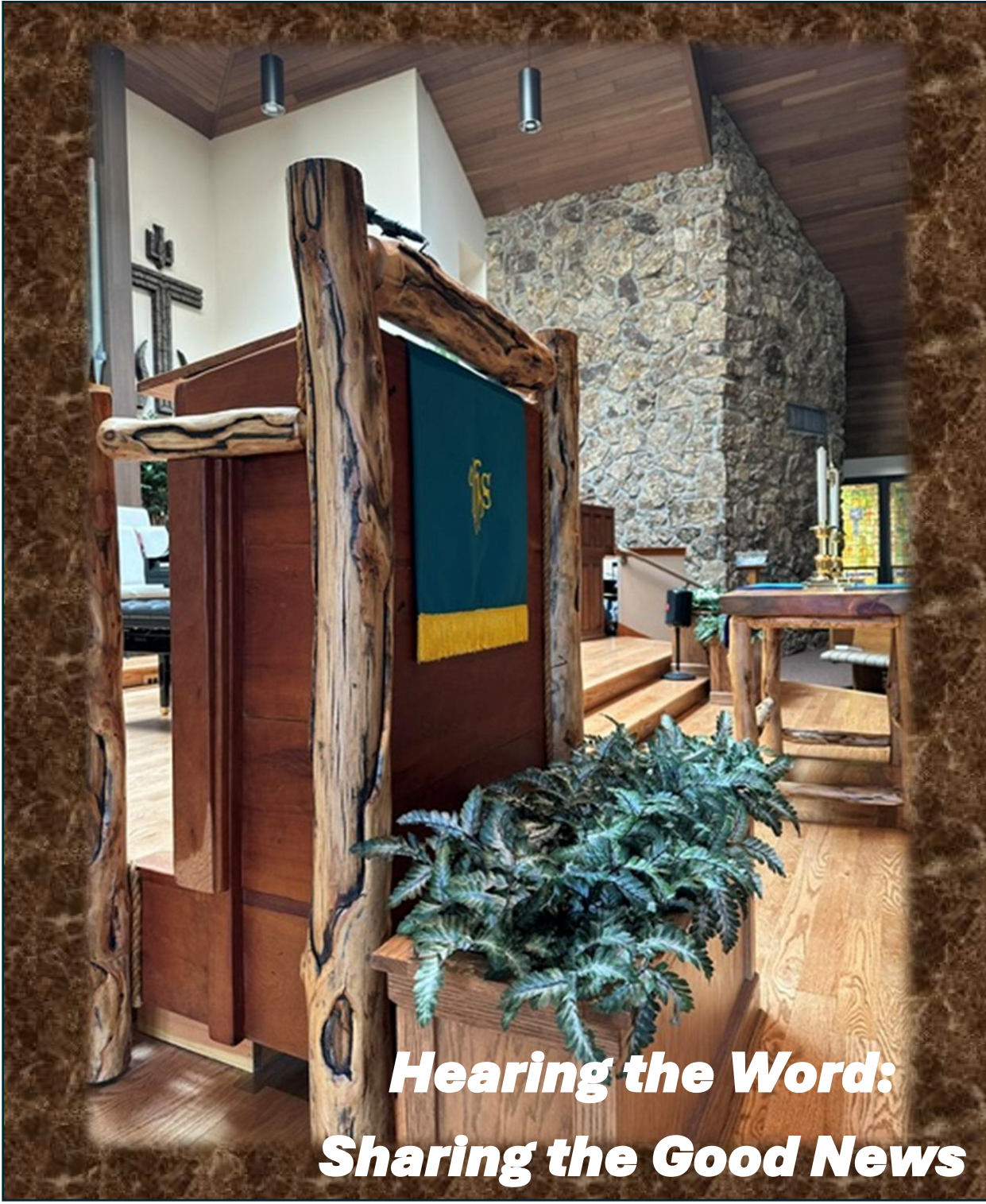




***Hearing the Word:
Sharing the Good News***

August 9, 2026

11th Sunday after Pentecost

“The apostle is arguably the most important interpreter of Jesus Christ found in the New Testament.”

