

Worship on the Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 7, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor
Organist Diane Dawson Dexter

Prelude “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” William Whiting

Welcome Dr. Anderson

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 48)

We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in your temple.

Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.

Your right hand is filled with victory.

We will tell the next generation that you reign forever and ever.

From everlasting to everlasting, you are Lord.

You, O God, will be our guide forever.

Hymn 145 “Morning Has Broken”

Prayer of Confession

Faithful God, we worship you with grateful hearts, for you have brought us from death to life! We are awed that you gave your beloved Son Jesus for our salvation. We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart and soul, we have not loved you with all our mind and strength, and we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to make amends, and direct who we shall become through the power of your abiding Spirit. We pray in the name of Jesus, our risen Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Psalm 124:1-4

New Testament 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Sermon “Seventh Heaven” Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Musical Interlude Played by Pianist Harrison Gesser

Offertory “This Is My Song” Jean Sibelius

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Most gracious God, thank you for providing for our needs. Help us to share your kindness every day. By your Spirit, may our church’s ministries bring hope and new life to our neighbors. We dedicate our gifts in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord’s Supper

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(Prayer continues.) ... Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(Prayer continues.) ... Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayers of the Church and the Lord’s Prayer (*trespasses*)

Sharing of the Elements and Prayer After Communion

Hymn 159 “Lift High the Cross”

Benediction

Dr. Anderson

Postlude “The Battle Hymn of the Republic”

Announcements

Sunday, July 7 8:00 a.m. **Beach Church** at Dock Beach
9:00 – 9:45 a.m. **Big God, Big Questions** at Union Chapel
10:00 – 11:00 a.m. **Worship and Fellowship** here and online

Tuesday, July 9 **Meeting of the Board of Trustees**
9:30 a.m. in the Parlor and online

Wednesday, July 10 **Bible Study** 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Join us in the Parlor to learn more about the saying of Jesus:
“I Am the Bread of Life.” (Knowing God’s Satisfaction, p. 25 - 37).

Thursday, July 11 **Moms and Tots** 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Drop by and share in refreshments, play time, and conversation.

Friday, July 12 at 7:00 p.m. – Saturday, July 13 at 7:00 a.m.
Movie Marathon Lock In
This is a family-friendly event for those aged 12 and older who are fans of Christian author J.R.R. Tolkien’s books *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*. We will watch the films directed by Peter Jackson. This event includes dinner, snacks, and breakfast.

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“Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here.”



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