

BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Sunday 27 July 2025

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

ENTRANCE

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Announcements (*To help us connect, please sign the attendance pad in your pew*)

*Greeting**:
Let us hear the word of the Lord,
For God speaks peace to the people.
Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,
And grant us your salvation. (Psalm 85)

*Praise Choruses: 2234 "Lead on, O Cloud of Presence"
2169 "God, How Can We Forgive"

*Opening Prayer**:
**Almighty God, who hears our prayers
and whose love redeems:
Make us cast aside our own evils with our whole hearts,
that at the coming of your Son we may be enabled
to receive the good things that he offers,
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who in glory with you and the Holy Spirit
is above all things and in all things. Amen.**

*Opening Hymn: 139 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination: 601: "Thy Word Is a Lamp"

First Lesson: Hosea 1:2-10

Psalter: 806 Psalm 85

Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6-19

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*Hymn of Preparation: 496 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

*Gospel Lesson : Luke 11 :1-13

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith: 888: Affirmation from 1 Corinthians
15:1-6 and Colossians 1:15-20

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

*Children's Timr

*The Peace: Let us offer one another
signs of reconciliation and love.
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

Invitation: As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer
ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offering/Offertory

*Doxology" 95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Thanksgiving**:
Gracious God, we your children come knocking
at the door of your temple
asking for the bread of life.
**We are heartily sorry for our sins
and seek to turn back to you once more.
This day we ask that you save us and those we love
from the time of trial.
In all things, and for all whom we lift up to you,
let your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
We wholly and joyfully offer ourselves
and our gifts to you,
thanking you in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

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*The Lord's Prayer: 895

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn: 130 "God Will Take Care of You"

*Blessing: May the God of hope fill you
with all joy and peace in believing,
**so that you may abound in hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**
(Romans 15:13)

*Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude

*Going Forth

*Indicates the people standing, if able and willing

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