— Lyle Vander Broek, Professor Emeritus of Dubuque Theological Seminary

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

PRELUDE

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Hymntune: *Nettleton*, p. 475

Pianist, Larry Gillum

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adopted from Colossians 3:12-17)

Liturgist, Randy Brigham

Let the Word of Christ dwell in us.

Let us hear the language of love.

Let us teach one another with wisdom.

Let us sing psalms and hymns with gratitude in our hearts.

And let us worship in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us give thanks to God!

*OPENING HYMN NO. 32 “I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we hear your word but don’t follow it. We fail to do the things that you would have us do. We don’t act kindly toward our neighbors, we don’t help those in need, and we forget to embrace those near to us. Forgive us and help us live into the call on our lives which is to be people who help, people who hope and people who love.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE:**

Have Mercy, God, upon My Life 421

(Psalm 51)

For - giv - en, I will praise you with

heart, soul and voice. You save the least and

seek the lost; let all the world re - joice!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 2:1-4, NRSV

SPECIAL MUSIC

"The Old Rugged Cross"

arr. Dixon

Stan Osborne, Jeff Lindberg & Dave Evans

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE

Acts 17:22-31, NRSV

MESSAGE "Hearing the Word: Sharing the Good News"

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY No. 472 “Kum ba Yah”

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Darin Workman

Member: Justin Hess
Cael Dempsey

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

“I Feel the Winds of God Today”

Hymntune: *Kingsfold*

Text by Jessie Adams, printed on back of bulletin

***DOXOLOGY**

(Hymnal # 606)

***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.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The congregation responds, “**Hear our prayer.**”
Following each petition which concludes, “God, in your grace...”*

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

***HYMN OF SENDING No. 834**

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”

Hymntune, *Lobe den Herren*, p. 35

**Please stand if you are able.*



The Week Ahead

Monday, August 10

9:30am Finance Committee
10:00am Garden Club of Estes Park
11:00am Prayer Team
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, August 11

10:00am Building & Grounds
12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
2:00pm EP Summer Residents Assoc.
3:00pm Worship & Music Committee
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
4 :30pm Deacons
6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

Wednesday, August 12

10:00am Mission & Outreach
12:00pm Bible Study

Thursday, August 13

10:15am Estes Valley Library Book Club
6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Friday, August 14

