

A photograph of a woman in a field of golden wheat, her hands raised in prayer. The scene is backlit, creating a soft, ethereal glow. The woman is positioned in the center, slightly to the left, with her arms raised towards the sky. The wheat stalks are in sharp focus in the foreground and background, framing the woman. The overall mood is peaceful and spiritual. The text 'Shaped by Prayer' is overlaid in the center of the image.

Shaped by  
**Prayer**

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. We extend a special welcome to our guests.

**F**or Children: We have trained nursery staff (paid nursery attendant as well as adult volunteers) for ages 0-4. The nursery is located on the first floor outside of the Community Room. (Accessible by the stairs from the Church Street Entrance or via the elevator). Children ages 5 and above are invited to stay and worship with their families. Children's programs, books, and crayons are located in the rear of the sanctuary near the welcome table.



**H**ymn selections can be found in the black hymnals in the pew racks or printed in the bulletin. If you are visiting and did not stop at the welcome desk in the downstairs lobby please stop by after the service they would love to meet you or, please feel free to reach out to someone sitting near you and ask them questions about the service or church. Many of our visitors ask us about the time of offering. This is a time in our service when we respond to God's gifts of love by offering the gifts of our lives. For many of us, this is when we make a financial gift towards the ministries and programs of our church. We also use this time to ask God how we might use the gifts of our hands and hearts in sharing God's love. If you are visiting, there is no obligation to give a financial gift. We are just glad you are worshipping with us. At this time, we are taking offering at the end of the service. Plates for offering will be placed at the doors as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you.

**W**e ask that you please silence your cell phones during our worship service. We also ask that you refrain from applause after our choirs sing and allow the music to resonate in the quiet of the sanctuary and in your hearts. Our musicians are playing and singing for the glory of God. They know you appreciate their efforts and their gift.

Rest rooms (equipped with changing stations) are located on the first floor of the church building and outside the Community Room and the Nursery.

**T**here is much information about the church in this bulletin and our website: [www.erucc.org](http://www.erucc.org).

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**EVANGELICAL REFORMED CHURCH**

**United Church of Christ**

- An Open and Affirming Congregation -

July 24, 2022

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am

The numbered hymns are from The New Century Hymnal

\*All who are able may stand

**Chimes Concert** at 10:00 am from Trinity Chapel's steeple

**Greetings and Announcements**

**Prelude**

Ann Thompson, guest organist

**\*Call to Worship**

We gather to rejoice in the Holy One.

**Revive us, O God, make us alive in Christ!**

We assemble as people called to community by and with the Redeemer.

**Restore us, O God, make us alive in Christ!**

We come open to the possibilities made new by the Creator.

**Revive us, O God, make us alive in Christ!**

**\*Opening Prayer**

**Compassionate One, your love sustains us, molds us, and empowers us.  
May we dwell in that love as you dwell in us—faithfully, joyfully, and  
abundantly. Renew us as your people grounded in you and flourishing  
with you. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn** *Renew Your Church*

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**\*Call to Confession**

1 Re - new your church, its min - is - tries re - store: both to serve  
 2 Teach us your word, re - veal its truth di - vine; on our path  
 3 Teach us to pray, for you are ev - er near; your still voice  
 4 Teach us to love, with strength of heart and mind, each and all—

and a - dore. Make us a - gain as salt through-out the land,  
 let it shine. Tell of your works, your might - y acts of grace;  
 let us hear. Our souls are rest - less till they rest in you;  
 hu - man-kind! Break down old walls of prej - u - dice and hate;

and as light from a stand. 'Mid som - ber shad - ows  
 from each page show your face. As you have sent your  
 this is life, full and true. Be - fore your pres - ence  
 leave us not to our fate. As you have loved and

of the night, where greed and ha - tred spread their blight, O  
 Christ to save, in love to tri - umph o'er the grave, O  
 keep us still that we may find for us your will And  
 given your life to end hos - til - i - ty and strife, Your



