

# WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Please join us after the service for Hospitality Time in Criswell Hall

## This week's activities:

Mon. 6:00pm Gerry's Quilt Class, Criswell Hall  
Tue. 9:00am Senior Exercise, Criswell Hall  
Tue. 10:00am Sew 'n Sews, McMillen Room  
Tue. 11:00am Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall  
Tue. 1:00pm Adult Bible Study, Criswell Hall  
Tue. 1:30pm Finance Library  
Tue. 5:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Hand Bell Rm. #115 **SUSPENDED until AUG 21**  
Wed. 9:00am Church work morning, everyone is invited  
Wed. 2:00pm Church Council McMillen Room  
Wed. 6:30pm Daughters of Grace Circle McMillen Room  
Thu. 9:00am Senior Exercise, Criswell Hall  
Thu. 10:30am Staff Parish Pastor's Office  
Thu. 11:00am Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall  
Thu. 3:30am Children's Chair Yoga, Criswell Hall  
Thu. 5:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Hand Bell Room, **SUSPENDED UNTIL AUG 21**  
Thu. 6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary **SUSPENDED UNTIL AUGUST 28**  
Fri. 11:00am Nominations Committee Pastor's Office  
Sun. 8:30am Informal Worship Service with Praise Band  
Sun. 10:30am Traditional Worship Service

## Upcoming Events:

Sun. Aug. 31 Free Movie Night, "Penguin Lessons" 4PM **NEW**  
Fri. Sept. 12 Loofa Farm Tour, Carpool Church at 10:10  
Sat. Sept. 13 Women's Tea and Fashion show 11:30-1:30  
Sat. Sept. 20 North District Young People's Academy 9:00-3:00 details forthcoming  
Sat. Sept. 27 Harvest Festival Parade  
Sun. Sept 28 Free Movie Night 4PM  
Mon. Sept. 29 People's Kitchen Food Prep 1:30, Kitchen  
Tues. Sept. 30 People's Kitchen Food Distribution 11AM carpool from church  
Sat. Oct. 4 St. Francis Day - Blessing of the Animals  
Sat. Oct. 18 Tour of the Price House, 10:30  
Sun. Oct. 26 Alternative Christmas  
Fri-Sun. Nov.7-9 Christmas Boutique  
Sat. Nov. 15 Turtle & Tortoise Rescue, Carpool from church at 10:45  
Thu. Dec. 18 Children's Center Christmas Program  
Mon. Dec. 29 People's Kitchen Food Prep 1:30, Kitchen  
Tues. Dec. 30 People's Kitchen Food Distribution 11AM carpool from church



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August , 17, 2025 **TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** 10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Lowell Mason

\*INTROIT Lord, I Lift Your Name on High TFWS #2024

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, for the sake of the joy, we gather...

**We gather to worship, to encounter grace, to grow in faith.**

For the sake of the joy, we proclaim...

**We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, the love of God that surrounds us and forms us into a community marked by love for God, self, neighbor, and all creation.**

For the sake of the joy, we respond...

**We respond with our lives, ready to embody our faith as agents of God's already-and-not-yet kingdom.**

For the sake of the joy, God sends us...

**God sends us into the world to meet our neighbors with the defiant joy and persevering love of the gospel today and every day.**

Come, let us worship the Triune God who dwells with us as we gather, proclaim, respond, and go forth from this place.

**Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing No. 400

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING PRAYER

**Glorious God, we thank you for the cloud of witnesses, the multitude of the faithful of all ages, who surround us. Considering their example, and looking to Jesus, may we run the race of life faithfully. Encourage us, that we may not grow weary or fainthearted. Help us accept your gentle discipline, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Carolyn Russell

**O God, we thank you for blessing us with the gift of children.  
May they learn the stories of Jesus. May we share their joy. Amen.**

A TIME OF PRAYER

Call to Prayer	Spirit of the Living God	No. 393
Prayer/Lord’s Prayer		
Response	Spirit of the Living God	No. 393

SCRIPTURE Luke 12:49-56

HYMN Take My Life , and Let it Be No. 399

SERMON How To Get Leftout! Father Ken Kaisch

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission		
Offertory	“Count Your Blessings”	Edwin Excell
*Doxology/Prayer of Dedication		

\*CLOSING HYMN Be Thou My Vision No. 451

\*BENEDICTION

**Into a world of plenty, we go to speak charity,  
Into a world of pain, we go to speak healing,  
Into a world of hunger, we go to feed,  
Into a world of need, we go to bring the good news and abundance of our  
Savior,so we go now,  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
descend upon us, and rest with us  
today and forever more,  
Amen.**

\*RESPONSE Lord, I Lift Your Name on High TFWS #2088

POSTLUDE “How Majestic Is Your Name” Michael Smith

**\*Please stand as able.**

**Assisting in today's service** Pastor: Rev. Wesley Thompson,  
Guest Father Ken Kaisch, Liturgist: Michelle Richardson, Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler, Organist: Brad Bettencourt,

Luke 12:49-56

**Jesus the Cause of Division**

**49** “I came to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already kindled! **50** I have a baptism to receive, and how distressed I am until it is over! **51** Do you suppose that I came to bring peace to the world? No, not peace, but division. **52** From now on a family of five will be divided, three against two and two against three. **53** Fathers will be against their sons, and sons against their fathers; mothers will be against their daughters, and daughters against their mothers; mothers-in-law will be against their daughters-in-law, and daughters-in-law against their mothers-in-law.”

**Understanding the Time**

**54** Jesus said also to the people, “When you see a cloud coming up in the west, at once you say that it is going to rain—and it does. **55** And when you feel the south wind blowing, you say that it is going to get hot—and it does. **56** Hypocrites! You can look at the earth and the sky and predict the weather; why, then, don't you know the meaning of this present time?”

**HOSPITALITY: Today hosted by Finance  
August 24th will be hosted by Nominating Committee**

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>							
<b>WEEK</b>	<b>8:30</b>	<b>10:30</b>	<b>IN- PERSON</b>	<b>VIDEO</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>STEWARDSHIP</b>	
<i>July 20</i>	43	47	90	33	123	\$5,155	
<i>July 27</i>	41	55	96	44	140	\$2,155	
<i>Aug 03</i>	39	61	100	18	118	\$6,732	
<i>Aug 10</i>	50	54	104	0	104	\$7,369	
<b>Weekly offering needed: \$6,231</b>							
<b>YTD Received: \$36,853</b>					<b>YTD Budgeted: \$37,386</b>		
<b>Texas Flood Victims \$1,230</b>							