

August 16, 2026
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 a.m. Worship in the Fellowship Hall



“He said to her, “*Daughter, your faith has made you well;
go in peace, and be healed of your disease.*”
Mark 5:34 NRSV

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Sending in God's Name

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE “Cornerstone” *arr: P. Keveren*
“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

MINUTE FOR MISSION Bethena Haser, Friends of Donegal

CALL TO WORSHIP (*@The Iona Community; adapted from the Iona Abbey*)

The God of heaven has made a home on earth,
Christ dwells among us and is one with us.
The highest in all creation lives among the least,
Christ journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.
Come now all who thirst
and drink the water of life.
Come now all who hunger
and be filled with good things.
Come now all who seek
and be warmed by the fire of God's unceasing love.

*HYMN “Here in This Place” #401

1) *Here in this place the new light is streaming;
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken;
we shall arise at the sound of our name.*

2) *We are the young, our lives are a mystery.
We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;
gather us in, the proud and the strong;*

*give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;
give us the courage to enter the song.*

*3) Here we will take the wine and the water;
here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion;
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.*

*4) Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away:
here in this place the new light is shining;
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.*

*REMEMBERING OUR FAULTS AND FAILINGS

(@The Iona Community; adapted from the Iona Abbey)

Holy God, Maker of All

Have mercy on us.

Jesus Christ, Servant of the Poor

Have mercy on us.

Holy Spirit, Breath of Life

Have mercy on us.

Let us in silence remember our own faults and failings.

(Silent Confession)

I confess to God and in the company of all God's people that my
life and the life of the world are broken by my sin.

**May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit
enable you to grow in love.**

Amen.

We confess to God and in the company of all God's people

that our lives and the life of the world are broken by our sin.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable
you to grow in love.

Amen.

*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.*

Proclaiming God's Word

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER LESSON

Psalms 150

NRSV

¹Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty firmament!

²**Praise him for his mighty deeds;**

praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

³Praise him with trumpet sound;

praise him with lute and harp!

⁴**Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings
and pipe!**

⁵Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing
cymbals!

⁶**Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!**

Praise the LORD!

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC "When Peace Like a River" *Bliss/ Althouse*
A. Smith, flute and D. Dezort, organ

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 5:25-34

NRSV

²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from
hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much

under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “*Who touched my clothes?*” ³¹And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, “*Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.*”

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Even the Toughest of Stains...” Ruthann Dwyer

Responding to God's Word

*HYMN “Heaven Shall Not Wait” #733

1. *Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their patience,
the scorned to smile, the despised to find a friend:
Jesus is Lord; he has championed the unwanted;
in him in justice confronts its timely end.*
2. *Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their fortunes,
the proud to fall, the elite to tend the least:
Jesus is Lord; He has shown the master's privilege:
to kneel and wash servants' feet before they end.*
3. *Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great ideas,
thoughts of compassion divorced from cries of pain:
Jesus is Lord; he has married word and action;
his cross and company make his purpose plain.*

4. *Heaven shall not wait for triumphant Hallelujahs,
when earth has passed and we reach another shore:
Jesus is Lord in our present imperfection;
his power and his love are for now and then for evermore.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of love,

Hear our prayer.

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 “Your Name” P. Baloché & G. Packiam

*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.*

*HYMN “Amazing Grace” #649

1. *Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that save a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.*
2. *'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.*
3. *Through manly dangers toils and snares,
I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.*
4. *The Lord has promised good to me;
His word my hope secures.*

*He will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.*

5. *When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
then when we'd first begun.*

*BENEDICTION

*EXTENSION OF PEACE

The peace of our Lord and Savior go with you all.
And also with you.

POSTLUDE "Whom Shall I Fear" C. Tomlin, E. Cash, S. Cash

**All those who are able may stand.*

Reflection for the Christian Life

Can you think of times when you have been considered "unclean" or when you considered others to be "unclean"? What does the story in Mark 5 say to you about societal and cultural norms of human behavior and the wideness of God's mercy and love? When do you wish that things would be "the way they used to be"? What changes in norms are you grateful for? What is God's still small voice saying to you?

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **TODAY Sunday, August 16th, Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**
- **TODAY Sunday, August 16th**, Adult Sunday School, in the Conference Room, 9:00 a.m.
- **TODAY Sunday, August 16th**, Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary with Ruthann Dwyer Leading Worship, 10:00 a.m.
- **Monday, August 17th**, DOT~ Columbia Dream Center, Children's Lunch Prep, 8:00 a.m.
- **Monday, August 17th**, Boy Scouts Troop 53

- **Tuesday, August 18th**, Donegal Outreach Team (DOT) Meeting, in the Conference Room, 5:15 p.m.
- **Wednesday, August 19th**, Men's Breakfast, Gus's Keystone Restaurant, 7:00 a.m.
- **Saturday, August 22nd**, DOT ~ Servants Inc Workday, 8:00 a.m.
- **Sunday, August 23rd**, Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
- **Sunday, August 23rd**, Adult Sunday School, in the Conference Room, 9:00 a.m.
- **Sunday, August 23rd**, **ONE SERVICE** ~ Traditional Worship, in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m.



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

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

Below is the current summer schedule.

Sunday 08/16/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 08/23/2026	10:00 a.m. Service in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday 08/30/2026	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