### **\*Prayer of Confession**

**Just God, we sense your anger at the injustice that thrives in the world. We share your grief at the discord that rages among your children, the rejection of those who bear your image, and the oppression of those you know by name. We turn toward you for strength and guidance to turn away from the norms of this world, the lure of self-righteousness, and the appeal of comfort over justice. Embolden us to believe that another world is possible and empower us to participate in its creation. Amen.**

### **\*Assurance of Pardon**

The One who is holy and righteous makes us holy and righteous. We are participants, heirs, and co-creators of new life found in the redemptive love of Jesus Christ and in the realm of the Holy One which has no end. In this, grace abounds and liberates us to new mornings, new mercies, and new life.

### **Thought for the Day**

#### **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 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, for ever. Amen.**

### **\*Hymn *Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire***

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### **The Scripture**

Colossians 2: 6–19      NT page 200

Luke 11:1–13            NT page 72

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

All:            **Thanks be to God.**

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| <p>1 Prayer is the soul's sin-cere de-sire,<br/>ut-tered or un-ex-pressed;<br/>The mo-tion of a hid-den fire<br/>that trem-bles in the breast.</p> <p>2 Prayer is the sim-plest form of speech<br/>that in-fant lips can try;<br/>Prayer, the sub-lim-est strains that reach<br/>the Maj-es-ty so nigh.</p> | <p>3 Prayer is the con-trite sin-ner's voice,<br/>turn-ing from thought-less ways,<br/>While an-gels in their songs re-joice<br/>and cry, "Be-hold, one prays!"</p> <p>4 No prayers do hu-mans make a-lone;<br/>the Ho-ly Spir-it pleads,<br/>And Je-sus on the e-ter-nal throne<br/>for sin-ners in-ter-cedes.</p> <p>5 O Christ, by whom we come to God,<br/>the Life, the Truth, the Way,<br/>The path of prayer you too have trod:<br/>Christ, teach us how to pray.</p> |
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## Sermon

## Morning Prayers

## Offering of Tithes, Gifts and Lives to Christ's Service

### Organ Offertory

Ann Thompson, guest organist

### \*Prayer of Dedication

**God our Companion, receive these gifts as seeds to be nurtured and grown into new abundance, more possibilities, and magnifying gifts for your kindom on earth.**

### \*Closing Hymn *O Savior, Let Me Walk with You*

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### \*Benediction

Let us go, revived, as ambassadors of compassion in the world, showing the glory of God, embodying the peace of God, and living the hope of God.  
Amen.

### \**Threefold Amen*

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### Postlude *(please be seated)*

Ann Thompson, guest organist

**Compassion: Service Prayers for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost** were written by Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology, United Church of Christ.

1 O Sav - ior, let me walk with you in earth - ly  
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear  
 3 Teach me your pa - tience; let me be in clos - er,  
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice true; Tell me your se - cret,  
 win - ning word of love. Teach me the way - ward  
 dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith  
 fu - ture's broad - ening way, In peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.  
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.  
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.  
 you can give, with you, O Sav - ior, let me live.



**We welcome The Rev. Rebecca Shillingburg as our guest preacher and Ann Thompson as our guest organist today.**

**The flowers on the altar** this morning are dedicated to the 134 sailors who died on July 29, 1967 off the coast of Vietnam while battling the fire and explosions on the USS FORRESTAL CVA-59. Rest in peace Shipmates! FCCS Milt Crutchley USN RET.

**The yellow rose bud** is presented in remembrance of Corporal Ray A. York, U.S. Army, who was taken Prisoner of War in South Korea on July 25, 1950.

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**Attendance Last Sunday:** 19 at 8:30 am, 82 at 10:30 am, and 63 online.

