

**August 31, 2025**

## *Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

**Musician:** Laurie Helmers

**Worship Leader:** Anita Milburn

*\*Please stand in body and spirit*

### **Gathering**

### **Welcome & Announcements**

**Call to Worship++** (Jeremiah 2, Psalm 81)

**\*Opening Hymn** "Rock of Ages" (UMH 361)

**Time of Centering** (Jeremiah 2, Psalm 81)

**Call to Confession+**

**Prayer of Confession+**

**Declaration of Forgiveness+**

**Message for the Children**

**Prayer for Illumination+**

**The Lesson** (Luke 14:1, 7-14)

### **The Message**

**Prayers of Intercession+**

Leader: "Lord of mercy;"

People: "Hear our prayer."

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn** "Sweet Hour of Prayer" (UMH 496)

**Invitation to the Offering+**

**Offering**

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving+**

**Benediction++** (Jeremiah 2, Psalm 81)

**\*Closing Hymn** "The Old Rugged Cross" (UMH 504)

**Postlude**

**Going Forth!**

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## SUMC CALENDAR

**Sunday, August 31:** 8:30-9am Coffee & Fellowship; 9-10am Worship

**Monday, September 1:** 9am-noon Office Open – Laura

**Wednesday, September 3:** 4-7pm Farmers Market @ SUMC

**Thursday, September 4:** 9am-noon Office Open – Sarah; 6-8pm Racine Food Shelf

**Sunday, September 7:** 9-10am Worship

## SUMC NOTES

Support our ministry through online offering! Simply scan the QR code to give securely and conveniently. Thank you for your generosity!



*Starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, coffee and fellowship will be held prior to worship from 8:30-9am. A snack, water, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate will be provided. This gathering will resume to its normal time, following worship, in September.*

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FLOURISHING in Community



When  
*you give a feast,*  
invite the poor, the crippled,  
the lame, the blind,  
*and you will be blessed.*

Luke 14:13-14, ESV

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