

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 23, 2017

9:30 AM

WORDS OF WELCOME Gary Newton

PRELUDE *More Like You* Manhein/Bach/SanchezTio

CALL TO WORSHIP Gary Newton

Leader: Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. You love righteousness and hate wickedness.

People: I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore, the peoples will praise you forever and ever.

Leader: Let us worship God!

People: Let us worship God!

†OPENING HYMN *Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* #462

†PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION Gary Newton

You are our guardian and shield, O God, our protector who keeps us from falling. You surround us with righteousness that wards off evil forces; in Christ is the assurance to withstand ways that may tempt us. You shower us with your mercy that cleanses wrongdoing. You temper your judgment with compassion. We stand in adoration and in praise of your name. Amen.

Response *As the Deer* On the wall

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass

against us. 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 OF PREPARATION *Nearer, My God, to Thee* #528
(vs. 1, 3, and 4)

SCRIPTURE READING Gary Newton

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

New Testament: 1 John 2:18-29

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MOMENT *Beautiful Savior* Gary Newton

MESSAGE "In These Last Days, Hold On to the Faith"
-- Rev. Natarsha Gardner

RECEIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *He is Able* Manhein/Bach/SanchezTio

†Doxology On the wall

†Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, as we are in ministry with sisters and brothers throughout the world, collectively and individually, we seek obediently to answer Christ's call. Use the gifts that we offer to enhance our work to your glory. Let them provide guidance for the venture called faith. Link us as partners and unite us to serve you wherever we dwell. Amen.

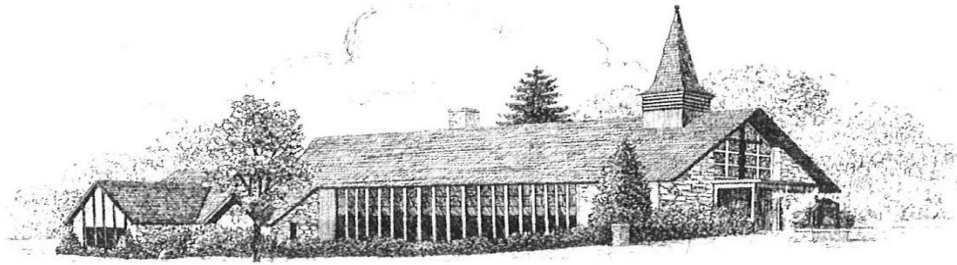
†CLOSING HYMN *Standing on the Promises* #374

†BENEDICTION *Alleluia* All are invited to sing this praise to God.

POSTLUDE *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* Gary Newton

†Those who are able are requested to stand.

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Vision:

Living in the light of God's love and following Christ, we joyfully embrace the future as a welcoming multi-cultural church. We gather for worship, learning, spiritual growth and fellowship. We go out to serve, sharing the light of Christ by promoting justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with God.

(Adopted by the Wesley Church Council, April 14, 2013)

Sunday Morning Schedule

9:30 A.M. Worship

Fellowship Time Following

Sunday School 11:00A.M. - Spanish Service 11:30 A.M.

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Church Staff

Rev. Jon Hutchison -- Pastor

Gwen Catron– Office Administrator

Nereyda SanchezTio – Music Director

Donna Bach – Organist

Erika Bringas – Worship Multimedia

Omaira Mora – Lay Missioner

Rod Ball – Custodian

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