

† Please stand as you are able. The congregation may join in by reciting **the words in bold.**

Prayer and Attendance Cards: we ask that you please fill out one of these cards in the pews to help us take attendance.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming the Trinity

Call to Worship—Psalm 89 (*the Message*)

Your love, God, is my song, and I'll sing it!

I'm forever telling everyone how faithful you are.

I'll never quit telling the story of your love—

how you built the cosmos and guaranteed everything in it.

Your love has always been our lives' foundation,

your fidelity has been the roof over our world.

God! Let the cosmos praise your wonderful ways,

the choir of holy angels sing anthems to your faithful ways!

Search high and low, scan skies and land,

you'll find nothing and no one quite like God.

The holy angels are in awe before him;

God-of-the-Angel-Armies, who is like you, powerful and faithful from every angle?

You put the arrogant ocean in its place

and calm its waves when they turn unruly.

You own the cosmos—you made everything in it,

everything from atom to archangel.

The Right and Justice are the roots of your rule;

Love and Truth are its fruits.

You have been so good to us—

All we are and have we owe to God!

Opening Prayer

We give thanks to You, Lord our Shepherd, for You go ahead of us, behind us, and are with us to provide for us what we need. Please give us this day our daily bread, and You know better than we do what that is. Wherever there is sickness and brokenness, we are bold to pray for healing. Bring us back to wholeness and to our senses: with You, one another, ourselves, and the creation. Amen.

† *Opening Hymn*

“Welcome”

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The children ages 0-4 may proceed to the nursery after this song

Prayer for Illumination

Good Shepherd, You lead us down right paths for your Name's sake, and Your Word is a lamp unto our feet. Illumine our minds and hearts. Give us ears to hear, and a sound mind to discern a Living Word for us today. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 23

Herb Schwarze

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Leader: this is the word of God for us the people of God, **thanks be to God!**

Litany of Confession

Healing Lord, we confess that we have desired You to forgive our sins, while we held grudges. **Forgive us.**

We confess we ask you to heal our wounds, while we remained unwilling to offer a healing or helping hand to others. **Forgive us.**

We have desired for You to feed us, while we been selfish.

All: Forgive us, Lord. May the forgiveness and healing You bring into our lives lead us to share Your love, forgiveness, and gifts with others. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Friends, even though our love failed, God's love never fails and wants receive us, giving us a new start, as we turn away from ways of death and harm towards ways of life and love. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People (to leader): In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God! Amen.

† *Peace of Christ*

At this time, you may greet your neighbor with signs of peace.

Offering and Hymn

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

TFWS 2213

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† *The Doxology* (to the tune on UMH 95)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures high and low.

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit One.
Amen.**

Dedicating our gifts to God



Sermon "Does God Heal?" Rev. Adam Benson

†*Hymn of Response* "Christ, the Healer" UMH 265

Prayers of the People
Our response after each petition will be: *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

†*Closing Hymn* "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" UMH 384

†*Dismissal with Blessing*

†*Chiming the Trinity*

†*Postlude*

Upcoming events:

Today, July 21 @ 11:45 AM: the youth will meet following worship for ice cream for lunch at Coldstone Creamery, then come back for a short video, and discussion. We will end at 1:15 PM.

This Saturday, July 27 @ 10:30-12 PM: Ice Cream Social "Get to You're your Neighbor," catered by the Two Roosters (this is a church and community-wide event)

Sunday, July 28 @ 5-7 PM: we will have a youth Board and Video Game Night. Anyone is invited to come, bring a board game to share/teach, and play!

Get to Know Your Neighbor



Ice Cream Social
Saturday, July 27
10:30 am - Noon

Join your Parkwood neighbors for some delicious ice cream and conversation.



We will also have lawn games set up to continue the neighborhood fun!



Parkwood United Methodist Church



"The Sick Awaiting the Passage of Jesus," by James Tissot, between 1886 and 1894, publicly available on Wikimedia commons

Does God Heal?

Sunday, July 21, 2024 • 8th Sunday after Pentecost