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### Today: July 24, 2022

Liturgist: Peg Stahler  
Deacons: Betsy Selby, Andrew Beadle  
Elder: Gerry Blessing  
Greeters: Cliff Barr, Kathleen Goebel  
Sue Pinner  
Welcome: Pat Condo, Marj Berkheimer  
Audio/Visual: Jeff Schaeberle, Jeff Baker  
Kelly Esslinger  
Fellowship: Becky and Rodney Martin,  
Pat Dorsz  
Chimers: *Saturday:* Suzanne Morris  
*Sunday:* Kelly Esslinger

### Next Week: July 31, 2022

German Partners  
Mark Ulrich, Darryl Glick  
Peter Brehm  
David Howard, Susan Kulp  
Robert and Nancy Manthey  
Jeanellen Kellevang  
Ethan Kline, Larry Martin  
Jeff Baker  
Julie Clark, Joe Adkins, Quynn  
Dick Williams  
Kelly Esslinger

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## FELLOWSHIP



Please join us for fellowship in the Community Room after worship to chat with friends, welcome our visitors, and enjoy a time of refreshment. The Community Room, located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, is accessible by stairs or elevator.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Worship Next Week**

God's abundant love is the theme in Psalm 107:1–9, 43. Our Gospel lesson is from Luke 12:13–21. When a person comes to Jesus to settle a question about inheritance, Jesus refuses to be drawn into the role of a rabbi settling disputes. Jesus' mission is not to enforce the Law, but to show a new way.

We welcome our friends from Germany to our service this morning.

**Hospital and Prayer List** – Your pastor wants to be available when members of ERUCC are in the hospital. Please let us know so that we can visit with you and your family and provide support. We always ask permission before adding a name to be included in the prayer list or in the verbal announcements on a Sunday morning. There are many for whom we pray and visit whose names are not listed in the bulletin by their request.

**Prayer List** - Please remember the following people in your prayers: Cliff Barr, Mary Ellen Baker, Pat Hevner, David Cooney, Jeannette Johnson, Barbara Rhoads, Starr Schaeberle, Nancy Tordoff (mother of Kim Sexton), Mike Farner (friend of Darryl Glick and Mark Ulrich), Jackie Keyser (sister-in-law of Betsy and Phil Selby), Tamara Tamas, Patti Patterson, Barbara Lee Crutchley (sister of Milt Crutchley), Marcy Channell (daughter of JoAnn Fritz), Mack Johnson, Paige Coffey, Jane Doll, Westin (great nephew of Sandy Gray & Danielle Carbone), Peggy Githerman, Jeannette Johnson, Emogene Wyand, Fran Wenner, Neremiah Castillo (niece of Andrew Beadle), Bonnie Devilbiss, Maria Csiba (mother of Tamara Tamas), Betsy Fisher, James "Jimmy" Sutphin (friend of Dan Smith), The McCarty family, Nikki Keller, Tina Prescott (daughter in law of Barbara and Bill Prescott), Mary Remsberg, Heleen (sister of Karin Mens), Kathy Blue Shores (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Gretchen Manuel (niece of Audrey Rayfield), Ann and Cal Theiss (parents of Katharine Alley), Debra Reedy (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser).

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### **STAY INFORMED**

Read our Trinity Chimes monthly newsletter for more information about ERUCC activities, opportunities, and updates. You can find the Trinity Chimes in the back of the sanctuary and online at [bit.ly/July22Chimes](http://bit.ly/July22Chimes).

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, Thursday Thoughts, or Trinity Chimes, please send to [erucc@erucc.org](mailto:erucc@erucc.org).

## Sunday Education Opportunities for Adults

### **BIBLE STUDY CLASS with Reverends John & Rebecca Shillingburg**

This class is on hiatus in July.

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#### **LET'S TALK**

**Community Room**

**9:30 – 10:15 am**

**Today: Frederick and ERUCC History!** ERUCC has been creating community since 1748. Join Bud Rossig for a tour of Trinity Chapel with great stories about Frederick through the ages. From the chimes to the secret stained-glass window to the town clock and steeple, Trinity Chapel is brimming with Frederick history. Don't miss this opportunity to tour with one of our best church historians. Meet in the community room at 9:30 to join the tour.

