LISBON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH August 3, 2025 Kingdomtide 8

PRELUDE and TIME OF QUIET REFLECTION

WORDS OF GREETING

A Time of Praise

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks and sing of God's mercy and grace.

PEOPLE: We sing of God's amazing love.

Leader: Rejoice and offer praise, for Christ is here.

PEOPLE: We worship the One who lives. *Leader:* Walk in the light; live in God's love.

PEOPLE: Redeemed and reclaimed, we worship the God

of mercy and grace.

*OPENING HYMN I Sing the Almighty Power of God # 152

UNISON PRAYER Beckoning God, you call your people from the north and the south, the east and the west. You long to gather us from the places we have wandered into a community of love and justice. Open our eyes, that we may recognize your presence among us, and surround ourselves with your steadfast love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 107

830

Act of Confession and Pardon

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION God of grace and glory,

you know our times of weakness – when we have not reflected your glory, when we have rejected your grace, when we have doubted your presence in our lives. Hear our cries of remorse. Shine upon us with the light of your mercy, that we may see your presence ever more clearly. Shine radiantly through us, that we may glorify you and reflect the glory of your love flowing through our lives. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: God desires that all may live in fullness of life. When our sins are confessed, God comforts us.

PEOPLE: God longs for all people to come to repentance, that they may see the glory of God revealed in our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Hearing God's Word

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 18.20-30 (pg. 497)

HYMN SING of CONGREGATIONAL FAVORITES

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NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 5.38-48 (pg. 5)

GOSPEL READING Luke 12.13-21 (pg.74)

SERMON Teach Us to Pray: Not Perfect

*HYMN *Sweet Hour of Prayer* (verse two) # 496

Responding To God's Word

A TIME OF PRAYER

Joys and Concerns and Time of Silent Prayer

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer # 895

Prayer Response Lord, Listen to Your Children.... # 2193

RECEIVING OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Offertory and *Doxology # 95

*Prayer of Dedication

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (insert)

*CLOSING HYMN Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah # 127

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*WORDS OF BENEDICTION

Leader: May we know the hope to which Christ is calling us.

PEOPLE: May we walk on the paths to which God is leading us.

Leader: May we grow in the wisdom and truth that God's

Spirit is teaching us.

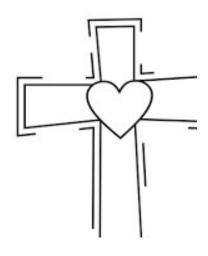
PEOPLE: May we share the love that has transformed our lives in Jesus' name.

*POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Leaders

Monica McCusker, Lay Reader Verne Smith, Video Production Manager Debbie Greim, Organist and Choir Director Rev. Elizabeth J. Bachelder Smith, Pastor

Boldly Caring for our Community



Grounded in God's Love

Lisbon United Methodist Church welcomes, nurtures, and serves all people with the love of Christ.