

THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
AT SWIFT CHURCH
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE Jane Capsis

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Susan Pichoff
Leader: The heavens declare the righteousness of God.
People: The earth declares God’s beauty.

***HYMN #85** “Glorious Is Thy Name”

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
Silent Prayer
Holy God, you call us to do good, seek justice, and care for those in need, yet how often we place our own comforts above compassion for others. Forgive us, we pray, and cleanse us from these and all our offenses through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
Leader: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
People: Thanks be to God!

***PASSING THE PEACE**
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.
People: And also with you.

**please stand as you are able*

***RESPONSE #623** “Gloria Patri”
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 50:1–8,22–23

SECOND READING Luke 12:32–40

RESPONSE
Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Be Ready”
Rev. Alexandra Hutson

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN #102** “There’s Something About That Name”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**
(From the Brief Statement of Faith)
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide

from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***RESPONSE #625** “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.

PRAYER AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

*HYMN #286 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE

Leader: Good people of Swift Church, who are you?

People: Striving to bring God joy, we proclaim Christ’s love and grace through serving and nurturing body, mind and soul.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Music is licensed through CCLI.

THIS WEEK AT SWIFT

Sunday, August 10

Sunday School, 9:00am

Worship in the Sanctuary, 10:00am

Tuesday, August 12

Preschool Board, 10:00am

Finance Committee, 1:00pm

Worship Committee, 4:30pm

Wednesday, August 13

Prayer Group, 9:00am

Food Pantry, 10:00–11:00am

Thursday, August 14

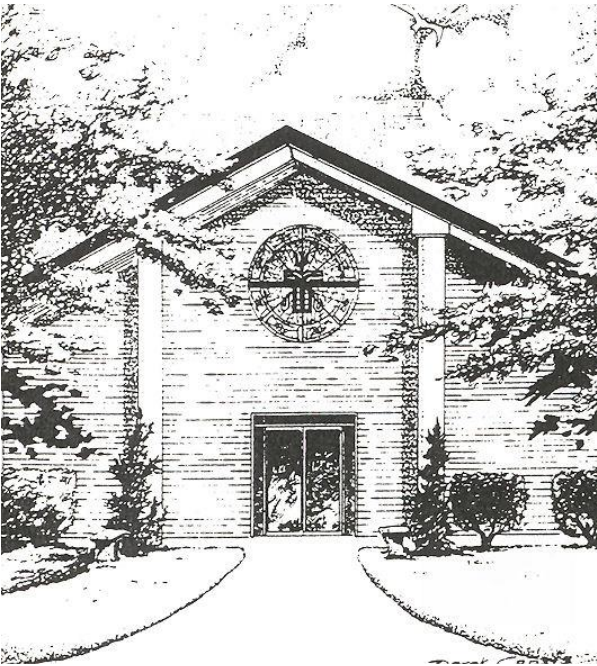
Deacons Meeting, 10:00am



Please join us in the fellowship hall for a “back to school” ice cream social!

Welcome to
Swift Church

August 10, 2025



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through serving and nurturing
body, mind, and soul.

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