



*You are of more value
than many sparrows*

MATTHEW 10:31

***PRAYERS** God of grace, *hear our prayer.*

***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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For this is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. *And also with you.*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Offertory in Classic Style" by Edward Broughton.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***BLESSING**

CLOSING HYMN: Praise Him, Praise Him *Insert*

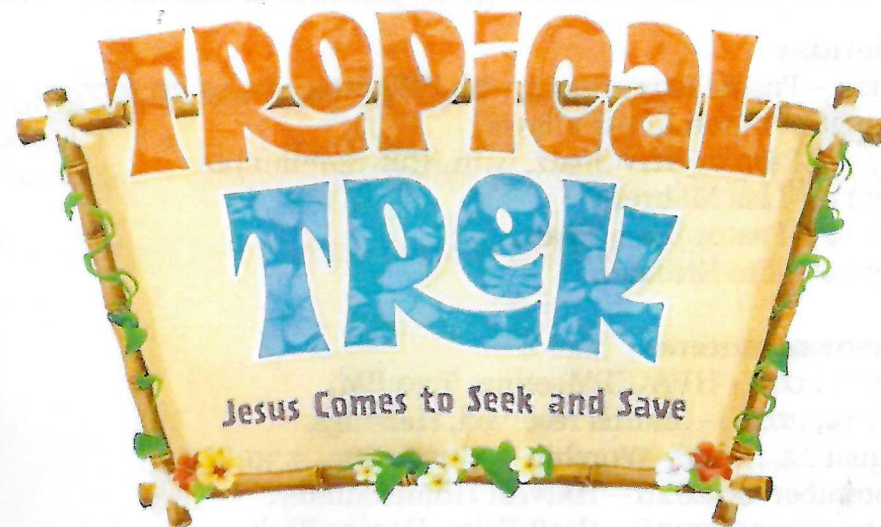
***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE "Gigue" by Gordon Young, arranged by Douglas E. Wagner.

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Calendar

Today – Pastor Barry Spatz, with VBS program, 10:30 service.
June 28 – Karen Koppenhaver.
July 5 – Pastor Barry Spatz, with Holy Communion.
July 12 – Lisa Maurer.
July 19 – Pastor Barry Spatz.
July 26 – Jim Erdman.

Announcements

July 7, 2026 - HVACG Meeting, 6:30 PM.
July 19, 2026 – Church reserved, Herrings.
August 25, 2026 – Worship & Music Mtg., 5:30 PM.
September 13, 2026 – Harvest Home Sunday.
September 19, 2026 – Craft Faire, Hegins Park.

Prayer Corner

Rick Herring; David Merwine; Terry Schwartz; Saralinn Grantz;
Linda, Lee & Jared Kiefer; Josh & Dani Kiefer and unborn
Child; Marvin Ruch; Irvin Lenker Sr.; Dan & Mary Carol; Tracy
Geist; Caitlyn Steppy; Chris Frindt; Lisa Sterner.
Prayers for the Family and Friends of Bill Loveland.

Today's Leaders - Service, Pastor Barry Spatz Organist,
Harold Morgan Lector, Lisa Maurer Counters, Jean &
Gary Klinger Head Usher, Rodney Troutman Ushers,
Christy Leiter, Damaris Merwine, Ed Tietsworth.

Flowers – In honor of Mary & Daniel's birthdays by Ruth.

Bulletin – In honor of Mary & Daniel's birthdays by Ruth.

Attendance: 25 (6/14/26) Offering:
June 14, 2026 – Current \$955.00
Other \$40.00
Total \$995.00

Weekly Offering Needed: \$2,362.87

Volunteers 6/28/2026 – Karen Koppenhaver Lector, Scott
Deiter Counters, Sue & Mike Deiter Head Usher, Rodney
Troutman Ushers, Mike Deiter, Ben Wetzel, Jason Wolfgang.

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

Between Hiding and Exposing

The desire to make known that which is currently hidden can evoke various responses. When abusive power and fear suppress opposition, or when liberating truth is just under the surface, the desire for uncovering and justice is likely strong. However, when harm or injustice is not an obvious outcome and that which is hidden is perceived to benefit stability or peace, there may be resistance to making the hidden known.

Through a variety of images, the speech in Matthew's gospel calls for the unknown to be revealed and intentions made plain. Our liturgical practice of corporate confession provides an opportunity to acknowledge our relationship with what stays hidden and what we wish to reveal in our own lives. The confession may be discomfoting, but it reminds us of an important dynamic in the life of faith: Just as Jesus tells his disciples not to fear and reassures them of their value, the words of forgiveness in the liturgy orient us toward a God who restores relationships and calls us beloved.

If only the liturgical practice of confession and forgiveness would once and for all set us on the right path and give us permanent assurance! But that would also free us from curiosity about what taking up the cross means in our lives. Once the cross is exposed, we must face our response to it, and it challenges our allegiances and prods at our vulnerabilities. However, Jesus is clear that the cross also uncovers a path to life. Instead of this path being a lonely, exposing journey, Jesus knows it well and joins us on the way.