Gospel in every word and deed. Proclaiming to the world the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and seeking to bring every person into a life of faith, discipleship, and submission to Him.

| ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 92 |  | GIIING REPO |  |
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|  |  | Week Ending August 13, 2023 \$2,406 |  |
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|  |  | Sunday General Giving | 1,978 |
|  |  | Online General Giving | 303 |
| Are you interested in Church Membership? |  | Total General Gifts | 2,28 |
|  |  | Less $3 \%$ to Building | 68 |
|  |  | Less 10\% to Missions | -228 |
|  |  | Net General | 1,984 |
| We receive new members the last Sunday of each month. If you are interested in joining our Church family, please see Pastor Kler today. |  | Designated Giving |  |
|  |  | Building Maintenance | 143 |
|  |  | Flowers | 25 |
|  |  | Gals | 25 |
|  |  | Total Designated Giving | 422 |
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 history. Many churches, like ours, recite it every week in their liturgy. Catechisms often devote a question and answer to each line of the prayer as we have seen in the Heidelberg Catechism. Pastors preach sermon on it, as I will be doing today. And countless families and individual Christians pray it regularly, even daily

Martin Luther captures both the benefit of regularly using the Lord's Prayer and the danger of repeating it with a disengaged spirit. He wrote:

To this day I suckle at the Lord's Prayer like a child, and as an old man eat and drink from it and never get my fill. It is the very best prayer, even better than the Psalter, which is so very dear to me. It is the very best prayer, because the true master of prayer, Jesus, composed it and taught it to us. What a horrible tragedy of tragedies that our Mas ter's prayer should be blabbered and prattled so irreverently all over the world! How many pray the Lord's Prayer several thousand times in the course of a year, and if they were to keep on doing so for a thousand years they would not have tasted nor prayed one iota one dot of it! In a word the Lord's Prayer is the greatest martyr on earth (as are the name and Word of God). Everybody tortures and abuses it; few take comfort and oy in its proper use.

Luther also expounded on how to pray the Lord's Prayer in a lette of instructions to his friend and barber, Peter Beskendorf, who had asked him how the ordinary person should pray to God. In the letter he wrote:

You should know that I do not want you to merely recite all these words in your prayer. That would make it nothing but idle chatter and prattle. Rather do I want your soul to be stirred and guided concern ing the thoughts which ought to be comprehended in the Lord's Prayer These thoughts may be expressed, if your heart is rightly warmed and inclined toward prayer, in many different ways and with more words or fewer if prayed from the heart

Loose Change for LOCAL MISSIONS
in the JOASH CHEST supports the THOMAS PROMISE FOUNDATION. Their Mission is to provide Pasco County's
most valuable resource - our school children
 with the simplest things that most of our kids take for granted. ach week they pack more than 1,100 and nutritious food to see needy children through the weekend when school meals are not available.

Thomas Tix
Promise
$\mathbb{T h e ~ C h a n c e l ~ f l o m e r s ~ A x e ~ f a l a c e d ~ b p ~}$ Bob Mitchell and Linda Walchak
 in honor and memory of

## MARK YOUR $\square$ CALENDAR

Guy's Lunch. $\qquad$ Thursday September 7 th at 11.00 a.m. ~~~Guy's Prayer Group $\qquad$ Thursday, September 7at 10:30 a.m.

GAL's Meeting. $\qquad$ ber $7^{\text {th }}$ at 10:30 a.m Board Meeting.................................Tuesday, September 12 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ at $6: 00$ p.m


Wednesday Bible Study............................................ Weekly at 4:00 p.m. Sunday School.........................................................Weekly at 9:00 a.m. Lord's Day Worship...................................................Weekly at 10:00 a.m.


## FAIRVIEW

COMMUNITY CHURCH of ZEPHYRHILLS
... a Christ-centered, Reformed faith fellowship.
Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing, but Encourage one another as the Day $^{\circ}$ the $\mathscr{L}$ ord draws near. Hebereus $10: 23$


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