**Next Week: Grappling with our Challenging History.** The ERUCC youth and our German partners will report on their trip to Memphis and the Freedom Journey program as well as lessons learned while traveling together bridging language and cultural barriers.

### **This Week at ERUCC**

#### **ERUCC BOOK GROUP**

**Tuesday, July 26**

*Contact Pam Shepp for more information*

**Liz Coffey Room / Zoom**

**7:00 pm**

*The Last Chance Library* by Freya Sampson

Read a book synopsis in Trinity Chimes at [bit.ly/July22Chimes](http://bit.ly/July22Chimes).

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### **BUILDING THE BELOVED COMMUNITY - ERUCC/ALTMARK PARTNERSHIP**

On Tuesday, July 19, eighteen youth and six adults arrived from our partner congregations in the Altmark region of Germany. Our friends will be with us in worship on July 31 and following the service, everyone is invited to an All-American Thanksgiving Dinner. Your monetary and food gifts are very much appreciated.

#### **ALL-AMERICAN THANKSGIVING WITH OUR GERMAN GUESTS**

**Sunday, July 31**

**Community Room**

**during Fellowship**

Help us say goodbye to our German guests with an All-American Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, July 31, during fellowship. Turkey/tofurkey, gravy and mashed potatoes provided. Bring one or more of your family's traditional sides or desserts to share. Please bring an index card listing all ingredients. Potluck sign up: [bit.ly/0731food](http://bit.ly/0731food)

Can you help by setting up, serving, or cleaning up? [bit.ly/0731help](http://bit.ly/0731help)

## Upcoming at ERUCC

### **ERUCC YOUTH – HELP WITH SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**

**Wednesday, August 3**

**Frederick Stake**

**8:00 am – 3:00 pm**

Join Pastor Daniel at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints as we sort through school supplies to be shared with young people attending schools in the City of Frederick. Come for an hour or two or the entire time. Please let Pastor Daniel know if you are able to come. This can count as service hours for school and or Scouts.

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### **GREEN TEAM – COMMUNITY GARDEN**

**Select dates through August 6**

**8:00 – 10:00 am**

Help in the Community Garden near the Frederick News Post building on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings. Get some fresh air and exercise, enjoy the company of other volunteers, and help get food to folks in our community who need access to fresh vegetables.

Sign up: [bit.ly/3LtuBBc](http://bit.ly/3LtuBBc)

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### **WORK DAY AT THE CHURCH**

**Saturday, August 6**

**8:00 am – 4:00 pm**

Come and help with painting, cleaning, moving things, and who knows what. Owen York and members of the Property Committee will be on hand to organize and supervise your activities. Youth welcome! These hours can count as service hours for school and or Scouts.

Please contact Owen York, [owenjyork@gmail.com](mailto:owenjyork@gmail.com), if you can help.

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### **INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT ERUCC?**

If you are interested in learning more about ERUCC, the United Church of Christ, and what it means to be a church member, we hope you join us at one of the following opportunities:

**Sunday, August 7**

**Community Room**

**11:45 am – 12:45 pm**

**Sunday, August 21**

**Zoom**

**7:00 – 8:00 pm**

Zoom: [bit.ly/ER0821](http://bit.ly/ER0821)

Meeting ID: 824 9521 1145

Passcode: 343455

We will be receiving new members into the church on Sunday, August 28 at the 10:30 am service. Thanks to our newer friends and guests for your participation in the life of ERUCC and for the joy you bring us.

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### **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

Calling all students, teachers, bus drivers, school employees, and administrators! Bring the tools of your trade for Blessing of the Backpacks during the 10:30 am service on Sunday, August 7.

