

*Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

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Second Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 4:12-16

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12 Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. 13 Until I arrive, give attention to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. 14 Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. 15 Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. 16 Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers.

Sermon: “David: Leadership”

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

(Gluten Free Communion kits are available in the vestibules)

Invitation

Words of Institution

Distribution and Partaking of the Elements

*The elders will be distributing the bread and the juice.
Please partake of the elements at any time, as you feel led.*

SENDING

*Closing Hymn: #338 - “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies” MATERNA CMD

*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

*Benediction Response: 11:00 am—“Go Now in Peace”

Don Besig

Postlude: “Fantasia on AMERICA”

Hymntune AMERICA

Jim Moore, Organist

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Sara Kaczmarek, Spiritual Growth Assistant

William Bennett—Director of Music

Jim Moore—Organist

Chancel Choir

Liturgists: 8:45 am—Kristi Selander 11:00 am—Colin Martin

Elder-in-Charge: 8:45 am—Jade Hill 11:00 am—Hunter Harris

Ushers: 8:45 am—Pat Tolbert, Julie McCormick, Tony & Claudette Young

11:00 am—Jay Johnson, Shawn Blunt, Skip & Rosanne Fetters

Flowers—The flowers are given to the glory of God by Betty Cowen in honor of her family and Independence Day.

Sermon Series: The summer sermon series is entitled “3 Kings.” We will look at the beginnings of Israel’s monarchy as we examine events from the reigns of Saul, David, and Solomon. Each Sunday, there is an accompanying New Testament text that highlights a theme in each story. Read along to get the full story, which is found in 1 Samuel 9-31, 2 Samuel, and 1 Kings 1-11. We’ll be looking at both familiar and lesser known stories and will see how God continues to work despite the flaws of his anointed. Watch for the times the Holy Spirit shows up, as well as the importance of prayer and obedience in each man’s reign.

The Litany for Independence Day was written by Rick Morley, and posted on the **Rick Morley** blog. <http://www.rickmorley.com/archives/1673>



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WELCOME

We welcome you to worship this morning! Please fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the offering. A map of our campus is available in the pew racks. If you are a guest with us, we invite you to Lanneau Hall following the service to visit the Welcome Center. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

Children and Nursery—Nursery is available in Room 203. We offer two nurseries, one for ages 0-2 years and the other for ages 3-4 year-olds. We kindly ask that children 5 and above not be dropped off in the nursery. Please ask an usher for a pew pal to help occupy your child during the worship service. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Murphy at summervillepresnursery@gmail.com

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SERMON SERIES
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“But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.””

1 Samuel 16:7

**6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE**

Sunday, July 5, 2026

GATHERING

Please prepare your hearts for worship during the prelude.
“Be still, and know that I am God.” Psalm 46:10

Prelude: “How Firm a Foundation” American Folk Melody
Jim Moore, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

***Call to Worship:**
Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people he chose for his inheritance.
**The Lord looks down from heaven;
he sees all humankind.**
Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,
**Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in You.**

***Opening Hymn:** #337 - “My Country Tis of Thee” AMERICA

***Independence Day Litany:** (w/ excerpts from “God of the Ages”)

As we remember the birth of our nation, and the gifts of life,
liberty and the pursuit of happiness, let us offer our thanks and
prayers to God, the giver of all good gifts.

*God of the ages, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.*

For the brave women and men who braved the long journey by
sea to come to this new world,
We thank you Lord.

For the tribes and nations who inhabited this land
for generation upon generation,
We thank you Lord.

For the men and women who laid the foundation of our
democracy, and who pledged liberty and justice for all,
We thank you Lord.

For those who built this country brick by brick,
road by road, and town by town,
We thank you Lord.

For the brave soldiers who have fought for our country,
for all who paid for our freedom by their service,
and those who paid by their sacrifice,
We thank you Lord.

For the innovators and artists, poets and teachers,
farmers and factory workers;
for all who labor and provide for the common good,
We thank you Lord.

For this land, with its peaks and valleys,
coasts and deserts, fields and meadows,
We thank you Lord.

Lord, we pray for The United States,
that we might always be a nation which defends and promotes
liberty and freedom, truth and justice.

We pray to you Lord.
That we might always be a nation where all are free to worship and
pray,
We pray to you Lord.

That we might be a beacon of freedom
to all those who live under the shadow of terror and hopelessness,
We pray to you Lord.

That those who are elected to govern and lead
would be guided by You,
and be ever aware of the trust that has been given them,
We pray to you Lord.

That we would be a people who repent from our sins,
and who always return to You and to Your grace,
We pray to you Lord.

Gracious God, Father of all nations,
increase in us Your grace and compassion,
and our offerings of thanks to You,
our rock and our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Thy love divine hath led us in the past.
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay:
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.*

***Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

***Passing the Peace**

Please introduce yourself as you pass the peace of Christ.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Church Family Moment Sara Kaczmariski

Prayer of Illumination:
Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light
we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will dis-
cover peace; through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

*The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have
rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and
set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided
for myself a king among his sons.” 2 Samuel said, “How can I go? If
Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the Lord said, “Take a heifer
with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ 3 Invite Jesse
to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do, and you shall
anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” 4 Samuel did what
the Lord commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city
came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?”
5 He said, “Peaceably. I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify
yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified
Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.*

*6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely his
anointed is now before the Lord.” 7 But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do
not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I
have rejected him, for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look
on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.”
8 Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. He
said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this one.” 9 Then Jesse made
Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the Lord chosen this
one.” 10 Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and
Samuel said to Jesse, “The Lord has not chosen any of these.”
11 Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There
remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel
said to Jesse, “Send and bring him, for we will not sit down until he
comes here.” 12 He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and
had beautiful eyes and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and
anoint him, for this is the one.” 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil
and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the spirit of
the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel
then set out and went to Ramah.*

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

Musical Offering: “God Bless America” Keith Christopher
8:45 am—William Bennett, Solo
11:00 am—Chancel Choir