September 5, 2021
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! We are happy to have you with us today!

PRELUDE *"How Beautiful"* Twila Paris

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
Please pass the ritual of Friendship

***GREETING (With One Another)**
Greeting: The peace of Christ be with you!
Response: And also with you!

***CALL TO WORSHIP** **Liturgist, Toni Brown**
We gather here to worship God, whose steadfast love endures forever.
We gather surrounded by God's Holy Spirit, who encourages us to walk faithfully with Christ.
Praise be to God, whose goodness ad mercy fill our days.
Praise be to God, whose ways lead to peace an justice.

***OPENING PRAYER**
God of abundant life, you want the best for your people around the globe. You bring healing, wholeness, and new life to all your children. On this day, may our eyes be open to the presence of Christ in one another. May our ears be open to the needs of our community. May our hands be open to serve the forgotten. And may our hearts be open to receive your Holy Spirit along this journey of faith. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee "* **No. 89**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer (in unison) **No. 89**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **James 2: 1-10, 14-17**

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** *"Blest Are They"* **No. 2155**

SERMON *"Make Distinctions"* Rev. Hojin Shin

HOLY COMMUNION
Please pick up your communion elements when you enter the sanctuary

Remember, this sacrament of Holy Communion is open to all people.

***CLOSING HYMN** *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"* **No. 420**

BENEDICTION *"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"* Isaac Watts

POSTLUDE

Ginger Herndon, pianist

*Please stand if you are able

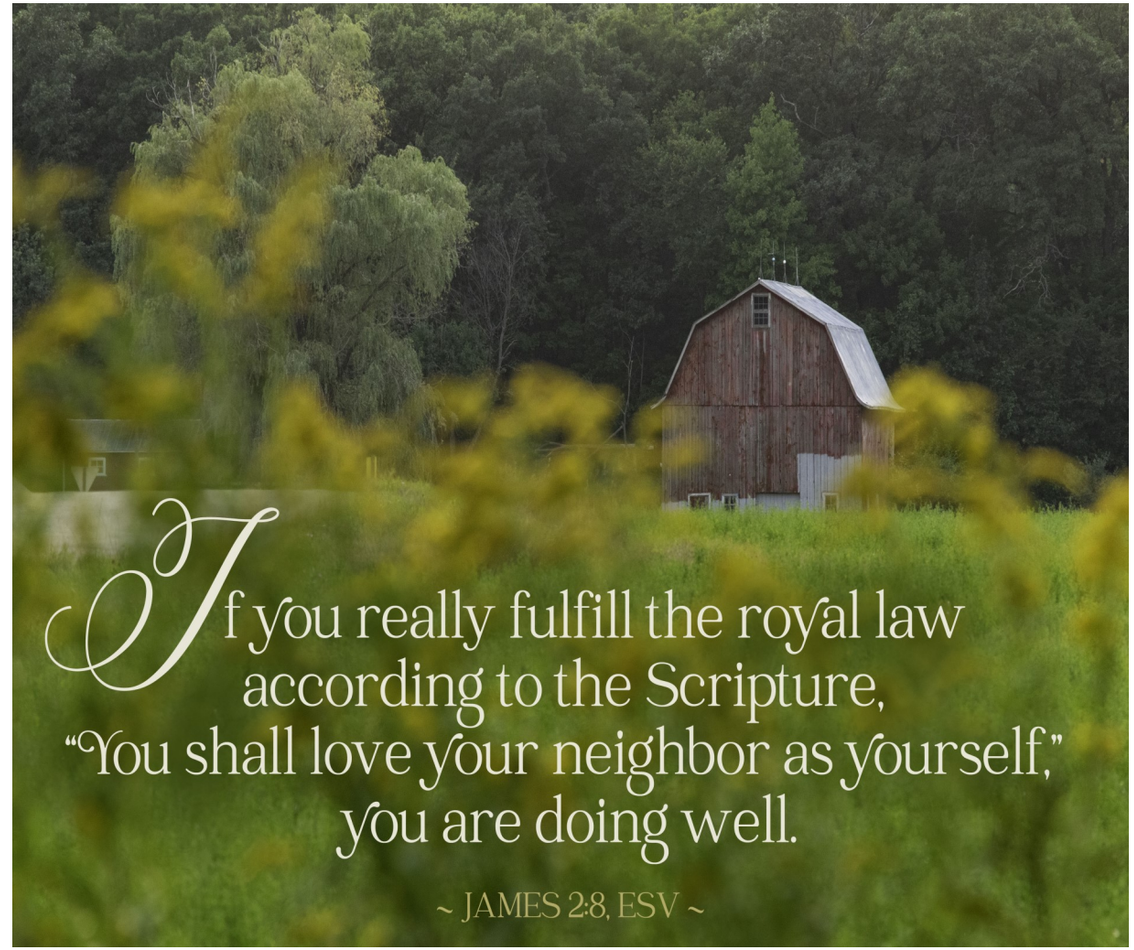
Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers were given by Prudy and Larry Klinger

In loving memory of their parents: Emerson & Jane Colaw and Murl & Genavene Klinger

* Our prayer chain is available to any who have needs or concerns. We will pray with you and for you. Fill out a prayer request form located in the pew or contact the church office at 235-7088. All prayer requests will be sent out by email.
* Our Nursery and Cry Room are open.
* The service is recorded each week and is available to anyone who requests it. If you know of someone who is unable to attend services and would like to receive a DVD or an audio CD, please contact the church office, 235-7088.

Ministers	Every Member
Director of Music	Emily Forssberg
Pianist	Ginger Herndon
Administrative Assistant	Dawn Lowe
Media Specialist	Sally Thurman



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