10:00am Adult Study Group

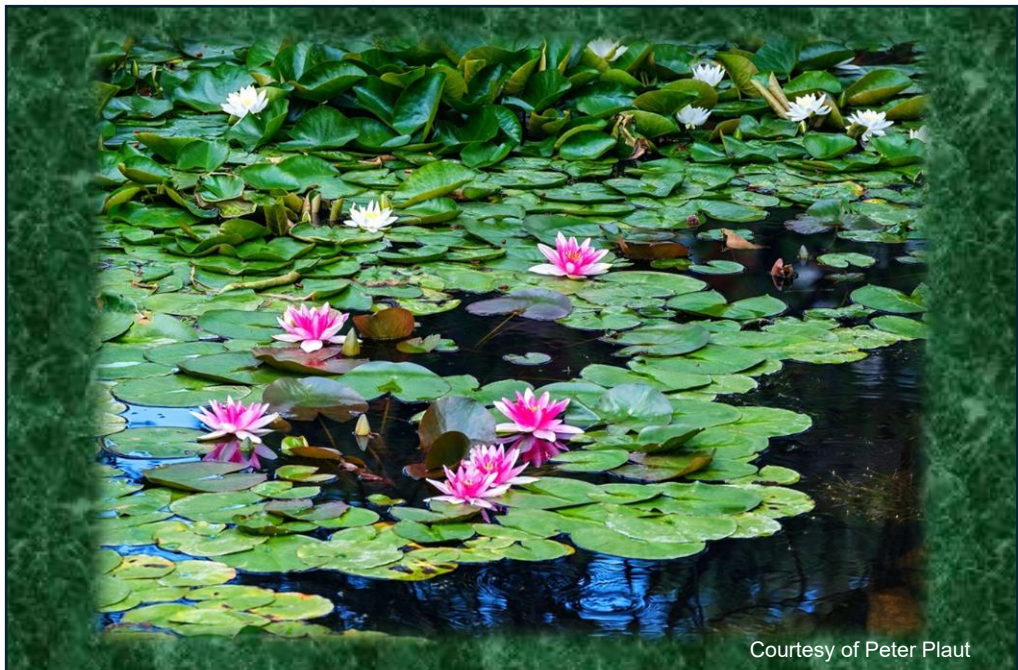
Saturday, August 15

9:00am Set-up for Pie Social
6:00pm Wagner-Korf Wedding
5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Sunday, August 16

Crossroads Donation Day
10:00am Worship
11:00am Pie Social & Hymn Sing

See the full church calendar on



Courtesy of Peter Plaut

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Linda & Larry Emsing.

Fellowship Time—Join us today for coffee and treats hosted by the Fellowship Hosts.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine will meet on Wednesday, August 12th at 12:00 noon in the church library. Come join us as we continue a study series on the book of Exodus. All you need is your bible. This week's topic is "Making Holy" Scripture: Exodus 29-31:11. See you there!

Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer — Adult Study Group (a.k.a. Not Your Mother's Sunday School) will continue on Friday, August 14th at 10:00am in the church library.

CROSSROADS GROCERY CART will be in the Narthex next Sunday, August 16th. Especially needed items are sliced bread, pasta sauce and syrup.

Pie Social and Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing—The Hospitality Committee will be hosting this annual event **next Sunday, August 16th** immediately following the worship service. Bring your favorite pie to share and your singing voice as we enjoy fellowship and fabulous sweets. Pies can be either baked or bought; there are no restrictions. See you there!

Prayer Team - The Deacons are hosting a Prayer Team on Mondays at 11:00am in the church Library. A Prayer Team consists of a group of individuals called to pray for the needs of the congregation, community and the world. If you feel prayer is your spiritual gift, please consider joining this team. ALL are welcome to attend in person, or via zoom.

Summer Outdoor Worship Services – Experience a wonderful way to worship in nature, enjoying a campfire-like atmosphere at **5:00pm on Wednesday, August 26** at our Outdoor Chapel. Join Pastor Christine with Kent Meyer on guitar for an informal service in the beauty of our Meditation Trail. Invite your friends and neighbors, everyone is welcome!

Upcoming:

Sunday, August 9 – Deacon/Session Party from 6:00-8:00pm at the Palmers

Sunday, August 16 – Pie Social and Hymn Sing immediately following the worship service in Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 7 – Church office closed in observance of Labor Day

Sunday, September 13 – Heritage Sunday & Kirkin O' the Tartans

Sunday, September 20 – Blessing of the Animals at 2:00pm at the Outdoor Chapel

Next Sunday...



**“Bake or Buy, Bring a Pie”
Pie Social & Hymn Sing
Sunday, August 16, 2026**

**11:00am in Fellowship Hall immediately
following worship**

*The Hospitality Committee invites you to join in the
fun, music, fellowship, and of course, enjoy the
delicious pies.*

*Bake or buy a pie to share and bring it to the
church kitchen before worship.*

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I Feel the Winds of God Today **text by Jessie Adams**

**I feel the winds of God today; Today my sail I lift.
Though heavy oft with drenching spray and torn with many a rift.
If hope but light the water's crest, and Christ my bark will use,
I'll seek the seas at his behest, and brave another cruise.**

**It is the wind of God that dries my vain regretful tears,
Until with braver thoughts shall rise the purer, brighter years.
If cast on shores of selfish ease or pleasure I should be,
O let me feel your freshening breeze, and I'll put back to sea.**

**If ever I forget your love and how that love was shown,
Lift high the bright-red flag above; it bears your name alone.
Great pilot of my onward way, you will not let me drift.
I feel the winds of God today; today my sail I lift.**

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