

JULY 2025 WORSHIP GUIDE

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This booklet contains the outline for each worship service during the month of July 2025.

If you are not able to attend in person, you can watch online on our website and YouTube channel. Even if we are not worshipping in the same building, we are still one body, one family, we are brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. Look up the scriptures referenced in the following pages; pray the words, and claim the promises for you and your family.

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Every story, a story of redemption. Every song, a testament to Grace.

SUNDAY AUGUST 10, 2025 @ 10:30AM

PLUS: Backpack Blessing & Free Picnic Lunch

JULY WORSHIP

July 6

Scriptures to read and meditate on: 2 Kings 5:1-14; Ps 30 ; Gal 6:(1-6), 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Call To Worship

All are welcome here. Whether you are heavy-hearted, wondering if there is power to make you well, or feel weighed down by many demands, The kingdom of God has come near. Whether you are burdened by rules others have imposed or you are a keeper and maker of rules, The kingdom of God has come near. Whether you feel at home in this place or you long to be accepted, The kingdom of God has come near. Come and worship God, the One who writes our names in the book of life and dares us to become new creations in Jesus. The kingdom of God has come near.

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, Fountain of all blessing and grace: we confess there are times when we look at our work, at our accomplishments, with prideful ambition as if we were the source of our abilities and gifts. At other times, we look at our efforts with disgust and regret, as if your gifts in us are not enough. Forgive our pride and our despair, Holy God. Renew in us a humble trust in your guiding hand and a hope that your grace is sufficient for every step. Give us the courage to begin again, to jump into a new start with you and one another.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of endings and beginnings, we thank you for always starting anew with us. When we find ourselves at our wits' end, at the end of our rope, at the end of our patience, or even at the end of our hope, you are there. You find us and bring us into your new beginning, again and again. Thank you for being our hope and our rock. Through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

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**July 13**

**Scriptures to read and meditate on:** Amos 7:7-17; Ps 82; Col 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

## **Call To Worship**

God sets a plumb line among us, calling us to justice, truth, and right living. We come to listen and to learn, to walk in the way of the Lord. Christ calls us to love our neighbor— not only in word, but in action and mercy. We come seeking to be like the Good Samaritan, to show compassion where others pass by. Let us worship the God of justice and grace, who calls us to love boldly and live faithfully. Let us worship the God whose truth is marching on.

## **Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, often our lives do not measure up to your standards. We build lives that seem straight but when you hold your plumb line against it we see that our lives are crooked, and unleveled. We pray for our enemy's destruction, but not their salvation. We allow the outcast to remain exiled, instead of inviting them in. We accept those who look and act like us, but reject those who do not. We take what is not ours, and keep what is ours. Free us from our selfish ways, so that You may prosper Your Kingdom on Earth.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Great God in Heaven, you remind us to focus our ability on first loving you. Then, you urge us to reflect that love toward our neighbor. We desire to be the modern day "Good Samaritan." Create anew in our hearts a burning desire to care for your children. Encourage us to follow the caring ways that Jesus taught. Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us. Multiply our tithes and offerings, so that acts of tolerance and hospitality are extended through our ministry, to all of your children. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

# JULY WORSHIP

**July 20**

**Scriptures to read and meditate on:** Amos 8:1-12; Ps 52 or 82; Col 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

## **Call To Worship**

Come, people of God, In a world filled with noise and distraction, God calls us to listen—to hunger for His Word, to sit at the feet of Christ and choose what matters most. We come to hear, to seek, to be still. We come to hunger for justice and to thirst for truth. The Lord sets a plumb line in our midst— calling us back to alignment with His ways. Not in busyness, but in presence. Not in appearances, but in faithfulness. Teach us, O Lord, to live by Your wisdom, to see with Your eyes, to walk in Your ways. Be Thou our vision, O Lord of our hearts.

## **Prayer of Confession**

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You and our neighbors. We have trampled the needy and neglected the poor. We have harmed Your creation and chosen greed over generosity. We've hidden behind dishonesty and rushed through life, preferring busyness to Your presence. We have received Your gifts with little thanks, and sought our own glory over Yours. Forgive us, Lord. Renew us by Your grace, that we may seek Your Kingdom and serve others for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Generous God, we thank You for every good gift. Receive these offerings, and use them to sow justice, mercy, and compassion in a weary world. May we give not out of duty, but from hearts centered on Christ— listening, loving, and serving as He taught us. In His name we pray, Amen.

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July 27

Scriptures to read and meditate on: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Ps 77:1-2, 11-20; Gal 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

Call To Worship

God's justice calls to us — to stand for the vulnerable, to speak for the voiceless. We gather to seek God's mercy and to learn how to live with bold compassion. Like Abraham, we come with open hearts, asking God to move in our lives and our world. We come ready to listen, to pray, and to serve, trusting in God's steadfast love.

