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August 2, 2026
10th Sunday after Pentecost
Communion Sunday
Summer Biblical Character Series – **Priscilla**

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On-Call Pastor: Rev. George Heberling.

Sunday, August 2 – Saturday, August 8:

**Please call the church office during office hours for Pastoral needs:
Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 12:30pm, 717-334-7266.**

**For after office hour EMERGENCIES,
please call Deb's cell phone 717-357-6329**

Please stand as you are able; **BOLD print - congregational response*

**All words provided on the screen*

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TIME OF SHARING/GREETING

PRELUDE MUSIC

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

How lovely is God's dwelling place,
**Our souls yearn for God's presence;
our hearts cry out for the Living God.**

The Mighty One is a sun and a shield.
God bestows favor and honor.
**We seek God and God answers us.
God delivers us from our fears.**

Come into God's house. Here, even the sparrow finds a home,
Even the swallow has a nest near God's altar.

Come all you who thirst, all you who are heavy laden.
Come take refuge here.

***HYMN #419 "Now Thank We All Our God"**

***PRAYER**

**We have come, O God, seeking you, seeking your presence,
seeking your peace, seeking your fellowship. May we sense your presence
here among us as we have gathered at this hour. Revive us again! Amen.**

***SUNG RESPONSE #73 "Enter Rejoice, and Come In"**

***Enter, rejoice and come in. Enter, rejoice and come in.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice and come in.
Open your hearts everyone. Open your hearts everyone.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice and come in.***

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

SPECIAL MUSIC
“A New Name in Glory”
Carl Glover

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 17:1-7, 15

Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry;
give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

²From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.

³If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me, you will find no
wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress.

⁴As for what others do, by the word of your lips
I have avoided the ways of the violent.

⁵My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.

⁶I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me, hear my words.

⁷Wondrously show your steadfast love, O savior of those who seek refuge
from their adversaries at your right hand.

¹⁵As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness;
when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.

Romans 16:1-6, 16

I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deacon of the church at Cenchreae,
²so that you may welcome her in the Lord as is fitting for the saints, and help her
in whatever she may require from you, for she has been a benefactor of many
and of myself as well. ³Greet Priscilla and Aquila, who work with me in Christ
Jesus, ⁴and who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks,
but also all the churches of the Gentiles. ⁵Greet also the church in their house.

Greet my beloved Epaenetus, who was the first convert in Asia for Christ.

⁶Greet Mary, who has worked very hard among you.

¹⁶Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.

SERMON

“Priscilla, Risk Taker and Church Starter”

PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

HYMN #321 "Break Now the Bread of Life" *(Remain Seated)*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #887 The New Creed**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

***CELEBRATION OF OUR GIFTS**

As we celebrate our gifts, may we remember how God has blessed us abundantly.

May we now bless others through what we bring of ourselves.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE #562 "Take My Gifts" (V1)**

***Take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me,
gave me light and food and shelter, gave me life and set me free,
now because your love has touched me, I have love to give away,
now the bread of love is rising, loves of love to multiply!***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Bless these gifts abundant God and use them to further
your creation's growth and stability.**

**Use us to ensure all your children feel loved,
welcomed and supported. Amen.**

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Eternal God, you have called your people from east and west
and north and south to feast at the table of Jesus Christ.
We thank you for Christ's presence and for this spiritual food.
By the power of your Spirit, keep us faithful to your will.
Go with us to the streets, to our homes, and to our places of labor
and leisure that whether we are gathered or scattered,
we may be the servant church of the servant Christ. Amen.**

COMMISSIONING OF THE 2026 MISSION TEAM

Congregational Prayer

**Lord, prepare this team for what lies ahead.
Give them the strength and dedication needed to serve others unselfishly.
Give them the energy needed to follow through with every task.
Remind them to support each other as no one does this work alone.
May they be the extended hands and hearts of this congregation.
Bless those whose lives they will be changing. Amen.**

***HYMN #393 "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds"**

***FINAL BLESSING**

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PRELUDE: *There Shall Be Showers of Blessing*. Text and Tune by James McGranahan. Arranged by Joel Raney. Copyright 2019 Lorenz Publishing Co.

SPECIAL MUSIC: *A New Name in Glory* by C. A. Miles

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of my son Matthew's 42nd Birthday by Bonnie Smith.

PRAYER LIST: A list is available in the Gathering Area when it is updated. Please call the office to be removed from the list.

****USHERS NEEDED FOR AUGUST** – please sign up in the Gathering Area. Thank you!

ALTAR CARE: I am looking for a few good people to Care for the Altar to prepare communion, change paraments and candles and order Altar Flowers. Please call Nancy MacMeekin 717-334-2111

AUGUST is a 5th SUNDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION month: The Adams County Library System was the third highest charity chosen by the Congregation from the list of suggestions earlier this year. Envelopes will be available in the pews and Gathering Area.

NEWS FLASH! In an effort to inform congregation members and/or the wider community of what is happening in our church, the Communication Committee is seeking information to pass on. If your committee is doing something you would like to share, please let the Communications Committee know. **The month of August "info gatherer" will be Carl Glover 717-253-1402 or by email: glover@msmary.edu**

STAINED GLASS TOURS: Friday afternoons at 2:00pm and 3:00pm. The tours are free, donations accepted to help fund the Stained Glass Restoration project. **Greeters are needed at the door to welcome guests while Carl Barrick and/or Jane Malone are giving the actual tours.** Contact Jane or Carl if you would like to help.

