



•JESUS FEEDS THE 5,000.

AND ALL ATE AND WERE
FILLED, AND THEY TOOK
UP WHAT WAS LEFT OVER
OF THE BROKEN PIECES,
TWELVE BASKETS FULL.

MATTHEW 14:20, NRSV



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost | Holy Communion

August 2, 2026

10:50 a.m.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jennifer Johnson

Prelude

Max Jackson

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Alec Wyton

† **Call to Worship**

Mike Lilly

L: Even in the joy of summer, our hearts can be burdened.

P: Stress and worry do not seem to take vacations.

L: You have come to a special place where you can find relief and healing.

P: Thanks be to God for providing us with such blessings.

L: Come, prepare your hearts to receive God's gracious gift of love.

P: We open our hearts in thanksgiving to God. AMEN.

† **Hymn of Praise**

#366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us Thy humble dwelling; all Thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, Thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love Thou art;
visit us with Thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;
let us all in Thee inherit; let us find the promised rest.

Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all Thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never, nevermore Thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;

let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee:

changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

† Call to Confession

† Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, You see deep into our hearts and know us better than we know ourselves. Forgive us we pray. For the times we turn away from Your word, remind us that You are the Lord our God, our eternal protector and guide. For our impulses of anger and jealousy, scorn or spite, grant us Your healing peace. For our resistance to forgiveness, generosity and mercy, inspire us with Your compassionate love. AMEN.

† Assurance of Pardon

† Response

#446 (1)

How Blest, Those Whose Transgressions

How blest, those whose transgressions have freely been forgiven;
whose guilt is wholly covered before the sight of heaven.
Blest, those to whom our Lord God will not impute their sin:
whose guilt has been forgiven; whose hearts, made true again.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 32:22-31 (NRSV)

²²The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him.

³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. forevermore.

L: The Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 145 (tune: Beecher)

Congregation

I will ever sing Your praises, for all time, Your name I'll bless;
Without peer is Your great glory, limitless Your righteousness.
Each new generation numbers all Your blessings as their own;
To the earth's most far-flung regions is Your majesty made known.

You are gracious, full of mercy, slow to anger, quick to love;
Saints below may glimpse Your kingdom in the lofty skies above.

In this life, the best I savor is but common fare to me;
All the riches earth can harvest cannot match Your majesty.

For the Lord is ever faithful to supply our deepest need;
Justice grows from every judgment, wholesome bread from every seed.

God is never too far to hear us, never deaf to our demands;
Those who love and trust the promise rest secure within God's hand.

† **Matthew 14:13-21** (NRSV)

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, He withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by Himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed Him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When He went ashore, He saw a great crowd, and He had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And He said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full.

²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L: This is the Holy Gospel of Christ! **P: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Rev. Jennifer Johnson

Low Expectations

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

† **Hymn of Response**

#460

Break Thou the Bread of Life

Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.

Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord.

My spirit pants for thee, O living Word!

Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, now unto me,
as thou didst bless the bread by Galilee.

Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall.

And I shall find my peace, my all in all.

† **Affirmation of Faith** *Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

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We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Acknowledgement

Special Offering: Backpack Ministry

† Doxology

#606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† Prayer of Dedication

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Rev. Jennifer Johnson

Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right . . . Hear us, gracious God, as we join creation's song and
sing Your eternal praise:

**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. Hosanna in the highest.**

. . . With thanksgiving, we celebrate the good news of the
presence of the Holy Spirit in the midst of our lives even as we
proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. (2x)

Gracious God, pour out Your Holy Spirit . . . Through Christ, all
glory and honor are Yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in
the holy church, now and forever.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

The Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

(We will be served the bread and cup by our ushers. Eat the bread as an individual act of repentance and thanksgiving. Please retain the cup until all are served and we will take it together.)

Prayer After Communion

WE ARE SENT IN GOD'S NAME

† Hymn of Sending

#803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways,
and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
When I walk through the shades of death your presence is my stay;
one word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows; your oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode, and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
no more a stranger, or a guest, but like a child at home.

Postlude

O Lord, We Praise and Adore Thee

Heinrich Scheidemann

† Charge & Benediction

† Standing as you are able.

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: *Teresa Cassity* | Liturgist: *Mike Lilly*

LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 53
General Offering: \$10,388.00
CAREs: \$25.00
Memorials: \$900.00
Earth Care/Youth: \$15.00
Online Offering: \$575.00
Total Offering: \$ 11,903.00

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

➡ SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

Sunday Morning Study, 9:28 a.m. (on break, will resume 9/13)
Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.
Harmony of the Gospels, 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.

Back to School Brunch following Worship

➡ TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

Tai Chi, 5 p.m.

➡ WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans
Bereavement Support Group, 6 p.m.

➡ THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

Paper Angels, 1 p.m.

➡ SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

Tai Chi, 11 a.m.

