



Welcome!
We're glad to see you!

August 16, 2026

Prelude #812

O Save Me, God, and Hear My Cry vs. 1

Evan O'Donovan

Welcome

Reverend Ed Hoener

Call To Worship:

Loving God, throughout our lives you meet us with generosity and grace. **We thank you for every way you help us grow into a meaningful and purposeful life.** We come to you, always, to regain our balance and receive your deep peace. **In you we find the resources we need for living a life that is faithful and fulfilling.**

***Hymn of Praise #619**

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Reconciliation:

O God, we come to you for renewal and restoration. You work to heal us, and to help us make progress in both our spiritual and daily lives. Deepen our awareness of your presence and power, which provides the capacity to follow Christ, and to do his will. Amen.

Silent Prayers

Assurance of Grace:

Grace and peace come to us from the One who loves us, and always believes in our potential. **Following Jesus, we experience growth in spirit and truth.**

***Response of Praise #456**

Listen, God Is Calling

vs. 3

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The peace of Christ heals and soothes our souls. **We are called to share Christ's peace and love.** The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

Scripture Reading

Psalm 71:17-22

Ministry of Music #838

Standing on the Promises vss. 1, 2 & 4

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Scripture Reading

2 Tim. 1:3-7; 2:1-7

A Time for Reflecting and Responding

***Hymn of Faith #450**

Be Thou My Vision

*If you can stand comfortably, please do so.

Celebrating Passion Enterprises

Sharing what God has done in each other's lives is a source of encouragement, and reminds us that faith, and prayer and grace are at work! Please come to the lectern and share your testimony so that everyone may see and hear.

Prayer Requests

Please come forward to share your request so all may hear.

Prayers of the People

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, forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

***Offering Song #710**

We are an Offering

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours, we are
an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You,
we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we
are an offering, we are an offering.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

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***Hymn of Response #700**

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

Charge and Blessing

Postlude #747

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Evan O'Donovan

**If you can stand comfortably, please do so.*

Announcements

Thank you to Cheryl Anne Cammann for running the projector!

Join our Worship Support Team! For more information; ask the pastor or the technicians or call the church office.

Coffee Hour

We want to thank Sue and Cliff for providing coffee hour today. Linda Anderson is providing it on Aug. 23. **We need someone for August 30th.** There is a sign-up sheet for the Sunday(s) you'd like to host on the food table in Davis Hall.

Chair Yoga Has Returned

The next session is Tuesday, August 18th at 9:00 a.m. in Davis Hall. **Please note: There will be NO Thursday evening sessions during the summer.**

"The Chosen" is on Hold

Season 6 isn't available until mid-November, so our sessions are on hold until November 20. You can take this opportunity to catch up on the other seasons to join us in November for Season 6 (hint, hint).



Online Donations

PRAYER PERSON OF THE WEEK

Daniel DeLuca

PRAYER REQUESTS

Bobby's family, Joan Pender & family, Doris, Patricia H., Fran, Paul, Matthew W. & family, Eunice, Barbra & Dave, William S., Abisiji B., Damilola B., Rosemary B., Bob M., Doug A., Patrick W., Michele P., Louise & Teddy, Barbara, Agnes N. & family, Savannah B. & family, Becky, John, Sam, Michael, Sara & Joan P., Mary "Cookie" F., Nicole, Allison, Mary R., Helen, Logan, Harper, Helene & Diane, Dorothy R., Amy

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A Time for Reflecting and Responding

How can we make more opportunities to connect as a Church family? Ideas?

What am I and/or my family willing to do?

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