



Encouraging and strengthening faith in Jesus, and sharing the joy of God's love.

July 7, 2019

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:15am

The Rev. Robert G. Schaefer, Pastor

Holy Communion

INTRODUCTION to the Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

During these Ordinary Sundays in the Time after Pentecost the liturgy is simpler. In the Gathering we omit the Kyrie. We use the Apostles' Creed rather than the Nicene Creed. We speak the Great Thanksgiving rather than chant. In our readings today God is the source of our nourishment. Our Lord's invitation to "take and eat... take and drink" is a repeated one. In the holy eucharist, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands and faces the baptismal font. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God.

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,

so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG:

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

ELW# 733



Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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great is thy

faith-ful-ness, Lord, un - to

me.

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Glory to God **CANTICLE OF PRAISE** est, the high to God's peo - ple on £ - - wor-ship we give you thanks, we you Refrain ry. est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Christ, on - ly 2 Lord Je - sus Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, take the you are seat-ed of the Fa - ther: right hand re - ceive our prayer. the est, peace to God's peo - ple on earth. lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the are the Most High, in the glo - ry men. men. to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept, then the presiding minister leads the prayer.

P: O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The assembly sits.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from Isaiah.

¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her— ¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. ¹²For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. ¹³As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. ¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 66:1-9

¹Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.

²Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.

³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

⁴All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name."

⁵Come now and see the works of God,

how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

⁶God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.

⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations;

let no rebels ex- alt themselves.

⁸Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

⁹Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.

SECOND READING: Galatians 6:7-16

A reading from Galatians.

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap

eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

After a brief silence, the assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ¬Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ³Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; °cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹¹Éven the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'"

¹⁶"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

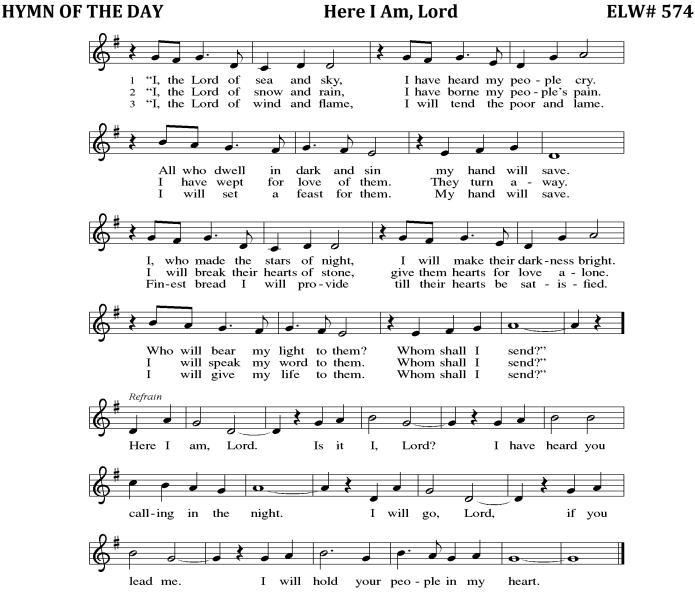
The assembly is seated.

Children and Youth Message

SERMON

The Rev. Robert G. Schaefer

Silence for reflection follows the sermon. The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.



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APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Joining our voices with God's people around the world, let us offer our prayers for those in need.

After each petition of the prayer is said:

A: Let us pray,

C: Have mercy, O God.

P: Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

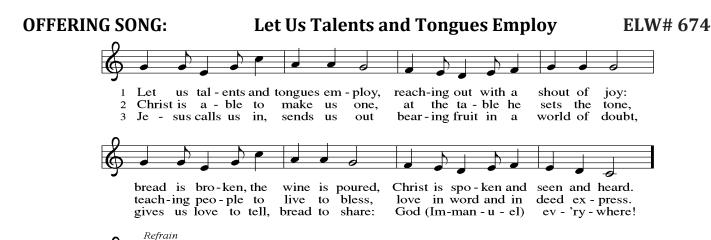
After all have greeted each other the assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

The assembly stands.



Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929
Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980
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OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks. The Lord be with you.

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

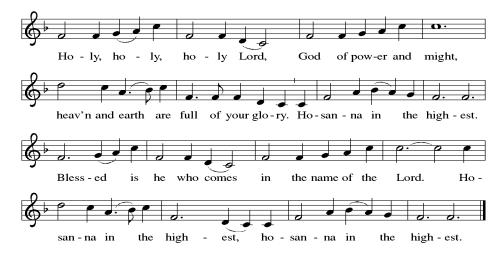
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The presiding minister continues to give thanks:

Glory, honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

...Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

...all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.:

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 trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

Communion

The bread is broken for the communion.

P: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready.

The assembly is seated.

