PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAY READER for today is Linda Schaller.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Sandy Rydell.

THE FLOWERS this week are given by Keith Karkut in memory of deceased family and friends.

GREETER for today is Judy Schreck.

Church Elders

Sharon Laverdure Ellie Buff
Sandra Rydell Judy Schreck Jim Hall
Phil Lawrence Debbie Prince Lisa Swanson

Church Staff

Nicole Vogel	Pastor
Jen Carmella	Secretary
Linda Schaller	Music Director
Sami Carmella	Nursery Attendant
Keith Karkut	Technology/Sexton

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today ~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.

~ Fellowship hour in the lounge, following worship

Wednesday ~ Walk & Talk, 1:00

Saturday ~ Pool Party at the Denny's house, 2:00-6:00 p.m.

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July 30, 2023
Service for the Lord's Day
All Services are Live-Streamed

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "What a Friend" ARR. FAYE LOPEZ

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: I waited patiently for the Lord.

P: He turned to me and heard my cry.

L: He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire.

P: He set my feet on a rock and gave my feet a firm place to stand.

L: He put a new song in my mouth,

P: A hymn of praise to our God.

L: Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord.

ALL: Let us worship his name!

*HYMN NO. 31 "Let Us with a Gladsome Mind"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Thank You, Lord God, for the opportunity of worship, for the freedom to be amongst Your family meeting together in Your house, and in the warmth of Your embrace. Thank You that, in worship, we can put aside the uncertainties of this world and rest upon the certainties of the Kingdom. Thank You that we can bring to Your feet all the hurts and fears that trouble us, and leave them there, knowing that Your strength and assurance are all that we require. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we, too often, live in fear. Fear drives our self-preservation, our self-centered decisions, and prevents us from comprehending the wonder of Your presence among us. We confess that our sinfulness gives us fear and keeps us from pursuing Your will. We live with ideas of safety and failure that do not make room for Your call to set our lives aside for Your sake. Jesus promises to be with us, so we ask to be strengthened by Your Spirit to step out of our comfort and into His arms. Forgive us for our shortcomings and free us to follow You.

☐ Moment for Silent Reflection **☐**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

(Pg. 581 in red hymnal)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end, amen. Amen.

*THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you!

P: And also with you!

SPECIAL MUSIC "You Are My All in All/Fairest Lord Jesus"
Vocal Duet: Carole Emery & MaryAnne Gilbert

ARR. LARRY SHACKLEY

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 16 (Pg. 495)

NEW TESTAMENT John 10:10-14 (Pg. 103)

EPISTLE 1 Timothy 6:13-19 (Pg. 210)

L: Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON "Matters of The Mind" Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 463 "How Firm a Foundation"

SENDING

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

HYMN NO. 846 "Fight the Good Fight"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Since I Have Been Redeemed" ARR. MARY MCDONALD

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