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The hymns today come from The Methodist Hymnal.

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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SILENT MEDITATION: "The path I walk, Christ walks it. May the land in which I find myself be without sorrow. May the Trinity protect me wherever I stay, bright angels walk with me, the ninefold people of heaven come with me. May I arrive at every place I enter. Well does the fair Lord show us a course, a path."
(From a sixth-century hymn attributed to St. Columba)

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING

PRELUDE

"Brothers Orlando's Air"

John Michaels

***CONGREGATIONAL HYMN** No. 660 "God Is Here" (vs 1,3,4)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills
and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us, as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt
keep us faithful to the gospel help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come! Enter into God's presence.

All: We come yearning to encounter God.

One: God's reassuring presence is with us wherever we go.

All: We are surrounded, always in the scope of God's love.

One: We cannot escape from God's Spirit.

All: Let God come to us now!

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Present and Sustaining God, come to us when we seem to have lost our way. Forgive us for continually running in circles seeking our way while you wait for us to calm us and reveal to us your presence with us. Open to us the path of fellowship with you and one another. Lead us in your grace, forgiveness and joy. Amen

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God of Blessing and God of Hope, we are grateful that your Spirit is ever with us, assuring us of your acceptance and love. May our offerings sustain our mission as a congregation, as we share the message of your abiding presence with others who need to hear the good news that they are not alone or forsaken on the tiresome path of their lives. May these gifts and the lives we live bear witness to your face in the midst of the darkest challenges of our day. Amen

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain: Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet;
till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; neath his wings securely hide you,
daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you,
put his arms unfailing round you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

God be with you till we meet again; keep love's banner floating o'er you,
smite death's threatening wave before you; God be with you till we meet again. (Refrain)

**BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE**

"Revive Us Again"

John S. Husband

The Liturgist is Tiffany Alger-Trussell.
Thank you to Carol Lyon for accompanying the hymns today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
CHURCH UBER ACCOUNT

Thanks to a generous donation a church Uber account as been established for individuals who are unable to drive to and from church. If you would like more information on the program notify the church office.

SHARING TABLE

Take time on Sundays, or anytime during normal office hours, to **SHOP** at the sharing table. There are Bibles and some old hymnals available if you would like to take one or even more.

CHECK IN, SHARE AND COMMENT ON FACEBOOK

If you are worshipping in person, please "Check-in" on Facebook, then, share the service, comment on it and like it. You are encouraged to have your device out during the service.



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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sundays 10:45 AM Online & In person Worship followed by in person fellowship
Monday—Friday, 9:45 AM Live with Pastor Paul in Windows Facebook Group
Monday & Wednesday, 6:30 PM NA Meeting

For more information about any of these, please email the church office at stlukes@stlukesuccindep.org

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