

FLOWERS

The flower arrangement was given to the glory of God by Rod Graham and Bekki Tennyson, in loving memory of their mother, Pat Jensen, and brother, Roger Graham.

NEED TO KNOW COLUMN

Sunday, July 27 - Guest Preacher, Rev. Kenny Rigoulot

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Sunday, August 3

Lord's Supper will be observed at both Worship Services

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Tuesday, August 5

6:30 p.m. - Presbyterian Women will meet at Joe's Pizza and Pasta
308 S. Belt Line Rd., Mesquite, TX - just down the road

Wednesday, August 6

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsals

Sunday, August 10 - Blessing of the Backpacks

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

Monday, August 11

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Meeting in Crossroads Class
7:30 p.m. - Worship Committee Meeting in the Enquiry Classroom

Wednesday, August 13

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsals

Sunday, August 17 - Rally Day

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
12:00 p.m. - Indoor Picnic in Wilbanks Hall

Tuesday, August 19

7:00 p.m. - Joint Officers Meeting - Side room in Wilbanks Hall

Wednesday, August 20

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsals

Sunday, August 24

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
10:40 a.m. - Congregational Meeting in the sanctuary

Tuesday, August 26

6:30 p.m. - Presbyterian Women Kickoff Dinner (more info to come)

Wednesday, August 27

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsals

Thursday, August 28 through Tuesday, September 2

Renee Stormer will be away for a family vacation

Sunday, August 31

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

About the Guest Preacher

Rev. Kenny Rigoulot and his wife, Jennifer, began serving as Co-Directors at Gilmont in 2021. They met at Gilmont during staff training in 1999. They have served as camp counselors, summer camp directors, on the board, and as volunteers. Kenny graduated from ACU with degrees in English and Christian Ministry, and a minor in Philosophy, before receiving his MDIV from Princeton Theological Seminary and serving as a PCUSA ordained Pastor in Pampa and Cleburne. He loves living, working, and playing at Gilmont with his wife, Jennifer, and their kids; Kennan (20), Brayden (17), and Grayson (15). Kenny loves to read, preach, teach, pastor, worship, and have fun with people of all ages. He enjoys meeting new people and is passionate about inviting others to participate, partner with, promote, and support Gilmont and share God's love.

The Mid-Year Contribution Reports are in the Welcome Center

We want to let you know how grateful we are for your financial support of our church. The time, talents, and treasures, you provide help make the ministries, outreach and fellowship of our church possible. We appreciate your support during these challenging times.

We feel that it is important you see what you pledged to give and what you have given.

We thank God for you and your family which makes up our church family. May all your gifts to our church be multiplied for God's greater plan and the advancement of His Kingdom.

Blessing
of the
Backpacks

Sunday,
August 10, 2025



THE CHALLENGE

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total items collected thus far in July is **122 items**. Thank you to all who contribute!



Our first mission project will be collecting donations of school supplies or monetary offering for Florence Black Elementary School. Please give as much as you can. Last day to contribute is Tuesday, August 26. Thank you!

**Elder Sign-up Sheet for the second half of the year has been posted in the hall by Rev. Doughton's Office.
Please sign-up today!**

THOSE WHO SERVE

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor
Ryoji Shimpo, Director of Music Ministries/Organist & Pianist
Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant
Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus

GUIDE TO WORSHIP

July 27, 2025

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



ONLINE GIVING OPTION

Have you ever thought of giving online? If you would like to give online you may scan the QR Code, this will take you to the giving button on our website.



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* arr. John Purifoy

INTROIT 452 *Open the Eyes of My Heart* Paul Baloche

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You; I want to see You;
to see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."
Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2; Psalm 34:1, 22, 3*
Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And also to you.

We will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall continually be in our mouths. The Lord redeems the lives of his servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned. O magnify the Lord with me and let us worship His name together.

*HYMN 611 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mighty and Merciful God, by Your power Christ is raised from death to rule this world in love. We confess that we have not believed in Him, but fall into doubt and fear. Gladness has no home in our hearts, and gratitude is slight. Forgive our dread and our hopelessness, and set us free for joy in the victory of Jesus Christ, Who was dead but now lives, and Who will put down every power to hurt or destroy, when Your promised kingdom comes. In Jesus' name, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE (*Hymn 581*)

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. A—men. A—men.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

MOMENT FOR MISSION Camp Gilmont Capital Campaign

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

Gracious, Loving and All-knowing God, may the words of my mouth and the meditations of all our hearts be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *1 John 4:7-21*

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent His only Son into the world so that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and His love is

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perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent His Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from Him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Psalm 16*

Protect me, O God, for in You I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from You." As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight. Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips. The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; You hold my lot. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage. I bless the Lord Who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I keep the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. For You do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit. You show me the path of life. In Your presence there is fullness of joy; in Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Matthew 5:38-48*

‘You have heard that it was said, “An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.” But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

‘You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.” But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you many be children of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

*HYMN 693 *Though I May Speak*

SERMON *Turning the Other Cheek* Rev. Kenny Rigoulot

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *The Gift of Love* arr. John Carter
Ryoji Shimpō, pianist

*DOXOLOGY (*Hymn 606*)

**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 OF DEDICATION †

*HYMN 321 *The Church's One Foundation*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 743 *O God, You Are My God (Step by Step)*

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.
O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.
I will seek You in the morning,
and I will learn to walk in Your ways.
And step by step You'll lead me,
and I will follow You all of my days.

POSTLUDE *The Church's One Foundation* arr. Clarence Kohlmann
Please be seated for the Postlude.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Elder # - George Venner (8:45); Paul Luce (11:00)
Deacon/Ushers † - Sharon Condarco, Sue Bohmer,
and Michael Lee (8:45);
Sharon Condarco, Cindy Jenkins,
Gerald Jenkins, and Susan Leake (11:00)