



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

IDLEWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 19, 2026 | 10:00 A.M.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Bold text is read
by the congregation.**

***Asterisk indicates when to
rise in body or in spirit.**

**Please sign the friendship pad
so we may take note of your
presence and you may greet
your neighbors by name.**



Hymn No. 267: Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.

PRELUDE

AIR

G.F. HANDEL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

THE REVEREND DAVID POWERS

Let us put our trust in God, whose faithfulness is beyond our imagining.

We come to worship, seeking to know God fully.

We bring our joys and sorrows, our certainty and our doubt.

We cannot always see clearly, but God's presence is sure.

Let us come into God's presence with joy and hope.

We come to have our eyes and hearts opened to God's way.

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION No. 267

COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

MADRID

267 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

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The Prayer of Confession is
written by Rev Teri Peterson,
adapted from *A Brief
Statement of Faith*.



*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE REVEREND MARY NEWBERG GALE

Loving God, you created all things good,
yet, we confess, we do not always trust you.

You made us in your image,
yet we rebel against you, we hide from our Creator.

You gave us your word, your promise,
yet we ignore your commandments,
we accept lies as truth,
we exploit neighbor and nature,
we abandon your covenant.

And yet...
You, God, chose us
and you continue to choose us.

You act with mercy and compassion to redeem us again and again.

Forgive our arrogance, forgive our idol-making.
Open our ears to hear your voice, O God.

**Set us free again,
that we might put our hope, our trust, and our faith,
only in you.**

(Silent Confession)

*RESPONSE NO. 279

COME, HOLY, SPIRIT, HEAVENLY DOVE

ST. AGNES

Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, heaven - ly Dove,
with all thy quick - ening powers; kin - dle a flame of
sa - cred love in these cold hearts of ours.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

REV. GALE



Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. We invite you to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.



As children come forward during the gathering hymn, you are invited to pass your quarters to the center aisle for the children to collect for their offering. Quarters are sent to the Doube Presbyterian River School in Liberia.

At this time, three-year-olds to kindergarteners are welcome to proceed to Worship and Wonder with an adult.

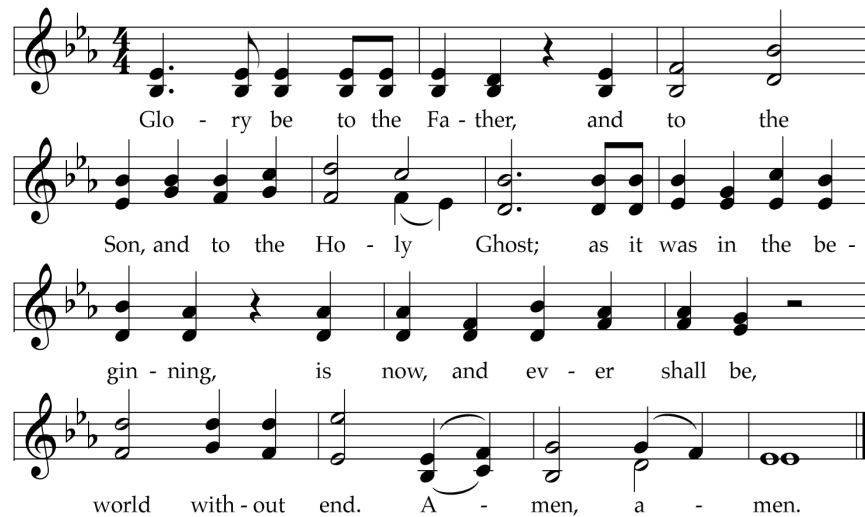


Found on page 827 of the Old Testament in your pew Bible.

*RESPONSE No. 581

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

GLORIA PATRI



*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHARLOTTE SINGLETON

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

HYMN OF GATHERING

CHILD OF BLESSING, CHILD OF PROMISE

STUTTGART

Child of joy, our dearest treasure,	Child of God, your loving Parent,
God's you are, from God you came.	learn to listen for God's call.
Back to God we humbly give you:	Grow to laugh and sing and worship;
live as one who bears Christ's name.	trust and love God more than all.

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

REV. POWERS

SHARING THE LIFE AND MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

REV. POWERS

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

REV. GALE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

DANIEL 6:6-28

SERMON

TELL ME A STORY - DANIEL

SILENT REFLECTION



*The Affirmation of Faith is
from The Book of Common
Worship.*



*During this time, we invite you
to continue your support of the
church and her mission. Online
giving is available through
Realm or through the mail.
Those in the sanctuary may
place their offering in the plate
as it is passed.*



RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

REV. POWERS

This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved,
if we hold it fast:

that Christ died for our sins
according to the scriptures,
that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared
first to the women,
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of the living God.

Jesus Christ is the first and the last,
the beginning and the end;
he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

REV. POWERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS & TITHES

REV. GALE

OFFERTORY

DRAW US IN THE SPIRIT'S TETHER
THE SUMMER CHOIR

UNION SEMINARY

Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for when humbly in your name two or three are met together,
you are in the midst of them. Alleluia! Alleluia! Here we touch your garment's hem.
As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giver
break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! Alleluia! so now bind our friendship up.
All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of you, that by caring, helping, giving,
we may be disciples true. Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.



Hymn No. 683: When first published in 1931, this “All-Day Hymn” (as it was titled) seemed very daring for not using traditional archaic pronouns to address Christ. Current pronouns no longer disturb, but the comforting Jesus portrayed here needs to be balanced by his call to discipleship.