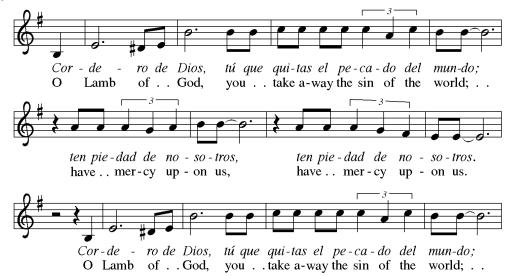
All baptized Christians are invited to participate in the celebration of holy communion. If you desire baptism, the pastor would love to speak with you! Those who are not baptized and children not yet communing may come forward for a blessing, please cross your arms on your chest if you desire a blessing. At St. Stephen we receive Holy Communion by receiving the bread and then either **drinking directly from the cup or by intinction** (That means that you may receive the bread in your hand and then dip bread in the cup.)

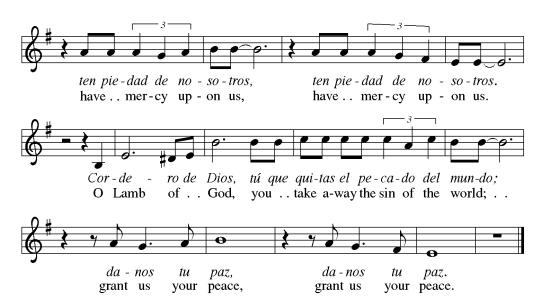
Gluten free bread is available on the right side. (please ask)

Alcohol free wine is available on the right side. (please ask)

The body of Christ, given for you. *Response:* **Amen.** The blood of Christ, shed for you. *Response:* **Amen.**

Lamb of God







Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen
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Additional Communion songs are sung as needed

of heal - ing;

way

Spir-it of com-pas-sion, fill each

heart.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

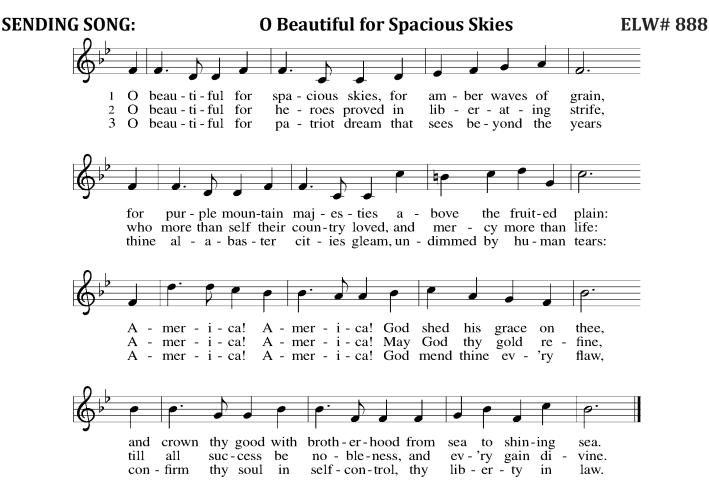
BLESSING

All may make the sign of the cross as they receive God's blessing.

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The assembly turns toward the cross as it passes by.



Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929 Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

In response to the amazing love, mercy and grace of God, St. Stephen Lutheran Church is a community that openly welcomes all who are seeking God's divine love and grace. All are welcome in this place regardless of race or culture, sexual orientation or gender identity, economic situation or life situation, marital or relationship status, or your doubts about faith and church. Our unity is in Christ. Your family, children, friends, spouses and partners are welcome. Your diversity and uniqueness enriches and expands our community. We are a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our prayers today are these members of our homebound and others of our parish family in need of healing: Family of Dawn Schramm, Carol Chmelynski, Jimmy Fennelli, Laurel Blake, Kathy Runk, Edith Reichenback, Audrey Shumway, Jim Loggins, Katie Paff, Roy and Barbara Kaptain, Bob & Jane Reinhold, and Shelley Amato.

Prayers for Friends of the Church: (Please renew your request every 3 weeks)

★ Karen, Marjorie, Aurea ★ Gene, Annette, Cheryl, Robert, Craig, Chandler, Braemen, Aiden, Becky, Nettie, Mary, Jerry, Michael, Angie, Tito, John, Jack, Jojo ★ Pat Jean, Pat Ruth, Glen, Chuck, Betty, Joana, Susan, Donnie, Lorraine, Alex, Jimmy, Anne, Lisa, George.

In a facility or homebound:

Barbara Kaptain – The Atrium Assistant Living at Boca Raton.

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700 SW 4th St, Pompano Beach, FL 33060

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Assisting at Our Worship in July

(w) will give wine at communion. Thank you all for serving.

