

Eigth Sunday after Pentecost		July 17, 2026	
Chiming of the Hour	The Children of Highland Park	Hymn 545	“In the Bulb”
Prelude	“Brother James' Air” Mark Stern, Organist	Offering of Gifts	Margaret Stafford
Welcome and Invocation	Rev. Cheryl Kimble Pastor	Offertory Music	“Pastorale” Mark Stern
Call to Worship, spoken in unison		Doxology, tune No. 307	
O God, make the doors of this house wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship, narrow enough to shut out envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling-block to children, nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back our fears. God, make the door of this house the gateway to your eternal kingdom.		Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, above ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. O Praise God, O Praise God! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!	
Opening Hymn, No. 427	“We’ve a Story to Tell”	Special Music	“Rooted” Kristin Werner, Soloist
Passing the Peace	Margaret Stafford Liturgist	Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Cheryl Kimble
One: The Lord be with you. Many: And also with you. One: Lift up your hearts. Many: We lift them up unto the Lord. One: Now with the power of God’s love and in the fullness of God’s spirit, please greet one another with the peace of Christ!		The Lord’s Prayer, spoken in unison	
		Scripture Reading	Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43
		Sermon	“Evil Weeds?” Rev. Cheryl Kimble
Hymn of Peace	“All Are Welcome Here”	Hymn of Response, No. 372	“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”
Children are invited to the front steps for the children’s sermon.		Announcements	Rev. Cheryl Kimble
Children’s Sermon	Leah Schreier	Benediction, No 241	“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”
Children 2nd grade and below are dismissed to the nursery.		Postlude	“A Promenade Postlude” Mark Stern
Bolded text is read or sung by the congregation.		CCLI#1356960	

Announcements

Sunday Children Volunteers Needed

UPDATED SIGN-UP* Volunteers Needed! We are looking for weekly helpers to teach, lead games, or assist with the little ones. Materials are provided in advance. You can sign up by adding your name to your chosen date, and a special thank-you to all our volunteers for sharing their time and energy with the kids. The spreadsheet is located in the weekly e-mail newsletter.

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour needs volunteers! The donut sign-up sheet is located on the library window. Please choose a Sunday to bring breakfast goodies to share before worship. When no one is signed up for a particular week, we'll take a break from treats that Sunday. We are looking for volunteers for the next few weeks.

Ongoing Sunday Tech Support

We have an ongoing need for volunteers during worship services to assist with sound and slide presentation. No prior experience is necessary.

Support Our Church

Our handcrafted church replica donation box is still an active place to give. Created by Kay Greenhaw and family, this beautiful piece was inspired by our Teague Chapel and features repurposed stained glass from our sanctuary windows, making it a truly one-of-a-kind addition to our church. You'll find the donation box near the narthex table. Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

Woman Fest 2026

SAVE THE DATE for Woman Fest 2026, located in Georgetown, TX, the weekend of November 6-8.

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WELCOME



Welcome to our worship service. We are so glad you're here.
All are welcome here because all are worthy.