



SEASON OF REST

REST. WORK. PLAY.

WEEK 1

RELEASE INTO REST

1 KINGS 19:1-9

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**First United
Methodist Church**

Our Vision

To be a central hub of Christian
ministry in Lancaster County & beyond

Our Mission:

Connect people to Jesus Christ
& the church, grow Christian disciples,
& relieve suffering

**July 5, 2026
8:15 & 10:45 AM**

Prelude “River of Peace (It is Well With My Soul)” (Maureen Howell)
Peter Omundsen, organ

Announcements & Greeting Pastors Jason Ríos & Laura Sambrick

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, today may be released so that we can rest.

People: We come seeking rest for our minds, hearts, and souls.

Leader: Lay down your fears and anxieties.

People: We come to release the weight that stretches us too thin.

Leader: God meets us here, offering rest and renewal.

All: We come, ready to be restored in God's presence.

***Hymn No. 110 “God, Whose Love Is Reigning O'er Us”**

Common Prayer

God of heaven and earth, we gather in Your presence with thanksgiving and praise for the way in which You have revealed Yourself to us. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, we have come to know and love You; we have witnessed Your love and mercy in action; we have caught a glimpse of Your heart, and we have received the call to follow. Continue to reveal Yourself to us as we worship. May Your Holy Spirit open our minds and hearts to Your presence here, and to the word that You have for us this morning. We long to meet You here, and to know You better. In the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Savior. Amen.

Scripture Reading Psalm 62: 5-8 (*pew Bible, OT, P.498*)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

(8:15 AM) Anthem “America the Beautiful” (John Ness Beck)
Jan Betty, Soprano / Peter Omundsen, piano

(10:45 AM) Anthem “America the Beautiful” (John Ness Beck)
Summer Choir– Brian Norcross, Director

Mission Moment: Rev. Jacob Guot, Africa Sunrise Communities

Preparation for Prayer, No. 697 "America" (stanza 4)

Pastoral Prayer

Karen Senkowski

* * *Children ages 3-5th grade are dismissed to Jr. Church* * *

*Hymn No. 130 "God Will Take Care of You"

Scripture Reading 1 Kings 19:1-9 (*pew Bibles, OT, p. 311*)

Message Sermon Series: Season of Rest
Week 1: "Release into Rest" Pastor Jason Ríos

*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881 "The 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Song of Praise, No. 77 "How Great Thou Art" (refrain)

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(All pray in silence.)

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Sacrament

Congregational Prayer

Loving God, we are often stretched to our limits, trying to do it all. Today, we release into Your compassion. Renew us as we rest in Your presence, reminding us that we are already simply loved. Amen.

*Hymn No. 578 “God of Love and God of Power”

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Response, No. 696 “America the Beautiful” (stanza 3)

Postlude “Battle Hymn of the Republic” (arr. Marianne Kim)
Peter Omundsen, organ

8:15 AM Worship

Ushers– Barry Rodeffer
Acolyte – Rachel Ridgeway
Liturgist – Laura Sambrick
Sound Tech - Amayah DiBiasi
Projector- Christian Faux

10:45 AM Worship

Usher Chief - Barry Rodeffer
Acolyte – Jeff Fisher
Liturgist – Correen Russo
Sound Tech - Amayah DiBiasi
Projector/Livestream– Alexandria
Neumann

Pastors– Jason Ríos & Laura Sambrick
Ministers– First Church Congregation

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