

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 2, 2026

We thank God for His provision:

July avg \$4627 Year to date avg \$5625 Budget \$5600

THIS WEEK

- **Wed, Aug 5, 8:00 am: Men's Prayer**
- **Aug 6-8: Covenant OPC Family/Youth Campout:** Lake Elmore State Park. Signup deadline is tonight. If anyone would like to join us for a hike or a day event, please let Olivia know; she will send out the schedule of events.
- Thursday Bible study is cancelled this week because of the church campout

UPCOMING

- **August 9, 10:00 am: Morning Worship & Communion:** The Lord's Supper will be celebrated. *All who have publicly professed their faith in Jesus as Savior and Lord at a Bible-believing church and have been baptized are welcome to the Lord's Table. The monthly offering for diaconal needs will be taken up.*
- **12:30 pm: Missions Prayer Meeting**
- **August 15-22: Deerwander Youth Bible Camp**
- **August 22: OPC multi church picnic in Allenstown, NH.** See the info and sign up link on our church website. About 10 OPC churches in our region are meeting for a day of picnic and refreshment! Sign up by 8/15.
- **Abide 2026 Young Adult Conference is November 6-9** in Colorado Springs. See info on the literature shelf in the fellowship hall.

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LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

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GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

Prelude

Salutation & Call to Worship
Bible)

1 Peter 1:10-12 (p 1203) pew

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND

*** Opening Hymn**
Blessing

We Gather Together To Ask The Lord's

98 Trinity Hymnal (all verses)

1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:
sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning:
thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory be thine!

3 We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation endure thro' tribulation:
thy name be ever prais'd! O Lord, make us free!

Invocation & God's Law

Amos 1:1-2:3 (p 908 pew Bible)

Psalm of Confession

Psalm 130 (p 614 pew Bible)

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Prayer

GOD SPEAKS HIS WORD TO HIS PEOPLE

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Amos 3:1-8 (p 910 pew Bible)

Rev. 5:1-5 (p 1221 pew Bible)

Sermon

Weep Not - The Lion Roars for Our Comfort

Prayer of Application

* Closing Hymn

We Have Heard The Joyful Sound
448 *Trinity Hymnal* (verses 1-3)

1 We have heard the joyful sound: Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Spread the tidings all around: Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Bear the news to ev'ry land, Climb the steeps and cross the waves,
onward! 'tis our Lord's command; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

2 Waft it on the rolling tide: Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Tell to sinners far and wide: Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Sing, ye islands of the sea; echo back, ye ocean caves;
earth shall keep her jubilee: Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

3 Sing above the battle strife, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
By his death and endless life, Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Sing it softly through the gloom, when the heart for mercy craves;
sing in triumph o'er the tomb — Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

* Benediction

*Please stand if able

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Weep Not - The Lion Roars for Our Comfort

Amos 3:1-8 & Rev. 5:1-5

Introduction - DEFINITIONS OF IDOLATRY

1) “THE DETERMINATION THAT GOD IS INCOMPETENT TO RUN YOUR LIFE... AND SO YOU MUST SEEK OTHER METHODS OF CLIMATE CONTROL” (Dale Davis)

2) “THE REPLACEMENT OF A (LOST) EXPERIENCE OF THE POWER OF GOD AND THE REPLACEMENT OF A (LOST) REPRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE GOSPEL (UNTO THE MINDS) OF MEN ... IN FAVOR OF AN OUTWARD IMAGE, *IN THE HOPES OF EXCITING RELIGIOUS DEVOTION EXTERNALLY...*

- I. IDOLATRY: The most basic root of human misery, rebellion and merited curse under God’s justice.
- II. THE HOPEFUL, UNDESERVED LOGIC OF GOD’S GRACE: If the most basic root of human misery is idolatry, the most basic Divine response to idolatry among His people is: **Intervention! “He seeks an occasion against Baal ...”** (Jud 14:4 – where God “sought an occasion” against the Philistines...
- III. CONCLUSION -