



Today we welcome to the pulpit as our preacher, Joseph Brown.

*Thank you, Joe!*




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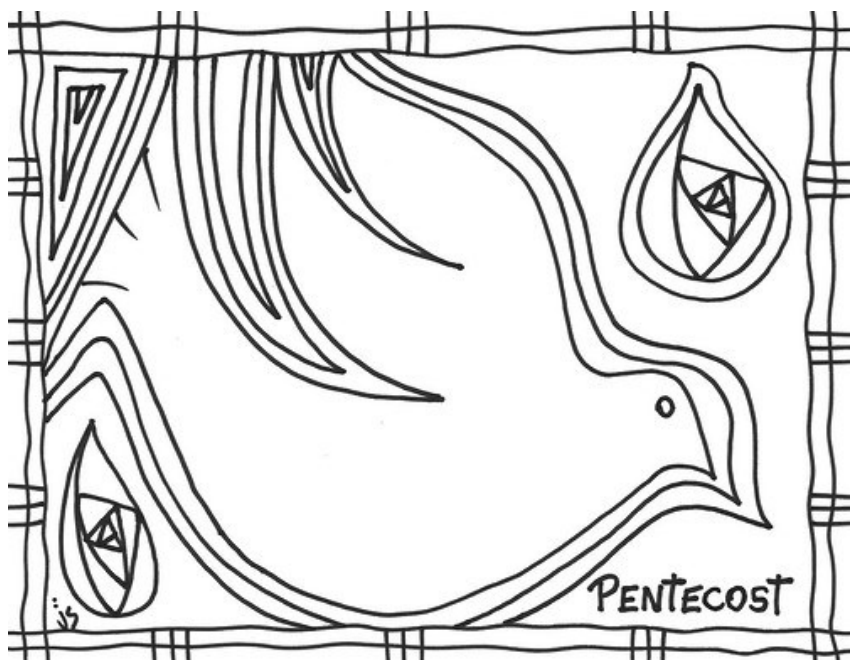
July 30, 2023

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**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>Jul 31</b>	6:30 PM Gerry's Quilt Class--Criswell Hall.
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Aug 01</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 10:00 AM Sew n Sews--MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga--Criswell Hall.
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Aug 02</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 9:00 AM Church Work Day,
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Aug 03</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise--CH, 10 AM Craft Workshop--MMR .
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Aug 05</b>	5:00 PM Spaghetti Dinner with Bingo--Criswell Hall
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Aug 06</b>	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service--Sanctuary.
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Aug 06</b>	10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service--Sanctuary

Abbreviation Legend  
 CH--Criswell Hall  
 S--Sanctuary  
 K--Kitchen  
 L--Library  
 Room #123  
 MMR--McMillen Room #113  
 PS--Pastor's Study



**EVENTS**  
 Mark Your Calendar

**Thursday August 3**  
**Craft Workshop**  
 10 AM-12 PM  
 McMillen Room  
 Today's Craft: Stained glass ornaments.  
 Led by Susan and Mary Thronson. All Welcome!



**Sunday August 13**  
**Beach Theme Sunday**  
 You are invited to wear Hawaiian shirts, beach hats, flip-flops, leis.



**Movie Night**  
**Sunday August 27**  
**4:00 PM Criswell Hall**  
**Program Ministry Free Movie**  
 "Women in Gold" starring Helen Mirren is a true story of a family's battle to recover possessions seized in WW II.

**Saturday September 16**  
**United Women in Faith Women's Rally**  
 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the home of Judie Neufeld.  
 Program and Barbecue. Save the date!



**Saturday August 5**  
**United Women of Faith Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo**  
 5:00 to 8:00 PM  
 Criswell Hall.  
 \$20 donation.  
 Lots of prizes!





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## NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Spirit helps us in our weakness, loving us, strengthening us, and speaking on our behalf with sighs too deep for words.

- OPENING PRAISE *King of Heaven*
- WELCOMING OUR VISITORS
- LEADERSHIP MOMENT Rose Ann Steiner
- "NOISY OFFERING" Mary Thronson
- PRAISE SONGS *Open the Eyes of My Heart  
Wonderful, Merciful Savior  
You Are My All in All*
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
- SONG OF ILLUMINATION *Jesus Be the Center*
- SCRIPTURE Job 1:13-22  
John 16:20-24
- SERMON THE JOY OF GRIEF    Guest Preacher, Joseph Brown
- OFFERING *Offering*
- COMMUNION *I Surrender All*
- FINAL BLESSING *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*
- \*CLOSING *I'll Fly Away*

\*Please stand as able

### Job 1:13-22

One day when his sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in the eldest brother's house, a messenger came to Job and said, 'The oxen were ploughing and the donkeys were feeding beside them, and the Sabeans fell on them and carried them off, and killed the servants with the edge of the sword; I alone have escaped to tell you.' While he was still speaking, another came and said, 'The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants and consumed them; I alone have escaped to tell you.' While he was still speaking, another came and said, 'The Chaldeans formed three columns, made a raid on the camels and carried them off, and killed the servants with the edge of the sword; I alone have escaped to tell you.' While he was still speaking, another came and said, 'Your sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house, and suddenly a great wind came across the desert, struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people, and they are dead; I alone have escaped to tell you.'

Then Job arose, tore his robe, shaved his head, and fell on the ground and worshipped. He said, 'Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there; the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.'

In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrongdoing.

### John 16:20-24

Very truly, I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your pain will turn into joy. When a woman is in labor, she has pain, because her hour has come. But when her child is born, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy of having brought a human being into the world. So, you have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. On that day you will ask nothing of me. Very truly, I tell you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete.

Today's Liturgist: Sharon Roemer

WEEK	ATTENDANCE				STEWARDSHIP	
	8:30	10:30	IN-PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
07/02	45	46	91	30	121	\$7,773
07/09	39	45	84	33	117	\$4,652
07/16	41	61	102	29	131	\$4,120
07/23	35	52	87	n/a	n/a	\$5,076

Our Fiscal Year started July 1    Weekly Offering Needed \$6,038  
 7/23 Received \$5,076    YTD Received \$21,621    YTD Budget \$24,151  
**STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: \$268,775 in Pledges Received. \$320,000 Needed.**  
*Thank you to all of you who returned their Estimate of Giving card.*  
*And a very special Thank You to those who increased their Estimates of Giving!*  
**We need EVERYONE to return their Estimate of Giving and increase it if at all possible.**

**HOSPITALITY TIME**  
 Today's Hosts:  
**ALL CHURCH SUNDAY**  
 Next Sunday August 6 hosted by  
**Christian Education, Worship, Membership**