

11:00 am WorshipSeptember 7, 2025

WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Call to Worship (Hymn #387)“The Lord is in His Holy Temple”

Greeting/Announcements/Scripture Reader:Robert Guthrie

Prelude: (arr. W. Elmo Mercer)“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

\*Salutation and Call to Worship: Psalm 103:19-22

<sup>19</sup> The LORD has established his throne in heaven,  
and his kingdom rules over all.

<sup>20</sup> **Praise the LORD, you his angels,  
you mighty ones who do his bidding,  
who obey his word.**

<sup>21</sup> Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts,  
you his servants who do his will.

<sup>22</sup> **Praise the LORD, all his works  
everywhere in his dominion.**

**Praise the LORD, my soul.**

\*Hymn:“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”Hymn #48

\*Let us pray a unison prayer of Confession:

**Almighty God, you see us as we are and know our inmost thoughts. You know the ways we’ve fallen short. You know the work we’ve left undone, the mercy we’ve left ungiven, the love we’ve left unshared, the peace we’ve left unmade. You know the sinful desires we’ve chosen instead of Your righteous path. You know who we are. Help us to see who You called us to be, holy, set apart for Your will and Your glory. Forgive us, and help us grow in spirit, help us to see who You say we are by Your grace and mercy, the Body of Christ, reconciled and redeemed Children of God. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**

\*Silent Confession of Sin

\*Assurance of Pardon:

Friends, the Lord sees you and knows you. The Lord sees you and loves you. The Lord sees you and calls you. Know that you are forgiven by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

**In the name of the risen Christ, we are forgiven!**

\*The Gloria PatriHymnal # 734

Walks with JesusRev. John McCarthy

First Scripture:Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18Pew Bible #609

Prayers of the People (see list below)

Choral Call to Prayer“O How He Loves You and Me”Choir

The Lord's PrayerHymnal - Inside Front Cover

Hymn:“The Potter’s Hand”Hymn# 343

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*DoxologyHymn #34

\*Prayer

Anthem: (Hymn #373)“Change My Heart, O God “Choir

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading:Jeremiah 18:1-11Pew Bible #752

Sermon:“You are the Potter, I am the Clay”Rev. John McCarthy

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

\*Apostles’ CreedHymnal – Inside Front Cover

\*Hymn:“Revive Us Again”Hymn #463

\*Charge and Blessing

\* Postlude

\*Congregation Standing

**Directives for Prayer**

Paul & Reinhild Sydnor, IAFR, France

Shut-in/not attending: Dabney Gilliam

- Full Prayer list listed in monthly newsletter – copies available at each entrance

*We welcome our visitors and ask them to fill out a blue visitor card located in the pew rack. We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Christian discipleship and become a member of this fellowship. You may do this by meeting with the Session to express your faith in Christ in one of the following ways: Profession of Faith, Transfer of Membership or Reaffirmation of Faith.*

**Listening devices** are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary.

**Prayer Cards** are available in each pew. If you would like a card sent to someone we pray for during the service, please fill out the card and place it in the offering plate. Our prayer card ministry team will send a card the following week.

**Flowers** – Celebrating the many years of one of God’s most precious creations – Sam’s 89 years on this beautiful earth. ~ Kay

**Ushers** – serving today Eric Roberts at the North Door and Sterling Roberts\* at the South Door. Acolyte today is Liam McCarthy. Audio is Colter Wickemeyer.

This Week’s Announcements

**Rally Day** – Today! Thank you to the Deacons who provided a wonderful breakfast this morning. Today is the final opportunity to give to the Tee Godbold Match campaign. Let’s raise our final \$2,200 to meet the goal.

**Sunday School** – Beginning next week, Sunday, September 14, **Sunday School will start at 9:45 am** and Fellowship will begin at 10:30am.

**Diaconate Meeting** – Next Sunday, September 14 after worship. However, meet at 9:30 am in Sanctuary to restock pew supplies.

**Women’s Bible Study** – Restarting this Wednesday, September 10 at 10:30 am in the Philathea Room. The study will be the book of Romans.

**Communion** – Next Communion date: Sunday September 14

**Congregational Meeting** - Sunday, September 14 after worship will be a congregational meeting to elect a nominating committee.

**Upper Room** – September/October Issue of the Upper Room are now available at each entrance. Get your copy early so you won’t miss a day in September.

**Good Samaritan** – September collection: After School snacks.

**Operation Christmas Child** – September collection: We are short \$180 toward shipping costs, for our goal of 50 boxes. We also need socks and underwear for boys and girls of all ages and sizes. A few other items we can use more of: Boys 10-14 WOW items: mini games, mini books, balls -deflated, small coloring books. We also need some more T-shirts for boys ages 2-4, 5-9, and 10-14. And Sports bras for girls 10-14.

