
SERVICE NOTES

UMH: *United Methodist Hymnal*, TFWS: *The Faith We Sing*, Girdwood Chapel's CCLI Basic #: 11038417, CCLI Streaming License #: CSPL155734, CEB: *Common English Bible*.

This week's worship helpers—Greeter: Lisa, Tech Helper: Lynné, Liturgist: Mike, Preacher: Pastor Hyunghee Kim

Next Week's Worship Helpers Sign-up

- Greeter: Ann
- Tech Helper: Kevin
- Liturgist: Betsy

Announcements:

- **Walk, Talk, Pray:** every Thursday, 10am at our parking lot
- **Food Pantry:** First Sundays 2-4p.m., 2nd&4th Wednesday 4-6p.m.

MANY THANKS, LOST CREEK MISSION TEAM, for Serving Us! July 19–31, 2025

(Team Leaders) Roger Kinzie and Bill Bunch, (Team members) Cody Bell, Wayne Biggs, Pecos Bridenstine, Aubri Bunch, Julie Bunch, Carl Calliccoat, Lee Denney, Ken Edmondson, Linda Griffin, Mike Griffith, Bill Little, Mike Longwell, BreAnna Peeper, Mason Peeper, Alexandra Petermann, Amy Petermann, Chris Petermann, Eric Reames, Renee Rumford, Edwin Sutherland, Ollie Sutherland, Matt Watkins, and Richard Wuerflien.



*Our Church Mission:
Love God,
Love Others, and
Change the World!*

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

** Indicates an invitation to rise in body or spirit.*

Welcome & Announcements (*back of bulletin*)

*Call to worship

One: Come, you who have been welcomed and you who have been turned away.

Many: We come, hoping for a word that crosses every boundary.

One: Come, you who carry questions, and you who carry stories of rejection.

**Many: The Spirit is on the move—
at the margins, in the cracks, and at the edges.**

All: Let us worship the God who meets us where the doors close—and leads us into new places of joy.

*Opening hymn “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” UMH 526
lyrics on the screen

Opening prayer

All: God of boundary-breaking grace,

You meet us in places of rejection and call us into deeper purpose. When doors close, you open new paths. When voices silence us, you speak through our lives.

Today, awaken our hearts.

Let the Spirit stir courage within us,

So that we may go where love leads,

Bear good news where it's not expected, (*continued on next page*)

And live with joy that cannot be shaken.

In the name of Christ, who was rejected and risen, we pray—Amen.

Scripture reading Acts 13:42-52 (CEB)

42 As Paul and Barnabas were leaving the synagogue, the people urged them to speak about these things again on the next Sabbath. 43 When the people in the synagogue were dismissed, many Jews and devout converts to Judaism accompanied Paul and Barnabas, who urged them to remain faithful to the message of God's grace.

44 On the next Sabbath, almost everyone in the city gathered to hear the Lord's word. 45 When the Jews saw the crowds, they were overcome with jealousy. They argued against what Paul was saying by slandering him.

46 Speaking courageously, Paul and Barnabas said, "We had to speak God's word to you first. Since you reject it and show that you are unworthy to receive eternal life, we will turn to the Gentiles. 47 This is what the Lord commanded us: I have made you a light for the Gentiles, so that you could bring salvation to the end of the earth."

48 When the Gentiles heard this, they rejoiced and honored the Lord's word. Everyone who was appointed for eternal life believed, 49 and the Lord's word was broadcast throughout the entire region. 50 However, the Jews provoked the prominent women among the Gentile God-worshippers, as well as the city's leaders. They instigated others to harass Paul and Barnabas, and threw them out of their district.

51 Paul and Barnabas shook the dust from their feet and went to Iconium. 52 Because of the abundant presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives, the disciples were overflowing with happiness.

One: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message

"Shaken but Sent: When Rejection Becomes Mission"

*Hymn after the message "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" TFWS 2223 *lyrics on the screen*

Invitation to generosity: Offering baskets are available on the side/back of the sanctuary. Or Mail your check: PO Box 1068, Girdwood, AK 99587, or give online; *scan QR code*→



Offering prayer: Please join me in offering prayer

All: Holy One, You meet us with grace in hard places.

Receive these gifts as signs of our trust in your mission—a mission that crosses boundaries, lifts up the unheard, and brings joy where there was dust.

Bless what we give, and bless how we live. Amen.

Joys and concerns & The Lord's prayer

One: God in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

Holy communion: *All are welcome at this open table.*

Invitation to the Table; The Great Thanksgiving; Epiclesis; Breaking the Bread; Sharing the Bread and the Cup

*Closing hymn "This Little Light of Mine"
lyrics on the screen

*Benediction & Lunch Blessing

*Sending forth song "On Eagles Wings" (CCLI Song #3127)

It is the tradition of the Girdwood Chapel UMC to form a circle, hold hands, and sing 'On Eagles Wings.'

Group photo & Team Photo: We'll take a group photo with everyone together right here in the sanctuary. Then, we kindly ask the Lost Creek Mission Team to quickly line up afterward for a team photo. Thank you!

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