

Order of Worship

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

Gathering Music

Hymn Medley

arr. O’Boyle

Welcome

Prelude

Carmina Angeli

Orlando Gibbons

*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Inspire us today

to be truthful rather than pretending,

so that we may receive the gift of your courage

to stand firm in our faith,

to trust you more than our fear,

to rely on your strong hand to steady us as we live this and every

moment Let us worship God!

*Hymn 821

My Life Flows On

How Can I Keep

Call to Prayer

Prayer for Forgiveness (Unison)

You ask us to bear witness, O God – to keep our eyes and hearts open

to the suffering of others, to stay alert to the reality of the world, to stay

with you through thick and thin. We confess that we would rather go to

sleep. We numb ourselves when we can’t handle it all – we scroll, we

binge, we keep busy, we check out, we hide under the covers. We do not

know what to say, because we don’t have the strength to do what you

ask, to keep awake and pay attention. We admit that we don’t know what

to do anyway, so in the waiting we just...zone out.

Forgive us for turning away from this world you so love. Forgive us

for turning away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us for turning away

from your breaking heart. Wake us up today, and through your Spirit give

us trust to live toward your bigger picture. We ask in the name of Jesus

who prayed first for your will to be done...

(silent time for your reflection and personal confessions)

Assurance of God’s Forgiveness

Word & Wonder – A Time for the Young & the Young at Heart

Scripture Lesson

Mark 14:32-42

NT, p. 52

Sermon

Disputing God:
The Night Shift

Rev. Christie Ashton

*Hymn 720

Jesus Calls Us

Galilee

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord

Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we

trust in the One Triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we

worship and serve. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we

strive to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new

heaven and earth. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that

nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ

Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy

Spirit. Amen. .

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

As we pray together the prayer Christ taught us:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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 353

My Hope Is Built

Solid Rock

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Miles Lane

Shrubsole/arr. O’Boyle

*You are invited to stand in body or spirit as you are comfortable doing so.

Worship Leader This Week: Angie Wester

Worship Leader Next Week: George Young



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What’s Happening at Hope?

Sermon Series:

Pastor Christie will begin a sermon series on the book of

Job next Sunday. Job was a good man who “had it all” and then lost it—he is

joined by his friends and together they try to make sense of the twists and

turns of Job’s life and where God might be in all of it. We will consider

questions of what it means to be human, rejoicing and suffering, God’s

activity in the world and in our lives, and ultimately what redemption means

for us here and now. We hope you will join us for this challenging and

interesting series!

Church Calendar at a Glance

July 26	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Sunday School Worship Choir Practice
Aug 2	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Sunday School Worship (with Communion) Choir Practice

The Elder on Call for July is Susan Terry.

She may be contacted at any time

for information, emergencies, or concerns at **256-975-9847**.

Prayer Concerns

Members:	Family:
Debbie Adsit	Jimmy Marshall (Peter Loveman)
Traci Loveman	Kelley Waldron (Christie Ashton)
Holly Lowe	Lys Howdle (Susan Terry)
Andy Young	Parker Lord (Candy & Bob Lord)
Shelby Albert	Marcia Loveman (Peter Loveman)
	Fred Jones (Bill Jones)

Friends:

The Family of Tommy Glynn

Dan Hahs

The family of Carolyn Fogelman (Dan Hahs)

Tracy Fletcher

Luke & Crystal Allen (Joanna Sterling-Clutts)

Barbara Dennis

Emily Loeb (Debbie Adsit)

Suzanne Minga (Traci Loveman)

Dr. Jon Wongsurawat (Traci Loveman)

Bob Harriger (Joanna Sterling-Clutts)

Melissa Altice (Angie Toles)

Mary Neikirk (Angie Toles)

Those serving in our military.

Those affected by natural disasters

and war around the world.

Prayer Family of the Week:

Our prayer family of the week is **Holly Lowe**. This week we ask the

congregation to remember Holly and her family, asking God to strengthen

and bless them.