## Additional Announcements

### SUMMER COINS FOR A CAUSE



The Coins for a Cause collection through August will be shared with The Frederick Center, a 501c3 organization that serves the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) communities. Since its inception in 2012, The Frederick Center has grown into a well-respected organization advocating and supporting our community which now proudly bolsters over 500 program events each year. They are leaders in advocacy and education. They have an HIV test kit distribution program, and over eight support groups open to the public.

Coins for A Cause is a program of ERUCC's Mission and Social Action Committee to support organizations that make a difference locally that are not supported in our annual budget. Donations can be placed in the jars at the back of the sanctuary near the collection plates.

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### ADVOCATES FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, September 19

Clustered Spires Golf Club



All proceeds will benefit Frederick County homeless individuals and families with children. All golfers receive a light breakfast, lunch, use of practice facilities, and 18 holes of golf. Lunch will be served after the tournament, followed by raffle drawing, door prize drawings, and individual and team prizes. \$125 per golfer. Sponsorship opportunities are also available.

To register, please go to [www.ahfgolf.com](http://www.ahfgolf.com) before August 19, 2022. For questions, please contact: Ken Allread, Executive Director, 301-662-2003 or [kallread@afh88.org](mailto:kallread@afh88.org).

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Those interested in securing their final resting place here at ERUCC should contact the committee by email at [columbarium@erucc.org](mailto:columbarium@erucc.org) or calling the office at 301-662-2762.

**\$10,000 Top-tier Leadership niche (12"x12")**

**\$5,000 Standard niche (8"x8")**

Each niche accommodates two urns.



## Opportunities to Use Your Gifts at ERUCC

### FELLOWSHIP

Consider helping with Fellowship! It's a great way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, births, or baptisms with your church family. We all want to celebrate your joy. Helping with fellowship can be as easy as helping set up before worship, helping to serve during Fellowship after service, or bringing a special treat to share.

Contact Laura Rhoderick or Starr Schaeberle, or sign up to share your gifts of hospitality at [bit.ly/ERUCC\\_fellowship](https://bit.ly/ERUCC_fellowship).

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### EVENT HOSPITALITY AND SUPPORT



Please consider giving your time as we extend ERUCC's hospitality to the community of people using our spaces for their milestone life events, business meetings, and community gatherings. In supporting at these events, you are helping to fulfill our mission to do good work in Frederick and beyond. Many opportunities to serve in this ministry may only involve a few hours of your time and are often very fulfilling to support.

To help with upcoming events, contact Pastor Daniel or the church office, 301.662.2762, [events@erucc.org](mailto:events@erucc.org), or sign up on the bulletin board or online: [bit.ly/ERUCC\\_events\\_help](https://bit.ly/ERUCC_events_help).

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## Shaped By Prayer

### The Lord's Prayer

The disciples pleaded with Jesus to teach them how to pray. And in response, he gave them the prayer we find at the beginning of Luke 11. The disciples said the words aloud and to themselves, over and over, until they memorized them and could say them anywhere and anytime.

We usually think of the prayer we call The Lord's Prayer or The Prayer of our Savior as words we say together, in worship. Many of us in the United Church of Christ have said this prayer so often and for so long, that it may be the only prayer we know by heart. The good news is that the prayer Jesus gave us does not have to stay within the walls of the church building. We can carry it in our hearts and minds out into the world, wherever we may go.

As you go about your week, try this. Try making this a portable prayer. How does it change the prayer for you, to recite these words under a tree, at the sideline of a sporting event, before eating a meal at a restaurant, when you make a decision large or small, as you sit down to pay your monthly bills, while going to sleep, or while waking up?

The prayer of our Savior does not merely have to be a Sunday prayer, reserved for the one hour we sit together in pews and speak these words together almost without thinking. This prayer can be a hymn of gratitude, a shout of delight, a murmur for help, a plea for forgiveness, and a way to bring the Holy One close in any situation.

Make The Lord's Prayer your companion, and you may find that you are able to recognize the kin-dom that is always arriving and is always already right here, wherever you may be.