**5 Cents a Meal** – The next collection day will be Sunday, September 21.

**Session** – The next meeting will be Sunday, September 21 after worship.

<u>Calendar</u>	
Sunday, September 7	9:30 am – Fellowship Breakfast 10:15 am - Fellowship 11:00 am – Worship
Wednesday, September 10	10:30 am – Women’s Bible Study 12:00 noon - AA 6:00 pm - Choir 6:00 pm - NA
Thursday, September 11	7:00 pm - AA
Friday, September 12	Office Closed 12 noon – AA

**Church Staff**  
 Rev. John McCarthy - Pastor  
 Sherolyn Barnett, Office Manager  
 Jim Luedtke, Church Musician  
 Sue Wilkins, Church Treasurer

**Session**  
 Rev. John McCarthy – Moderator  
 Don Cherry – Clerk of Session

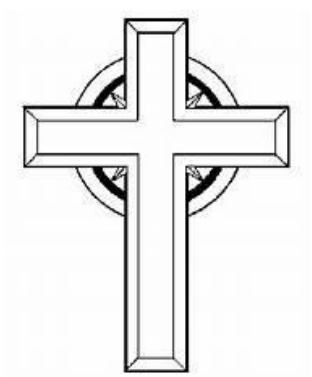
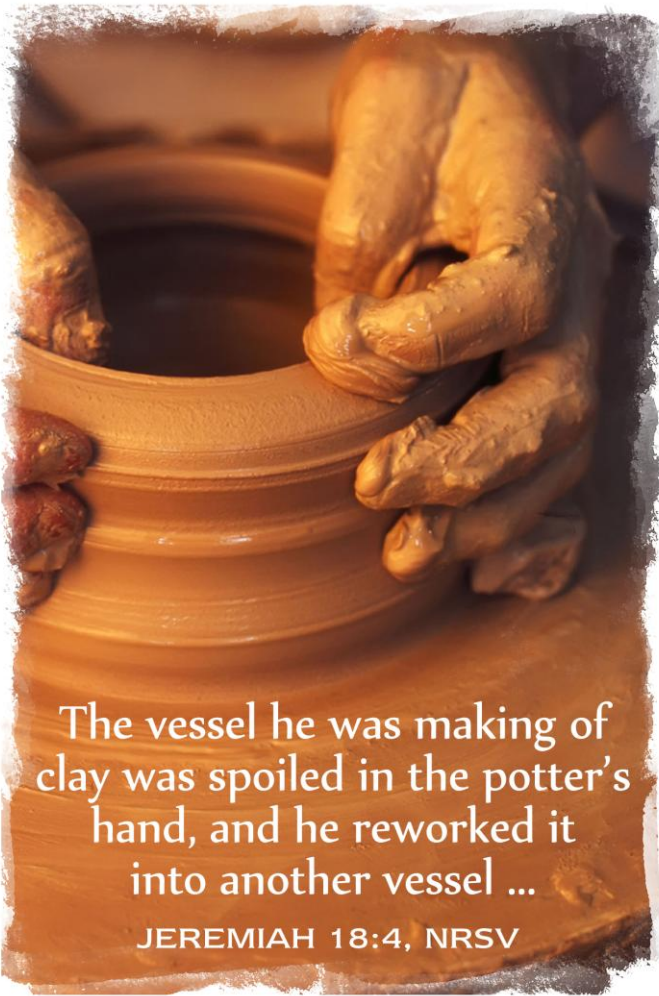
Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Robert Guthrie Mike Rand	Kim Albert Les Powell	Don Cherry Joni Owens Colter Wickemeyer

**Diaconate**  
 Sterling Roberts – Chair

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Sterling Byrd-Roberts Carol Foster Robin Hall	Sandi Hughes Kim Wickemeyer Joanna Hughes	Sallie Adams Melissa Fraser Terri Smith

Trustees	Trustees	Trustees
(2025) Eric Roberts	(2026) David McCollum	(2027) Rick Harrell

The W.W. Glass Scholarship Fund Trustees		
(2025) Melissa Fraser	(2026) Terri Smith	(2027) Ann Crabtree



**Our Missionaries**  
 Matthew & Teresa Lee, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Cameroon  
 Persecution Project Foundation, Sudan

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Mission Statement  
**"Growing God's Presence"**  
**Foundational Principles**  
*Christ Centered~Biblically Based~*  
*Spirit Led~Grounded in Faith and Love*  
**Values**  
*Committed~Servant Heart~*  
*Nurturing~Welcoming~Visioning*

No nursery will be provided at this time.  
 Children's Church (Jesus Squad) meets during Sunday School time  
 5 cents-a-meal Offering collected the third Sunday of each month.  
 Worship every Sunday at 11:00 am; Sunday School is at 9:30 am.  
 Fellowship at 10:15 am. **Internet: 1stPres: Romans3:24**

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