

Greeters	Al & Linda Leake
Ushers	Trent & Sarah Plummer*, Oliver & Lola Linden, Ralph & Gerry Cox, Jim & Teri McCord
Welcome Hosts	Nancy Wiley, Carol Little
Coffee Servers	Help Needed
Coffee Hosts	Tom, Laurie & Jenna Cronkrite
Flowers	To the Glory of God and in Celebration of our 50th Wedding Anniversary from Frank & Barbara Peterson.



### Those Serving Today:

Tom Anderson, Trumpet  
Darlene Cusick, Organist

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 23, 2017  
10:00 am

## Innovation and Vision

### Our Core Values

- ◇ Genuine relationships are the heart of our church.
- ◇ God calls us to meet the real needs of real people who are imperfect like us.
- ◇ We grow spiritually serving, worshiping, and laughing together.

**Our Strategic Focus:** *Lighten the load for families* in our local neighborhood.

### Our Strategic Priorities

- In our neighborhood... become more helpful
- In our congregation... become more relational
- Across all ministries... become more intergenerational
- In our connections... become more digital
- In all our decisions... become more aligned with our values and mission

The regular schedule and contact list can be found on the green card in the pews. Please feel free to take one with you.

Announcements for this week will be handed out by the ushers and found on the Information Desk and at the Good News Center.

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### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

#### GATHERING MUSIC

"Air from Water Music" Handel

#### WELCOME

ENTRY INTO CELEBRATION (responsive)  
Chuck Gebhardt, Liturgist

Jesus told an amazing parable about allowing weeds to grow among wheat.

**What has this to do with the kingdom of God?**

#### \*PRAISE GOD WITH SONG (screen)

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

#### CALL TO PRAYER

God is gracious, allowing wheat and weeds to grow together until such a time that judgement comes. In light of God's abundant mercy, let us make our confession together.....

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**\*PRAYER LEADING TO NEW LIFE AND NEW BEGINNINGS**

Lord of the harvest, we thank you that your gospel has been sown freely among all people. We praise you for your promise that one day the harvest will be gathered, and that an end will come to the weeds that choke and spoil your crop.

We confess, O God, our lives are a mixture of both--wheat and weeds, sheaves and tares. We find within our own humanity the capacity for great love alongside a complacent attitude toward others. Faltering faith exists amidst the desire to do your will. The Church is at times a place of great healing, a leader in peace and justice; other times it is a self-preserving institution interested only in its survival. The world itself is filled with your goodness, but there are times where goodness seems choked off by evil.

You are gracious, O God, allowing wheat and weeds to grow together. When the harvest occurs, there will be judgment. What bears fruit will be gathered and stored. That which is useless will be cast aside. Meanwhile, help us to trust in your patient and tolerant ways. Amen.

**\*MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION**

**\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Even though our lives, the Church and the world are a mixture of weeds and wheat, we trust God for a harvest of mercy and love. Believe the good news this day: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**\*SONG OF THANKSGIVING #623** "Gloria Patri"

**DON'T KEEP IT TO YOURSELF!**

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you!**

Please share the peace with one another.

**WE ARE ALL GOD'S CHILDREN**

**LISTENING FOR THE WORD WITHIN THE WORDS**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Psalm 139; 1-12, 23-24, p. 974

**ANTHEM** "Be Thou Faithful Unto Death" Bartoldy  
Brian Tierney, soloist

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43, page 1518

**LISTENING FOR THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

"Grain and Grace"  
Sue Van Stelle

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**\*PRAISE GOD WITH SONG** (screen)

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

**WE OFFER OUR LIVES AND GIFTS TO GOD**

**OFFERTORY** "Clair de Lune" Debussy

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**DEDICATION**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**GOING OUT TO SERVE**

**\*PRAISE GOD WITH SONG** (screen)

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

**\*BLESSING**

**SENDING MUSIC**

"Minuet from Water Music" Handel

\*Those who are able may stand.