

SouthWest United Church
July 24, 2022
Seventh Sunday in Pentecost
Baptism Isaiah Charles Bhagwandass

Welcome

Gathering Hymn: MV 58 We Sing of Your Glory

Welcoming the Light

We light this candle as a sign of God's Spirit at work in the world. May its light brighten our spirits and shine through us to be a light in the world. Amen

Call to worship

Come, people of God. Here is the door to life, the door to justice, the door to truth. Bring all you are. God is waiting. **We stand at the door and knock, leaving all we do not need behind, for here we find anew way of living. The door is opened for all. God is waiting. Let us enter and worship God.** **Bathe me in your light, O God of All, Creator; let it shine upon my soul with healing and with grace. Be to me a beacon bright through shadows of life's wounding, showing me the way to live in faith, in your embrace. (MV 82, vs 1)*

Opening prayer

We gather in your realm of love, O God. May we find ways and words to proclaim your name. May we be sustained and nurtured by your word. May we be surrounded in prayer. May your reign grow in us and in the world. Amen

Hymn: VU 649 Walk With Me

Prayers for Grace and Transformation/Words of

Affirmation:

Response: Let us give thanks for God's gracious, loving presence. Amen

The Peace

Baptism (see insert)

Exegesis/Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 85	VU page 802 (responsive)
Gospel:	Luke 11: 1-13

Reflection

Hymn: VU 343 I Love to Tell the Story

Invitation to the Offering

****Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song, no one stands alone, standing side by side, draw the circle wide. (MV 145, refrain)***

Offertory Prayer

Announcements

Prayers of the people/Lords Prayer

****Bathe me in your love, O Source of Awe and Wonder; help me walk the sacred path of harmony and peace. May I be attentive to the musings of your presence, drinking from the well of hope that brings the heart release. (MV 82, vs 2)***

Extinguish the Candle

Blessing Response: We go in the persistent, generous, living love of God to bless the world in every deed

Closing Hymn: VU 639 One More Step Along the World I Go

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