Come, let us worship the God of justice and mercy together. Great is the Lord and worthy of praise!

Prayer of Confession

Merciful and just God, You are patient with us, even when we are slow to do what is right. Like Abraham, we come before You and plead not only for ourselves, but for our world— a world in need of mercy, justice, and transformation. We confess that we have not always stood up for what is right. We have ignored the suffering of the innocent and stayed silent when we should have spoken. We have allowed injustice to persist out of fear, indifference, or convenience. Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have lacked the courage to intercede for others. Create in us hearts that seek Your justice and hands that do Your work. Renew us with the boldness to stand in the gap for our neighbors, and the humility to rely on Your mercy, not our merit.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gracious and merciful God, we thank you for your patience and steadfast love—for hearing our prayers even when we falter, and for inviting us into relationship through honest conversation. We offer these gifts with humble hearts, asking that you use them to bring justice, mercy, and compassion into our world. May our giving reflect your abundant grace and our desire to serve others faithfully. Transform our lives and our offerings so that your will is done on earth as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Psalm 84 Word Search

Just for fun, or use as a teaching aide with your younger family members.

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Find the **56 bold** words or phrases in Psalm 84

How **lovely** is your **dwelling** place, O Lord of hosts! My **soul** longs, **indeed** it **faints**, for the **courts** of the Lord; my **heart** and my **flesh** sing for **joy** to the **living God**. Even the **sparrow** finds a **home** and the **swallow** a **nest** for **herself**, where she may lay **her young**, at your **altars**, O Lord of hosts, my **King** and my God. **Happy** are those who **live in your house**, ever **singing** your **praise**.

Selah

Happy are those whose **strength** is in you, in whose heart are the **highways** to **Zion**. As they go through the **valley of Baca**, they make it a **place of springs**; the **early rain** also covers it with **pools**. They go from **strength to strength**; the **God of gods** will be seen in Zion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my **prayer**; give **ear**,

O God of Jacob!

Selah

Behold our shield, O God; look on the **face** of your **anointed**. For a **day in your courts** is better than a **thousand elsewhere**. I would **rather** be a **doorkeeper** in the **house** of my God than **live in the tents** of **wickedness**. For the **Lord God is a sun** and **shield**; he **bestows favor** and **honor**. No **good thing** does the Lord **withhold** from those who **walk uprightly**.

O Lord of hosts, happy is **everyone** who **trusts in you**.

Verona Food Pantry

This list is a guide line, any item you can give is welcomed.
Drop off at the office before the end of the month.

January - cereal and instant oatmeal cups
February - peanut butter and jelly jars
March - canned milk and dry milk powder
April - Mac n Cheese
May - canned meats and fish
June - canned fruit, fruit snacks and fruit cups
July - canned or boxed soup and soup cups
August - cereal bars / granola bars
September - peanut butter
October - canned pasta and pasta cups
November - anything thanksgiving
December - paper goods and personal hygiene items

In addition to the above list we are collecting Kleenex, Lysol wipes and hand sanitizer for the teachers and kids at AR Ware Elementary.

The following list was shared by a food bank volunteer.

There are some excellent suggestions if you are ever unsure what to give, or if you see these items on sale. Fresh items should be taken directly to the food pantry.

1. Everyone donates Kraft Mac & Cheese in the box, but it needs milk & butter which is hard to get from food banks.
2. Boxed Milk is a treasure. Kids need it for cereal, which they get a lot of.
3. Everyone donates pasta sauce & spaghetti noodles.
4. Canned Foods should be Pop Tops OR donate Can Openers.
5. Oil is a luxury needed for Rice a Roni which they get a lot of.
6. Spices, Salt & Pepper are a real gift.
7. Tea bags & Coffee are caring gifts.
8. Sugar & Flour are treats.
9. Important are fresh produce donated by farmers & grocery stores.
10. Seeds are great in spring & summer because growing can be easy for some.
11. Rarely is there fresh meat.
12. Tuna & Crackers make a good lunch.
13. Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without ground beef.
14. They get lots of peanut butter and jelly but NEED sandwich bread.
15. Butter or Margarine are good.
16. Eggs are a commodity!
17. Cake mix & Frosting makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake.
18. Dishwashing Detergent is very expensive & is always appreciated.
19. Feminine hygiene products are a luxury & women will cry over them.
20. Everyone loves Stove Top Stuffing.



MOVIE NIGHT



July 18 @ 6-8pm

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

JULY 25
6 - 8 PM



EVERY MONTH, WE ARE COLLECTING TISSUES, HAND SANITIZER AND DISINFECTING WIPES FOR THE STUDENTS AND TEACHERS AT WARE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

drop off Sunday morning,
or note your donation
'school wipes'

name brand
and
store brand
accepted



wipes must be
ready to use
not spray bottles



Ice Cream social – July 20 after service

