

Order of Worship for Sunday, August 7, 2022 – Final Thoughts: Seek a Homeland
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For the transformation of the world, we make disciples. We study God’s Word and offer praise and
worship, strengthening each other for outreach beyond the church walls.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING WORDS As followers of Christ, we are strangers in a strange land. How can our hearts
lead us to our true home?

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The Lord comes to us this day. Are you ready?

P: We are ready!

L: The Lord challenges us to be in ministries of peace and hope. Are you ready?

P: We are ready!

L: Let us praise God who calls us to serve God by helping others.

P: Praise be to God who has given us hope and peace.

† OPENING PRAYER

**Surprising God of mercy and love, thank you for calling to us this day. We praise you that you
challenge us to show our faith in ministries of peace and justice, offering compassion to all in need.
Open our hearts and minds today to hear your words of encouragement and challenge. We offer this
prayer in Jesus' Name. AMEN.**

† OPENING HYMN Just as I Am, Without One Plea UMH #357

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – 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.***

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Treasures in Heaven Based on Luke 12:32-40

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord’s Prayer “trespass”)

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

MESSAGE Seek a Homeland

THE SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE UMH p. 12

- Confession and Pardon
- The Great Thanksgiving
- The Bread and the Cup

† CLOSING HYMN Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah UMH #127

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- August 13 – Paradise Cemetery Clean Up Day, 8:30-Noon. Volunteers needed. All are welcome!
- August 18 - Ladies Coffee & Conversation at St. James UMC 9:30am, all ladies welcome!
- August 19-27 – Grange Fair – Please keep in mind that the pastor’s cellphone doesn’t always work well during this time because she lives near the fairgrounds. Email or call her home phone 814-364-9318.
- Pastor Theresa will be on vacation Aug 21-24.
- August 28 – Blessing of the Backpacks; students, faculty, staff, bring your bags for blessing and receive a gift to remind you through the school year that you are blessed and loved!
- Pastor Theresa will be on vacation September 26-28.
- October 15 – Fall cleaning day at St. James starts at 8:30am. Refreshments and coffee provided! The focus is to de-clutter, recycle and re-home many of the items in the basement. St. James folks, if you have suggestions for re-homing these items, which includes many silk flowers and arrangements, please share your thoughts with a trustee or administrative board member.
- October 24 – PV Charge Staff Parish Relations Committee meeting 7pm at St. James in Coburn.

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