

August 3rd, 2025 8th after Pentecost.

Women of Summer: Abigail

Thought to ponder: *Then David said to Abigail...
I have heeded your voice, and I have granted your
petition.* - 1 Samuel 25: 35

Welcome

Announcements, Life & Work of the Church

Prelude: MV #169

When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides

Passing the Peace:

One: May the peace of Christ be with you
all.

All: And also with you.

Acknowledgement of the Territories:

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

Call to Worship:

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is
good!

**All: God's faithful love endures
forever.**

One: God gives us the gifts and people we
need to help us on our journey.

**All: God has blessed us in ways too
numerous to count.**

One: Praise the Lord for God's steadfast
love is great!

**All: Let us praise the Lord! Let us
worship God.**

Hymn: MV #221***I Am Walking a Path of Peace***

**I am walking a path of peace,
 I am walking a path of peace,
 I am walking a path of peace,
 Lead me home, Lead me home.**

**I am walking a path of faith,
 I am walking a path of faith,
 I am walking a path of faith,
 Lead me home, Lead me home.**

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Gathering Prayer:

**God of justice and joy, as we gather to
 worship, may we join our spirits,
 together to praise your faithful love
 and many blessings in our lives. Help
 us find within us a growing sense
 of courage and compassion to meet
 the challenges that life brings to us.
 Fill us with your love and encourage us
 to live faithfully and with a sense of
 true hospitality towards all your
 children and wider creation. Amen.**

Time for Young at Heart:

More than just a pretty face

A Blessing is offered:

**Samantha Corcoran
 Daniel Carmichael
 Lisa Folkins**

Hymn: O Great Earth

**O Great Earth
 so green and blue,
 This is the promise
 that I'll make to you:
 To care for your _ _ _
 For _ _ _ can hear
 The rhythm of your heartbeat.**

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Prayer of Illumination:**Scripture:**

1 Samuel 25: 2-6 Nabal refuses David's request

1 Samuel 25: 14-42 Abigail rights a wrong

Reflection: Abigail:

Definitely more than a pretty face

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 trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass
 against us; and lead us not into
 temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the
 power, and the glory, for ever and
 ever. Amen.**

Invitation to Generosity:

Prayer of Dedication:

**God of Abundant love, we bring you
our gifts in gratitude for your
generosity. Bless and multiply these
gifts, so that they can spread your
goodness in the world and touch lives
of those in need. Amen.**

Hymn: MV #169

When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides

**When hands reach out beyond divides
And hope is truly found,
Each chain of hate will fall away
And bells of peace shall sound,
And bells of peace,
of peace shall sound
And bells of peace shall sound
Each chain of hate will fall away
And bells of peace shall sound.**

**When fear no longer guides our steps
And days of war are done,
God's dream for all shall live anew;
Our hearts will heal as one
Our hearts will heal, will heal as one,
God's dream for all shall live anew
Our hearts will heal as one.**

**When race and creed blind us no more,
 A neighbour's face we'll see,
 And we shall dance
 the whole world round,
 For love will set us free,
 For love, yes love will set us free,
 For love will set us free,
 And we shall dance
 the whole world round,
 For love will set us free.**

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Benediction:

Sung Benediction: My Peace

**My peace I give unto you.
 It's a peace
 that the world cannot give.
 It's a peace
 that the world cannot understand.
 Peace to know, Peace to live.
 My peace I give unto you.**

**My love I give unto you.
 It's a love that the world cannot give.
 It's a love
 that the world cannot understand.
 Love to know, Love to live.
 My love I give unto you.**



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Announcements

August 3rd, 2025 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Reader for this week: Brenda

Reader for next week: Al

Greeter this week: Donna Adair

Greeter next week: Gordon and Karen

Tellers this week: Bonnie and Shirley

Tellers next week: Susan and Lori

A/V this week: Lisa

A/V next week: Al

Sunday

9:30 Coffee Time via Zoom

10:00 Sunday Service -

Next Sunday

9:30 Coffee Time via Zoom

10:00 Service -

Linnea Good: This event has been cancelled.

Put it on your calendar: **October 26. The NATIONAL PREMIERE of Vivaldi's Four Seasons transposed for four part choral voices. 2pm at St. Paul's Sussex.**

If you have any reusable shopping bags that you have accumulated and no longer require or wonder what to do with them, please bring them into the church so we can get them to the Salvation Army, or take them there directly. Thank you for your continued support.

Good News and Caring Corner: If you have some good news you want shared with the congregation, let us know and we'll pass it on. If there is someone you think should have a card from the caring corner for whatever reason, please see the attendant in the corner, or call the office.

Offering Envelopes are available at the office or on the table in the entryway. If you are using them for the first time, be sure to have your name and address on the first one so we can get you your tax receipt at the end of the year.

Grocery Cards: We will be available (as we are able) before and after church for you to purchase cards and cards are available for purchase in the office during regular business hours.

Contact information: Please keep your contact information and addresses updated so we can get information out to you. An inaccurate address may lead to delays for tax receipts. Thanks.

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If you know of anyone needing help, please contact the office or Rev. Jenn Brown.