

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 31, 2022

9:30 a.m.

“Bad shepherds and bad sheep scatter the flock. The only solution is the intervention of the divine into human history.” ~ Kenneth Bailey

WE GATHER AROUND GOD’S WORD

PRELUDE Bobbi Hunter

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee!... Paul Manz

(Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship.)

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. George Swanson

* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) Lou Pennebaker

Our loving God, we confess that at times we are not good shepherds, tending to Your sheep. We neglect the sick, the injured, the lost and the weak. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to be more like Jesus, seeking out those who are lost and in need of Your loving care. Hear us now as we silently confess our sins.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* GLORIA PATRI No. 579

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

* Those who wish may stand.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

SOLO Bob Kraut

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need... Isaac Watts

Mollie Wakeman, accompanist

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OLD TESTAMENT READING pg. 1341

Ezekiel 34, selected verses

MINISTRY OF THE WORD Rev. Anne Swanson

“God Sends Showers of Blessing”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

* HYMN OF RESPONSE See next page

Make Me a Blessing

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

* CLOSING HYMN pg. 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Inside Hymnal Cover

Go Now in Peace ... Don Besig

POSTLUDE

God of Grace... Paul Manz

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