August Pulpit Supply:

Aug. 9: *Rev. Dr. Tom Hall*

Aug. 16: *Rev. John Ferguson*

Aug. 23: *Rev. Jimm Smedley*

Aug. 30: *Kalin Folden (Pastor Bill's former parishioner)*

Operation Christmas Child August Donations: *Coloring books, stickers, playdough, jump ropes, pencil cases*

The 2026–2027 PW/Horizons Bible Study

The Horizons Bible Study is looking for new members! It meets on the second Thursday of each month at **5:15 p.m.** Our sessions will begin on **August 13**. If you are interested in joining, please contact Bettie George Frye.

Dames & Dinner Bible Study

The new study is "A Jesus Shaped Life" by Lisa Harper. The study will begin on **Thursday, August 27**, and will continue the third Thursday of each month from **5:30 to 7 p.m.** Dinner will be provided, though a \$10 donation is welcome. Books are free of charge. Please feel free to invite a friend or two to join us.

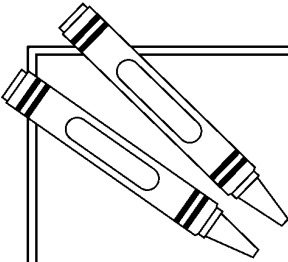


MR. & MRS. JOSHUA PATRICK MILLER REQUEST THE PLEASURE
OF YOUR COMPANY AT THE WEDDING OF THEIR DAUGHTER

Mycah Jo Miller
&
William Evan Jones

SON OF MR. & MRS. DAVID ANDREW JONES

ON THE FIFTEENTH DAY OF AUGUST
two thousand twenty-six
AT HALF PAST FOUR IN THE AFTERNOON



Just for KIDS

A Miracle Dinner

*Matthew 14:15-21 is a Bible story about a special dinner.
Below is a poem about that story.*

Complete the poem by filling in the blanks with
the correct pairs of words.

then	true	late	lunch	rest	began	faces	done
men	you	ate	bunch	quest	ran	spaces	ton

Jesus was tired and went to find _____.
 So away from the crowd he started his _____.
 It came to an end before it _____.
 The crowd followed Jesus, they walked and they _____.
 His boat pulled ashore and he looked at their _____—
 five thousand men, plus families filled all open _____.
 And so Jesus spoke and he taught until _____.
 The disciples told him it was time they all _____.
 Jesus said, "Yes, that is certainly _____,
 and feeding this crowd is now up to _____."
 Feeding five thousand! It could not be _____!
 What would they do? They'd need a whole _____!
 But then a young boy came and offered his _____—
 five loaves and two fish to feed this big _____.
 Jesus gave thanks and blessed it and _____
 it fed all the women, the children and _____!

ANSWER: rest/quest, began/ran, faces/spaces, late/ate, true/you, done/ton,
lunch/bunch, then/men

PRAYER CONCERNS

Week ending July 30, 2026

Angie Lewis (UK Medical Center)

Evan Moore (Sandy Woodward)

Heather Shay

Week ending July 23, 2026

Kena Broomall (Kelly & Mark Hanni's daughter)

Mike Hall (Geri Willis' brother)

Don Lilly

Jacob Mollette (Glen & Christy Thomas' son)

Chris Payne

Week ending July 16, 2026

Susan Martell (Pastor Bill's sister)

Ongoing:

<i>Christina Akers</i> <i>(Heather Whitman's sister-in-law)</i>	<i>Nancy Payne</i>
<i>Bill Gesling</i>	<i>Bonnie Pettijohn</i>
<i>Charlie Holbrook</i>	<i>Tim Shepard</i>
<i>Angie Lewis</i>	<i>Jan Winans</i>
<i>Derek Payne</i>	<i>Ann Wiseman</i>

Boyd Nursing and Rehabilitation: Kenny McGill, Sr.

Kingsbrook Care Center: Barry Barbour

The Lantern: Betty Jean Phipps

Military: Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, son of Kris Adkins); Lieutenant Katie Brown (recent graduate West Point, granddaughter of Mike Whitman); Christian Brown (US Air Force, grandson of Mike Whitman); Greg Weston (Army National Guard); Lieutenant Colonel Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, niece of Don & Judy Lilly)

STAFF

Minister: *Vacant*
Choirmaster/Organist: *Max Jackson*
Administrative Assistant: *Nanette Pollack*
Facilities Manager: *Glen Thomas*
Nursery Attendant: *Kara Adkins*

SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Jan Holbrook*
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Kelly Hanni*
Treasurer: *Cathy Wilson*

2027	2028	2029
<i>Jimmy Hall</i>	<i>Teresa Cassity</i>	<i>Jan Holbrook *</i>
<i>Lee McCloud *</i>	<i>Kelly Hanni *</i>	<i>Mike Lilly</i>
<i>J.T. Norris *</i>	<i>Donna Jones</i>	<i>Ellen Sharp</i>
<i>*2nd term of service</i>		

MINISTRY TEAMS

Building & Grounds: <i>Glen Thomas</i>	Membership: <i>Teresa Cassity</i>
Christian Education: <i>Lee McCloud</i>	Mission: <i>Donna Jones</i>
Congregational Life: <i>Cathy Wilson</i>	Personnel: <i>Jan Holbrook</i>
Finance: <i>Mitch Hall</i>	Worship: <i>Mike Lilly</i>

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