***RESPONSE**

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise Christ all crea - tures
here be - low Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise
Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more Praise Tri - une God whom we a -
dore Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

REV. GALE

SEND IN GOD'S SPIRIT

***HYMN OF SENDING No. 683**

COURTNEY

LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

REV. GALE

***POSTLUDE**

TE DEUM (WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD)

MARC-ANTOINE CHARPENTIER

683 Lord of All Hopefulness



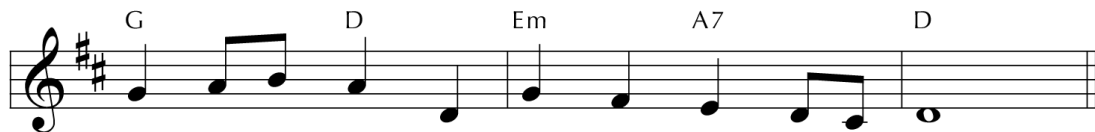
1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy, whose
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith, whose
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, your
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm, whose



trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy: be
 strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be
 hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace: be
 voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm: be



there at our wak - ing and give us, we pray, your
 there at our la - bors and give us, we pray, your
 there at our hom - ing and give us, we pray, your
 there at our sleep - ing and give us, we pray, your



bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
 strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
 love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
 peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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WELCOME NOTICES

Welcome to Idlewild! We are glad to have you join us for worship. If you are new to Idlewild, it is our prayer that you will experience the presence of God while you are here. At Idlewild, it is our hope that all who enter find a home.

Children are always welcome in worship. In addition, childcare for children newborns—3 years is available in the Jones Building in Room 153. Children of all ages are invited to pick up a worship packet in the main hallway that can be utilized to enhance their worship experience. During the sanctuary service there is a special *Time with the Younger Church*. After, children ages 3 years— kindergarten may go to *Worship and Wonder* on the third floor of the Jones building.  **If you would like your child to attend *Worship and Wonder*, registration is required** once each semester by scanning the QR code. Parents pick-up children from *Worship and Wonder* following the conclusion of worship.

New members are received by the Session. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to join the Idlewild family. Connect with a Pastor after worship.

Prayer requests are prayed daily by the Community Prayer Ministry Team and the Confidential Prayer Partners. If your prayers are confidential, you may call (901-487-6062) or submit them by email to confidentialprayers@idlewildchurch.org. Otherwise, you can fill out a Community Prayer Request card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or submit them by email to communityprayer@idlewildchurch.org.

If you have a hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call or text (901) 654-6872. The Pastor on Call will respond as soon as possible. You can also email pastor@idlewildchurch.org.

WORSHIP NOTICES

The sanctuary flowers are given today to the glory of God and in memory of Mike Deaderick from Blanche Deaderick.

Sanctuary flowers are given in honor, celebration, or in appreciation of those we love. We appreciate your generosity in providing flowers to adorn our sanctuary for Sunday services. Make a donation at idlewildchurch.org/flower-dedication.

The 10:00 service is live at youtube.com/@idlewild.church/streams. As always, worship is available by way of the radio on AM560, 96.1FM, or 98.5FM. **Music is printed** under Onelicense.net **A-702280**.

♦ *this week in print* ♦

Adult Ministry

Summer Forums (9 am Sundays - Room 303): On July 26 Dr. Mitzi Minor will be back with us to discuss *The Glorious Freedom of the Children of God*.

The Art of Reading (Tuesdays, 2 pm): Please join us in the Parlor for our weekly meetings as we discuss literature and our world. This month we're continuing our conversation around *Madame Bovary* by Gustave Flaubert. Contact Stephanie Rodda (stephanierodda@gmail.com) for more information!

Tapestry (Sundays, 9 am, Resource Room): Tapestry Circle is meeting in the Resource Room this summer. Explore contemplative practices—lectio, visio, musica, and walking divina—through ancient and contemporary texts. Whether familiar or new, all are welcome to come and learn.

Church-Wide

Parking Lot Project: Beginning the week of July 19, Reconstruction Services, LLC will begin work on the parking lot repavement project. The work will start with the East parking lot and then move to the West parking lot during the week of July 26. The project is expected to be completed by July 31, weather permitting. During this time, Reconstruction Services, LLC will rope off sections of the parking lot as needed to ensure safety and allow the work to be completed efficiently. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Tanjia Wilkerson, Director of Operations, at tanjia@ildewildchurch.org. Thank you for your patience as we continue to make Idlewild a safe and beautiful space for all.



Sign-ups and other relevant links can be found at www.idlewildchurch.org/calendar.

A Vision of Idlewild

Idlewild Presbyterian Church is a community in which ...

Jesus Christ is the center;
the mighty voice of God inspires us to love;
the Spirit joyfully sustains and nurtures seekers of every age,
stage, and circumstance.

Worship forms the core of community life;
prayer binds our brokenness and connects us in Christ's love
to God and to one another;
music, poetry, and art flourish in gratitude to our Creator;
the beauty of creation is treasured and preserved;
all the members of the church are ministers.

The focus is scripture and its meaning for today;
faith is formed and spirits nourished through reflection,
practice and shared learning;
the wisdom of other faith traditions is respected;
and a diverse membership enriches and unites us.

Justice speaks loudly and peace is our aspiration;
all voices are heard;
recreation and play are a wellspring for fellowship,
celebration, and growth;
the love of God guides our minds and spirits,
leading us to right action in our hearts, our homes,
our community, our nation, and our world,

And all who enter find a home.



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