



First United Methodist Church Graham, NC

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*Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 18, 2021*

LOVE the Lord **GOD**
with all your heart, your mind,
your soul, your **strength** &
your **NEIGHBOR** as yourself.
Luke 10:27

Our Mission

To make disciples for Jesus Christ through love and service

Our Vision

A loving and diverse community meeting the real needs of our neighbors through spirit-filled worship, intergenerational discipleship, and caring service

Come, Let Us Worship the Lord

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Gathering

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

As the Deer

arr. Doran

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of the Sabbath, hear our prayer. It is hard for us to stop working, and harder still to stop worshipping work. We confess that our busy-ness often substitutes for our holiness. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to be still enough to know you. Help us to understand that your sabbath is the seam between the world of work and the work of worship. Help us to know that the sabbath is what keeps us from unraveling, that it knits up the harried and makes them holy, that it even helps to heal creation from the crash. In this quiet, peaceful time, we honor you, we rest in you, we long to know you as maker and mender. Through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

(U. Meth. Hymnal #277)

Proclamation and Response

SHARING FAITH WITH ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(United Methodist Hymnal, p. 39, ¶s 14-16)

Cameron, Jackie, and Emily Murray

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(United Methodist Hymnal #895)

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION

Take Time to Be Holy
Chancel Choir

arr. Mercer

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;
abide in Him always, and feed on His Word.
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak,
forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
spend much time in secret with Jesus alone.
By looking to Jesus, like Him thou shalt be;
thy friends, in thy conduct, His likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let Him be thy guide;
and run not before Him, whatever betide;
in joy or in sorrow, still follow thy Lord,
and looking to Jesus, Still trust in His Word.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

[Mark 6: 30-32](#)

Linda Fogleman

SERMON

Pastor Claire

Sending Forth

*CLOSING HYMN

Near to the Heart of God

(U. Meth. Hymnal #472)

*BLESSING

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE

Lead on, O King Eternal

arr. DeCou

**Please stand if you are able.*