

SUNDAY WORSHIP

August 30, 2026 ~ 10:30am

Mission Statement: As a community of faith, we welcome all who seek understanding. • As a community of hope, we offer friendship and comfort to those in need. • As a community of love, we provide caring support and shared fellowship to all

WE ARE A COMMUNITY CHURCH. OUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND MEMBERS COME FROM MANY PLACES AND MULTIPLE FAITH TRADITIONS. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO FIND A SPIRITUAL SANCTUARY HERE.

— ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME —

CENTERING MUSIC

Sharon Novak

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 103

One: O my soul, bless God.

People: *From head to toe, I'll bless God's holy name!*

One: O my soul, bless God.

People: *Don't forget a single blessing!*

One: God forgives us, God heals us.

People: *God redeems us, God saves our lives.*

All: *God offers us love and mercy.*

God wraps us in goodness.

*SONG #401

Amazing Grace

Sharon Novak

— PRAYING —

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever. *Amen.*

— REFLECTING —

SCRIPTURE

*Acts 4, 9, 11
12, 13, & 15 (excerpts)*

MESSAGE

**WHO BELIEVES
IN YOU?**

Rev. Gail Doktor

*SONG #477

God of Grace

Sharon Novak

— OFFERING —

OFFERING

*SONG #44

Doxology

Sharon Novak

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

— CLOSING —

SONG

May the love of God live in us today, may the love of God live in us today.

May the warmth we feel within us show in all we do and say.

May the love of God live in us today.

May the peace of God be with us today,

May the peace of God be with us today.

May it guide us and protect us, as we go our separate ways.

May the peace of God be with us, May the love of God live in us,

May the love of God shine through us today.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Gail Doktor

SCRIPTURES

Acts 4:32,34,36,37

³² Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common... ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them [in Jerusalem], for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold... ³⁶ There was a Levite from Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means “son of encouragement”). ³⁷ He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money and laid it at the apostles’ feet.

Acts 9:26-27, 30—The Believers Share Their Possessions

²⁶ When [Saul, who would become Paul] had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples, and they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. ²⁷ But Barnabas took him, brought him to the apostles, and described for them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken boldly in the name of Jesus... ³⁰ When the brothers and sisters learned of it, they brought [Saul] down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

Acts 11:19-26—The Church in Antioch

...among them were some men of Cyprus and Cyrene who, on coming to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists also, proclaiming the Lord Jesus... ²² News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. ²³ When he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion, ²⁴ for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were brought to the Lord. ²⁵ Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, ²⁶ and when he had found him he brought

him to Antioch. So it was that for an entire year they met with the church and taught a great many people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called “Christians.”

Acts 12:24-25

²⁴ But the word of God continued to advance and gain adherents. ²⁵ Then after completing their mission Barnabas and Saul returned to Jerusalem and brought with them John, whose other name was Mark.

Acts 13:1-4,13—Barnabas and Saul

13 Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers... ² While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “*Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.*” ³ Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off. ⁴ So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus. ⁵ When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the Jewish synagogues. And they had John also to assist them. ⁶ When they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos... ¹³ Then Paul and his companions set sail from Paphos and came to Perga in Pamphylia. John, however, left them and returned to Jerusalem, ¹⁴ but they went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia.

Acts 15:36-41—Paul and Barnabas Separate

³⁶ After some days Paul said to Barnabas, “*Come, let us return and visit the brothers and sisters in every city where we proclaimed the word of the Lord and see how they are doing.*” ³⁷ Barnabas wanted to take with them John called Mark. ³⁸ But Paul decided not to take with them one who had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not accompanied them in the work. ³⁹ The disagreement became so sharp that they parted company; Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus

PRAYERS

For PEOPLE: Alexa, Allison, Ana, Annie, Ariana, Ashley family, Bette D., Bill M., Bob C., Bob G., Brianna & baby Addie, Cindy K., Corky, Deb L., & Jon L., Hannah, Huntley, Jenn, Jeremiah, Jess, Judy B., Kailee, Karen, Kate & Rusty, Larry, Liberty, Mary, Maureen, baby Miles, Mike, Nancy, Nat & baby June, baby Noelle, Nyesa, Rob, Ruth, Scamp, Steve, Sue C., Tom, and baby Quinn N. For those serving as first responders, for those serving on the front lines of public health and safety, for those deployed and on active military duty. For our leaders. For those grieving. For our adversaries and enemies.

For PLACES: For Chikanga Church in Mutare, Zimbabwe and communities in Honduras. For hurting places in the world, wounded by natural disasters or human-made causes and conflicts.

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