SUMMER OUTREACH: The growing season has begun! Please bring in your excess garden goodies. Those of us with not-so-green thumbs can then share in your harvest by placing money in the jar as "payment" for the fresh produce. **Proceeds will go to the Independent Living Program of Adams County Children and Youth.** More information on this program is available on the Summer Outreach table. **Please give generously and enjoy the fresh items.**

ATTENDANCE: Outdoor Worship/Picnic 7/26: 10:30am 50

FINANCE REPORT 7/26:

Envelope Offering Need: \$111,360.00 Envelope Offering Rec'd: \$93,679.50

Property Fund Need: \$11,550.00 Property Offering Rec'd: \$4,992.50

THIS WEEK

Today, 8/2: Mission Team leaves for West Virginia (returning 8/8/26)

12:30pm-4:30pm MDANA – Fellowship Hall

Friday, 8/7: 9:30am Flutes – Fellowship Hall

2:00pm and 3:00pm Stained Glass Church Tours

Worship Participants

Rev. Dr. Frederick A. Young

Joan Peck

Sara Shank

Mark Luckenbaugh

Janet & Steve Sheely

Joe Lysitt

Buck Harvey

Georgia Hollabaugh, Kara Young,

George Steckert, Garrison Redding, Suhua Dong, Nina Redding, Cindy Kidd,

Terry Krietz, Bette Bunce, Chris Swinn

Pastor

Liturgist

Organist/Choir Director

Percussionist

Greeters

Ushers

Acolyte

Tech Team

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Nun danket alle Gott
(Now Thank We All Our God)

Martin Rinkart, 1647

Transl. Catherine Winkworth, 1858; alt.

1. Nun dank-et al-le Gott, mit Herz-en, Mund und Händ-en,
der gro-sse Ding-e tut an uns und al-len End-en;
der uns von Mut-ter-leib und Kind-es-bein-en an
un-zäh-lig viel zu gut bis hier-her hat ge-tan.
1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voic-es,
Who won-drous things has done, in whom this world re-joic-es,
Who, from our par-ents' arms, has blessed us on our way
With count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
2. O may this boun-teous God through all our life be near us,
With ev-er joy-ful hearts and bless-ed peace to cheer us,
And keep us still in grace, and guide us when per-plexed,
And free us from all ills in this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God our Mak-er now be giv-en,
To Christ, and Spir-it, too, our help in high-est heav-en,
The one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heaven a-dore,
For thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

Sir. 50:20–24; 39:35; Ps. 67

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In

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Louise Ruspini; alt.

1. En-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
En-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
To-day will be a joy-ful day;
en-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
2. O-pen your-self to the song.
O-pen your-self to the song.
To-day will be a joy-ful day;
en-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
3. O-pen your hearts ev-ery-one.
O-pen your hearts ev-ery-one.
To-day will be a joy-ful day;
en-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
4. Don't be a-fraid of some change.
Don't be a-fraid of some change.
To-day will be a joy-ful day;
en-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
5. En-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
En-ter, re-joyce, and come in.
To-day will be a joy-ful day;
en-ter, re-joyce, and come in.

Ps. 100

Break Now the Bread of Life

Mary A. Lathbury, 1877; alt.

1. Break now the bread of life,
Sav-ior, to me,
as you once broke the loaves
be-side the sea;
Be-yond the sa-cred page
I seek you, Lord;
my spir-it yearns for you,
O Liv-ing Word.
2. Bless now the truth, dear Christ,
to me, to me,
as you once blessed the bread
by Gal-i-lee;
Then shall all bond-age cease,
all shack-les fall,
and I shall find my peace,
my all in all.

Matt. 14:13–21; Mark 6:30–44

Shirley Erena Murray, 1991

1. Take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me,
gave me light and food and shel-ter,
gave me life and set me free,
now be-cause your love has touched me,
I have love to give a-way,
now the bread of love is ris-ing,
loaves of love to mul-ti-ply!
2. Take the fruit that I have gath-ered
from the tree your Spir-it sowed,
har-vest of your own com-pas-sion,
juice that makes the wine of God,
spiced with hu-mor, laced with laugh-ter—
fla-vor of the Je-sus life,
tang of risk and new ad-ven-ture,
taste and zest be-yond be-lief.
3. Take what-ev-er I can of-fer—
gifts that I have yet to find,
skills that I am slow to sharp-en,
tal-ents of the hand and mind,
things made beau-ti-ful for oth-ers
in the place where I must be:
take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me.

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Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

John Fawcett, 1782; alt.

1. Blessed be the tie that binds
our hearts in Chris-tian love;
The shar-ing of a com-mon life
is like to that a-bove.
2. Be-fore our God we come
and pour our ar-dent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our com-forts and our cares.
3. We share each oth-er's woes,
each oth-er's bur-dens bear,
And of-ten for each oth-er flows
a sym-pa-thiz-ing tear.
4. When we are called to part
it gives us in-ward pain,
But we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet a-gain.

Gal. 3:28; 6:2; Col. 3:13–15