

**NEED TO KNOW COLUMN**

**Sunday, June 21 - Father's Day**

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

**Saturday, June 27**

1:00 p.m. - Decorate for VBS Wilbanks Hall

**Sunday, June 28**

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast - Speaker, Rev. Doughton  
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
5:30 p.m. - VBS Kickoff Pot Luck Dinner  
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. VBS Classes

**Monday, June 29 through Thursday, July 2**

5:45 p.m. - VBS Dinner (Optional)  
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - VBS Classes

**Friday, July 3**

*The Church Office will be closed in observance of the July 4th holiday*

**Sunday, July 5**

*The 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, July 7**

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee meeting in Crossroads Class

**Wednesday, July 8**

7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, July 12**

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. - **Carter BloodCare Mobile Unit** will be here  
8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

**Wednesday, July 15**

7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, July 16 to Monday, July 20**

Renee Stormer will be away on a family vacation

**Tuesday, July 21 to Friday, July 24**

Ryoji Shimpo will be away for continuing education - Alleluia Conference

**Wednesday, July 22**

7:30 a.m. - DFW Scent Training (for dogs)

**Saturday, July 25 to Monday, August 3**

Rev. Doughton will be away on a family vacation

**Sunday, July 26 - Guest Preacher, Craig Krueger**

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

**Sunday, August 2 - Guest Preacher**

*The 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

**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



**Children 3 years thru 5th grade  
Sunday, June 28**

5:30 p.m. - Potluck Supper  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. VBS Classes

**Monday, June 29 thru Thursday, July 2**

5:45 VBS Dinner \$5.00 per person (Optional)  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. VBS Classes

**Adult Classes have been added to VBS  
Sunday thru Thursday at 6:30 p.m.**

Sunday & Monday - William Richardson  
Tuesday - Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton  
Wednesday & Thursday - Dr. Carol Stephenson

**Sign-up is happening now!**

In Snowball Mountain Challenge, your children will learn that God is the source of their strength!

We hope you will attend our **potluck supper on Sunday, June 28, at 5:30 p.m.** We will kick-off this year's Vacation Bible School together. Please mark your calendar, pull out your favorite recipe to cook and share, and plan to attend.



**GUIDE TO WORSHIP**

**June 21, 2026**

**8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

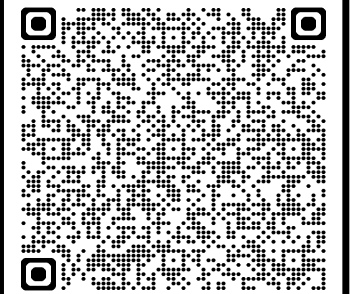
**About the Cover Picture**

Up in the hills of Qumran, one can see caves. These were the caves that held the Dead Sea Scrolls. When I think of Elijah hiding in a cave-this is the image that comes to mind. Today we will revisit Elijah during a particularly low time in his life.



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Improvisation on 'Llanfair'* Steven Scott

INTROIT 613 *O Lord, Our Lord* Michael W. Smith  
O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.  
O Lord, we praise Your name.  
O Lord, we magnify Your name: Prince of Peace,  
mighty God; O Lord God Almighty.

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

### And also to you.

The Lord is the giver of all good things. The Lord has given hope to the world. The Lord gives us faith so we may stand. The Lord guides us and works to conform us to the image of Jesus Christ. Let us worship God.

\*HYMN 33 *Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty, Gracious, and Merciful God; You pardon all who truly repent and turn to You. We humbly confess our sins and ask Your mercy. We have not loved You with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with You, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in Your lovingkindness. In Your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from Your presence or take Your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation and sustain us with Your bountiful Spirit. 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 #

ANTHEM *Summertime* George Gershwin  
Ryoji Shimpo, Pianist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

All Knowing, Gracious God, challenge our minds where they need to be challenged, encourage our wills where they need encouragement, comfort our hearts where they need comforting in Jesus Name, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Matthew 11:28*

"Come to Me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *I Kings 19:11-15, 18*

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken Your covenant, thrown down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES *(11:00)*

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

\*HYMN 435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

SERMON *The God Who Speaks* Rev. Doughton

\*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.**

PRESENTATION - MEN'S COUNCIL *(11:00)*

2026 CHURCHMAN OF THE YEAR

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* arr. Tedd Smith  
Ryoji Shimpo, 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 697

*Take My Life*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

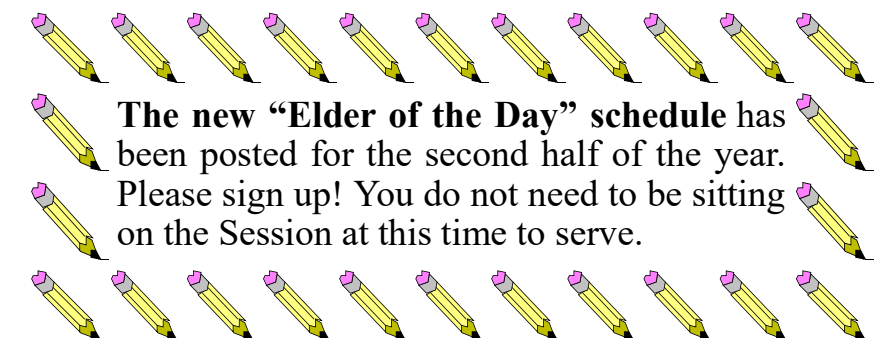
\*RESPONSE 701 *Lord, Prepare Me* arr. Nylea L Butler-Moore  
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy,  
tried and true. With thanksgiving,  
I'll be a living sanctuary for You.

POSTLUDE *Take My Life* arr. Penny Rodriguez  
*Please be seated for the Postlude.*

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

**Elder #** - Evelyn Parker *(8:45)*; Eric Schwartz *(11:00)*  
**Deacons/Ushers †** - Dallas Ward, Sharon Condarco,  
and Nick Scholl *(8:45)*;  
Dallas Ward, Sharon Condarco,  
Nick Scholl, and Linda Fricke *(11:00)*

Help a neighbor by donating blood.  
Local donors save local lives: Carter  
BloodCare donors made the  
difference for many Texas  
patients.  
Our Next Blood Drive will be  
Sunday, July 12, from 8:30  
a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Please roll-up your sleeve and give the  
gift of life.



**The new "Elder of the Day" schedule** has  
been posted for the second half of the year.  
Please sign up! You do not need to be sitting  
on the Session at this time to serve.