

June 14, 2026  
The Third Sunday after Pentecost  
10:00 a.m. Worship in the Fellowship Hall



DONEGAL  
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CHURCH

*founded prior to 1721*

*“Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue  
with shouts of joy...”*

Psalm 126:2 NRSV

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## ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE “Ridgecrest” *Joseph Martin*  
*“As the prelude begins, please observe a time of quietness in preparation for worship.”*

### Gathering in God’s Name

WELCOME

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

We lift up our souls to you, Holy God.

**We trust the Lord with our past, present and future.**

Teach us, Lord, that we may know your ways.

**Guide our every move, Holy One, that we may walk in your  
paths of love and mercy.**

Let us worship, the One who leads us in what is right.

**Together, let us worship God!**

\*HYMN “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” #688

1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;  
wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;  
stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art;  
and make me love Thee as I ought to love.
2. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,  
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,  
no angel visitant, no opening skies;  
but take the dimness of my soul away.
3. Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King;  
all, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?  
I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling.  
O let me seek thee, and O let me find.
4. Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh;  
teach me the struggles of the soul to bear.  
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh,  
teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.
5. Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,  
one holy passion filling all my frame;

the baptism of the heaven descended Dove,  
my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

\*CONFESSION & PARDON

**We praise you, Lord, as we gather before you with varied thoughts and purposes. Some of us are impatient, and we seek immediate results to our prayers. Some of us are doubtful, and we seek further proof of your spiritual power. Some of us are too busy, and we fail to take time to listen for you to speak to us. Some of us are disobedient, and we fail to follow in the way of discipleship. With all of our varied backgrounds, we come into your presence; forgive our ways that are not in accordance with your plans and hopes for us.**  
*(Silent Confession)*

In Christ's name we pray...

**Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF PARDON

\*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

#581

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.

**Proclaiming God's Word**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

TIME FOR CHILDREN

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7

**18** The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mam're, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup>He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup>Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on – since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds

and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There in the tent." <sup>10</sup>Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' <sup>14</sup>Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time, I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." <sup>15</sup>But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes you did laugh."

**21** The LORD dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah as he had promised. <sup>2</sup>Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. <sup>3</sup>Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. <sup>4</sup>And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. <sup>5</sup>Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. <sup>6</sup>Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me." <sup>7</sup>And she said, "Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalms 116:1-2, 12-19

<sup>1</sup> I love the LORD, because he  
has heard  
my voice and my supplications.  
<sup>2</sup> Because he inclined his ear  
to me,  
therefore I will call on him  
as long as I live.  
<sup>12</sup> What shall I return to the  
LORD

13 for all his bounty to me?  
 I will lift up the cup of Salvation  
     and call on the name of the  
     LORD  
 14 I will pay my vows to the  
     LORD  
 in the presence of all his people.  
 15 Precious in the sight of the  
     LORD  
 is the death of his faithful ones.  
 16 O LORD, I am your servant;  
     I am your servant, the  
     child of your serving girl.  
     You have loosed my bonds.  
 17 I will offer to you a  
     thanksgiving sacrifice  
 and call on the name of the  
     LORD.  
 18 I will pay my vows to the  
     LORD  
 in the presence of all his people,  
 19 in the courts of the house of  
     the LORD, in your midst,  
     O Jerusalem.  
 Praise the LORD!

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM                      "O Lord, I Pray"                      *arr. B. Michaels*

GOSPEL LESSON                      Matthew 9:35-10:15

**9**        <sup>35</sup>Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in  
 their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom,  
 and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the  
 crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and  
 helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his  
 disciples, "*The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the  
 Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.*"

**10**        Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them  
 authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every

disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve  
 apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew;  
 James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Phillip and  
 Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector, James son of  
 Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot,  
 the one who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions:  
*"Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go  
 rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, proclaim the good news,  
 The kingdom of heaven has come near. <sup>8</sup>Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the  
 lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.  
<sup>9</sup>Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, <sup>10</sup>no bag for your journey, or two  
 tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. <sup>11</sup>Whatever town or  
 village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. <sup>12</sup>As  
 you enter the house, greet it. <sup>13</sup>If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it;  
 but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. <sup>14</sup>If anyone will not welcome  
 you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that  
 house or town. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom  
 and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town."*

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Flag Day"

Steve Sturgis

### Responding to God's Word

\*HYMN

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

#724

1. O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
 be thou forever near me, My Master and my Friend;  
 I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,  
 nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my Guide.
2. O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;  
 I see the sights that dazzle; the tempting sounds I hear.  
 My foes are ever near me, around me and within;  
 but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.
3. O let me hear thee speaking, in accents clear and still,  
 above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;  
 O speak to reassure me, to hasten, or control;  
 O speak, and make me listen, thou Guardian of my soul.

4. O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee  
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be.  
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (traditional "debts") hymnal p. 35

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"  
*Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord,  
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.*

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Jesus Loves Even Me" *P. Bliss*

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION #606

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.

**Sending in God's Name**

\*HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story" #462

1. I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do. R
- R: I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.
2. I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. R
3. I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. R

\*BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE "Lord Let Us Now Depart in Peace"  
*George Whelpton*

POSTLUDE "The Parting Glass" *Irish Folksong*

*\*All those who are able may stand.*

**Reflection for the Christian Life**

Genesis 18:1-15 highlights God's faithfulness to His promises  
even when circumstances seem beyond hope. Have you ever found it  
hard to trust one of God's promises? Why?

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **TODAY Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, Third Sunday After Pentecost / Flag Day**
- **TODAY Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, ONE SERVICE** ~ Traditional Worship in the Fellowship Hall w/Steve Sturgis Leading Worship, 10:00 a.m.
- **Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, DOT** ~ Columbia Dream Center, Children's Lunch Prep, 8:00 a.m.
- **Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Boy Scouts Troop 53
- **Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Pastor Matt Returns from Vacation
- **Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**, DOT Meeting, in the Conference Room, 5:15 p.m.
- **Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**, Men's Breakfast, Gus's Keystone Restaurant, 7:00 a.m.
- **Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**, Meeting of the Session, in the Conference Room, 7:00 p.m.
- **Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**
- **Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, ONE SERVICE** ~ Traditional Worship

in the Fellowship Hall, with the Ladies of the Choir singing the Anthem, 10:00 a.m.



### Planned Giving—An Easy Way to Give Later

Planned gifts, such as including the Church in your will or trust, allow you to support ministry without affecting your current financial security or monthly income. A simple way to make a lasting impact.



**Sunday June 7th (*Heritage Sunday*)** our summer worship schedule will begin.

We will be observing ***ONE SERVICE*** through **September 13th (*Rally Sunday /Church Picnic*)**.

There will be no children's Sunday school throughout the summer.

***Below is the current summer schedule.***

Sunday 06/21/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 06/28/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 07/05/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 07/12/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 07/19/2026	9:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 07/26/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday 08/02/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 08/09/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 08/16/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 09/23/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 09/30/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 09/06/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 09/13/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Sanctuary

**(Please note:** The 9 a.m. start time on July 19th is correct. Our mission trip departs for northern New York that Sunday.)

