

Traditional Service of Worship

7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2026

11:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

Harmon

Prelude on “Ellacombe”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connect Card—available in the pews (drop it in the offering plate) or digitally via the QR code at the bottom right of this bulletin.

*HYMN

No. 467

Trust and Obey

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please respond by reading the bold text aloud)

Leader: Christ meets us on familiar roads.

People: **Christ walks beside us in every season.**

Leader: When we are confused, Christ teaches us.

People: **When we are weary, Christ renews us.**

Leader: Open our eyes to your presence, Lord.

People: **Open our hearts to recognize God on the journey with us.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (THE APOSTLES’ CREED)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God. Please greet those around you.

*HYMN

No. 700

Abide With Me (verse 1)

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 5:6-7

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Our kids' messages are virtual for the summer. All kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship. The nursery is open and available for kids four and younger.

ANTHEM

Lowry

My Life Flows On In Endless Song

Emily Charleton

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please join the response for each section of prayers:

Leader: God of grace. **People: Hear our prayer.**

OFFERTORY

Wagner

As the Deer

Brenda Scott

*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

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.

*OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, you have given us so much. Receive these gifts and use all that we share to bring hope, healing, and love in Christ’s name. Amen.

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

No. 521

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

SCRIPTURE

Luke 24:13-29

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

SERMON:

Avery Garner

“Hard Roads”

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

No. 396

O Jesus, I Have Promised

*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Franck

Grand Choer

*Congregation, please stand as you are able.

Worship Attendance - July 5, 2026

Contemporary Worship - In-person	52
Contemporary Worship- Online	4
Traditional Worship - In-person	73
Traditional Worship - Online	14
Total Worship	143

Serving in Worship Today

Our guest preacher today is RPUMC member Avery Garner.

While Pastor Emily is on renewal leave, please contact the church office if you need to connect with one of the pastors on call.

9 a.m. Contemporary Service

Nursery Helper: Sharon Joos

Greeters: Judy & Danny Marks, Pam Pearsall

Tech Team: Tami Crowell

11 a.m. Traditional Service

Nursery Helper: Sharon Joos

Greeter: Nancy & Charlie Schubiger

Tech Team: Wyatt Snipes

Ushers: Radley Remo, Chris Western

Liturgist: Karen Bailey

Our wonderful Chancel Choir is currently taking a well-deserved break. They will return to the loft on August 9.

What’s Happening Today?

Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. (Room 202 & 204)
Youth Group: 10:00 a.m. (Room 302)
Kids Club: 10:00 a.m. (Room 402)
Kids Choir: 10:30 a.m. (Room 403)

What’s Happening This Week?

Tai Chi: Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. & Thursday at 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday Night Meals Served 5:15 p.m. (McCord Building)

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

Meals Served Last Week: 148

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9am CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

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Gather with Song
House of the Lord - Phil Whickam
Welcome

Scripture
2 Corinthians 5:6-7
Your Love Defends Me - Matt Maher

Greet one another in Christ

Color - Ellie Holcomb

Children's Message
We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary for worship. The nursery is open and available for kids 4 years old and younger.

Announcements
(Please fill out a Connect Card located in the pew pocket.)

Prayers of the People
Please join the response for each section of prayers:
Leader: God of grace. **People:** Hear our prayer.

Offer Gifts to God
Depth of Mercy - Selah

Proclaim God's Word
Luke 24:13-29
"Hard Roads"
Avery Garner

Benediction and Sending
Evidence - Josh Baldwin



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**FREEDOM, FOOD,
AND FUN COOKOUT**

JULY 26TH @ 4 P.M.
FELLOWSHIP HALL



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service, financial giving, or acts of kindness).
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