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 Callie Falzone.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Michael Delaney, Bianca Nava and Mano Miller.

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this week are Bill and Sue Ellis and Walter and Wendy Emery.

THE FLOWERS are given this week by Linda Schaller in honor of the great congregation of ESPC.

Church Staff

DEACON of the month is Linda Schaller.

Pastor Secretary Music Director Sexton Nursery Attendant

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

<u>Today</u> ~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.

Nicole Vogel

Jen Carmella

Bob Lee

Linda Schaller

Sami Carmella

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July 11, 2021 Service for the Lord's Day

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Draw Me Nearer"

ARR. WILLIAM RINGHAM

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The goodness of God has called us here! **P: We are recipients of God's gracious love.**

L: Though we have not always done what is right in God's sight;

P: Yet God is merciful and forgiving.

L: Open your hearts and spirits to the refreshing love of God.

P: Help us, O Lord, to live joyfully and peacefully in your sight. AMEN.

*HYMN NO.435 "There

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the resurrection, we gather this morning as a community of believers. We come with joy to greet one another and share, again and again, the amazing news of Your death and resurrection that set us free from our sin. May our singing, praying, listening and proclaiming be a testimony to the power of Your love to make us a new creation as a community of faith. Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, it has been a difficult week. Things have happened for which we were not prepared. We have not responded to difficulties with love, but rather with impatience. We have turned our backs on others in need, placing our creature comforts first. We have been stressed, pulled, pushed, tossed. Help us to slow down so we can remember to live as Your forgiven people. Remind us that having received such love, we are to love and serve others. Teach us to pray for courage and strength. In Christ's Name, we offer this prayer. AMEN

& Moment for Silent Reflection **%**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN NO. 21 (in insert)

"He Has Made Me Glad"

NEW TESTAMENT

Colossians 2:6-14 (Pg. 200)

L: Word of God for the people of God **P: Thanks be to God**

SERMON	"Living As Forgiven People"	Pastor Nicki
HYMN NO. (on insert)	"And Can it Be That I Should Gain"?	verses 1, 3, 5
	SENDING	
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.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE WORD

POSTLUDE

"Stand Up"

ARR. CAROL TORNQUIST