10:15 AM	July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
ASSISTING MINISTER	Sera Butz	Sera Butz	Natalie Prego	Carol Jacobson
ACOLYTE	Carol Jacobson	Natalie Prego	Carol Jacobson	ТВА
LECTOR	Erika Flanigan	Tom Peterson	Catherine Zippay	Kevin Otterson
USHERS –Need 4 to Serve	Suzanne Loggins Lynda Smith Karen Breslin Zachary Smith (w)	Marsha Kibler (w) Drew Kibler Darin Kibler Catherine Zippay	Rosie Fennelli Jimmy Fennelli R. Mottersheard Lisa Castaneda	Suzanne Loggins Lisa Castaneda (w) Pat Engle Karen Breslin
Head Usher	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli
GREETERS – Need 2 to Serve	Rose Jones Kelly Jacobson	Caroline Smith Ruth Wagle	Caroline Smith Ruth Wagle	Rose Jones Kelly Jacobson
SOUND	Jake VanZile	Eric Castaneda	Dennis Magarrell	Eric Castaneda
PROJECTION	Larry Jones	Dennis Magarrell	Eric Castaneda	Larry Jones

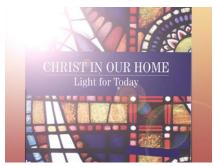
DADISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to worship! Happy 4th of July Weekend! We are thankful you are here! We especially welcome our guests and first time guests today. Stop at the desk to pick up a name tag if you don't have one. Please take a moment to fill out the attendance cards in the worship folder with your name, number and email—especially if you are visiting so that we can welcome you. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Pr. Schaefer. Please join us for refreshments and conversation in the gathering area at the back of the church (Narthex) following the liturgy this morning. St. Stephen members: don't forget to put a little something in the jar on the table to help support this ministry! We thank Linda Hanzlik for her generous stewardship of this ministry of hospitality!

The next St. Stephen Congregation Council meeting is this Wednesday, July 10 Council members, please pick up your council packet this morning. We meet in the Luther Room on July 10 at 7:00pm.

Our new daily devotional booklet, Christ in Our Home, is here!

The July—August—September edition is now available in the back of the church. Be sure to pick up a copy on your way out this morning. It only takes a few minutes; make a resolution this week to spend a few moments in prayer and meditation with the Lord each day using this great little devotional tool!



CHANGE FOR CHANGE for June and July will be donated to SunServe.

SunServe is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit social services agency serving the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) community in South Florida. They provide high quality, culturally relevant care for all with an emphasis on those in financial need, minorities, youth, seniors, HIV+ persons, and those with life-challenging physical or emotional conditions. They also offer myriad education and training services.



We gather for this conversation every Tuesday from 7—8pm in the Luther Room. Acts tells the story of the early church. It traces the growth of the church from a small group of Jewish believes in Jerusalem to a worldwide movement that included both Jews and Gentiles.



Join the Summer choir! We sing NEXT Sunday!!!

The St. Stephen choir will sing at the liturgy on the *second Sunday* of each month: July 14, August 11 and September 8. Rehearsals will be at 9 a. m. on the Sundays when the choir sings. Like to sing? Try us out. Contact Cesar Vidaud or one of the choir members, or just show up for a rehearsal. Thanks!

The Holy Grill feeding ministry needs you!

Dinner is served at 5:30pm on Tuesdays and breakfast at 9:00am on Wednesday in the same location in our east lot. We need more volunteers, now for both meals. Please check one of the box on the attendance card if interested. Be sure to include your email. Pr. Bob will contact you. Our focus is on collecting clothing needs: Men's/women's underwear, socks, flip-flops and casual clothes, towels



Make a gift of flowers to beautify our worship

We have plenty of openings on the calendar in the narthex. Please sign up for a Sunday today. You can give the flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, or to the glory of God. You may take the flowers if you wish after worship. It is only \$35 to sponsor the flowers for a week.

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- Make one-time donations to special appeals
- Pay for events, programs and other activities

If you would like to give electronically, visit our website a link is there on the homepage under "Giving".

JULY HOLY GRILL VOLUNTEERS

<u>TUES</u>	DAY 5PM	WED:	WEDNESDAY 9AM		
7/9	Erika Flanigan	7/10	Juliet Crawford Joe Leone		
7/16	Joe Leone	7/17	Carol Jacobson Suzanne Loggins		
7/23	Eric Castaneda	7/24	Karen Breslin Juliet Crawford		
7/30	Karen Breslin	7/31	Joe Leone Carol Jacobson		

Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER:

Last Sunday Attendance: 50 Last Sunday Income (all sources): \$2,806.84

WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY! THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!!



Sunday Schedule

10:15 a.m. Worship Holy Communion is celebrated weekly

11:45 a.m. Confirmation Ministry

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Activity Calendar

Sunday 7

9:30am New Members Orientation 10:15am Worship

Monday 8

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

Tuesday 9

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open 5:00pm Holy Grill Feeding Ministry 7:00pm Acts Bible Study (Luther Room)

Wednesday 10

9:00-10:00am Holy Grill Feeding Ministry

9:00-12pm Threads of Love

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

Thursday 11

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

Friday 12

9:30am-12:30pm Office Open

Saturday 13

Happy and Blessed Saturday!

Sunday 14

10:15am Worship with New Members



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