

Welcome

Quiet Meditation

Call to Worship

Hymn Praise to the Living God #8

Gathering Prayer

Holy God, no image can fully encompass you and no definition can encircle you. And yet you meet us in the gentle touch of love, the beauty of a butterfly's wing, and the laughter of children. Help us to move beyond our attempts to limit you, contain you, define you, so that we may fully greet you in every particle of this spectacular universe which you are creating. Amen.

Scripture Zechariah 9:9-12
Sermon

Hymn Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness #286

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity

Offering Song

**All praise to the Father,
from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, the Chosen One,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Use these gifts, O God, to bring rest, renewal, and refreshment to those who need it most. Take our talents and our dreams, our laughter and our singing, our tears and our fears – use them all to bring your season of new life to fullest bloom. Amen.

Announcements

Hymn How Beautiful, Our Spacious Skies #594
(or as printed in bulletin)

Blessing

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Keep in Prayer

Wes Brewer, Scott Horn, Julie Chasney, P. Wayne,
Lewis Poths, Rollie Homan, Jane Sanders & Bob
Sanders (sister & brother of Jean King),
Our Shut-ins: Eloise, Allen, Carol, Linda

Offering: May be left in the basket in the back.
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Announcements

Worship Sponsor: Judy Smith

Coffee & Fellowship, Thursday, 8:30am

Vacation Bible School, July 26-29, 6-8:30pm
Trinity Lutheran Church

America, the Beautiful

1. O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties, Above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee.
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

2. O beautiful for pilgrim feet, Whose stern impassioned stress,
A thoroughfare of freedom beat Across the wilderness!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw.
Confirm thy soul in self-control
Thy liberty in law!

3. O beautiful for heroes proved, In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, And mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine.
Till all success be nobleness
And every gain divine!

4. O beautiful for patriot dream, that sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee.
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Welcome to the
Monroeville United Church of Christ
Changing Lives to Change the World

Today's Scripture

Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

See, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰ He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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