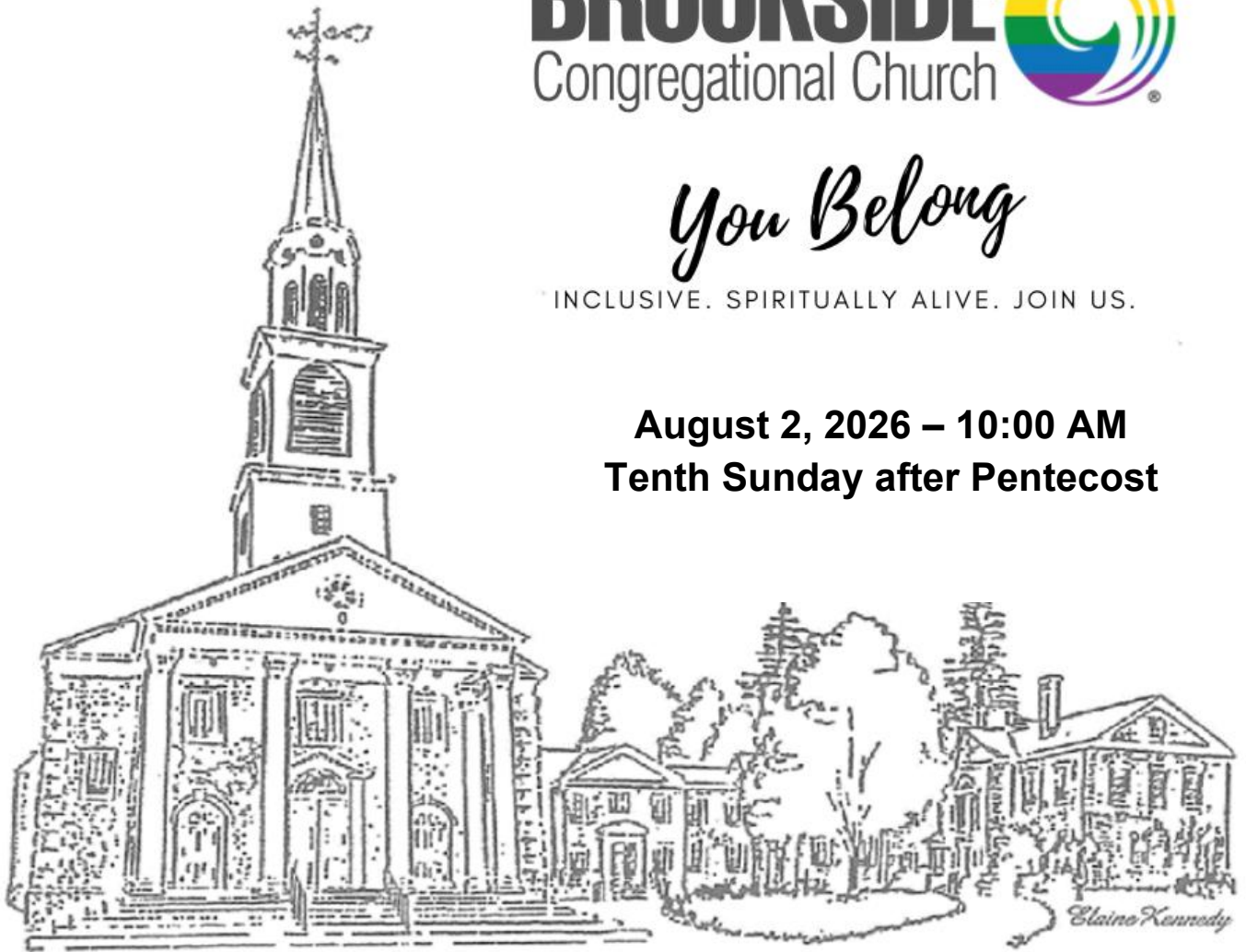




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August 2, 2026 – 10:00 AM
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



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Heather Bridges, Choir Leader
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*Please Stand

GREETING

The **Flowers** are given by Karen and Mike Soule to celebrate Karen's 78th birthday and in memory of our family and friends who have gone before us.

PRELUDE

Godspell Youth Campers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come into the presence of God to be fed. Call on God who is eager to answer.

People: We gather to be near God's loving kindness and generosity of Spirit.

Leader: Incline your ears to hear all that God is teaching. Open your hearts and minds to experience God's steadfast love.

People: We are here to receive God's light. This beacon of hope comes from the power of the Holy Spirit.

Leader: God is near to all who call and seek. Come to praise God in word and song.

OPENING PRAYER

We are in awe before you O God, for you have provided for us with rich abundance. The earth is filled with your provisions. The beauty around us is of your making. You have surrounded us with people who care about one another. Help us be kind without a need for praise. Remind us to take risks for the sake of compassion and love. Teach us the ways to feed others in the Spirit of Christ. AMEN

*HYMN

When Peace, Like a River

N 438

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:13-21

Karen Soule

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he

ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

SERMON	He Got in a Boat	Rev. Laura Biddle
ANTHEM	<i>The Boats</i>	Paul Hubert
OFFERTORY		Godspell Youth Campers
*DOXOLOGY		

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

LORDS PRAYER

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN	<i>God of the Sparrow God of the Whale</i>	N 32
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE	<i>Yes, Lord; Keesecker</i>	<i>Jordan Gravel</i>
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Special thanks to our Guest Musician, Paul Hubert.

Thanks to our Godspell Campers and Their Leaders; Christina Alvarez, Heather Bridges, and James Bridges.

Deacon of the Week: Debi Rapson

Reader: Karen Soule

Sound Technician: Dale Trombley

Technology: Dale Trombley



Please Remember in Prayer



Cliff and Martha Church
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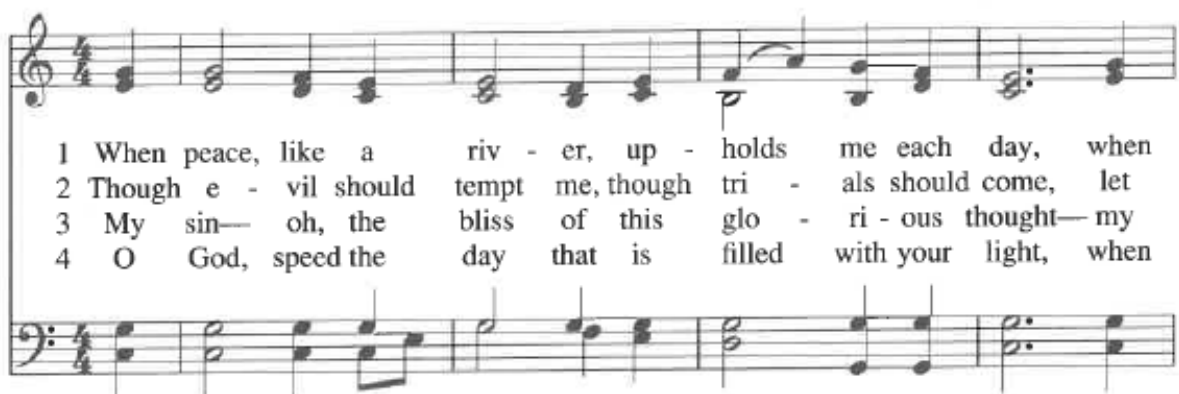
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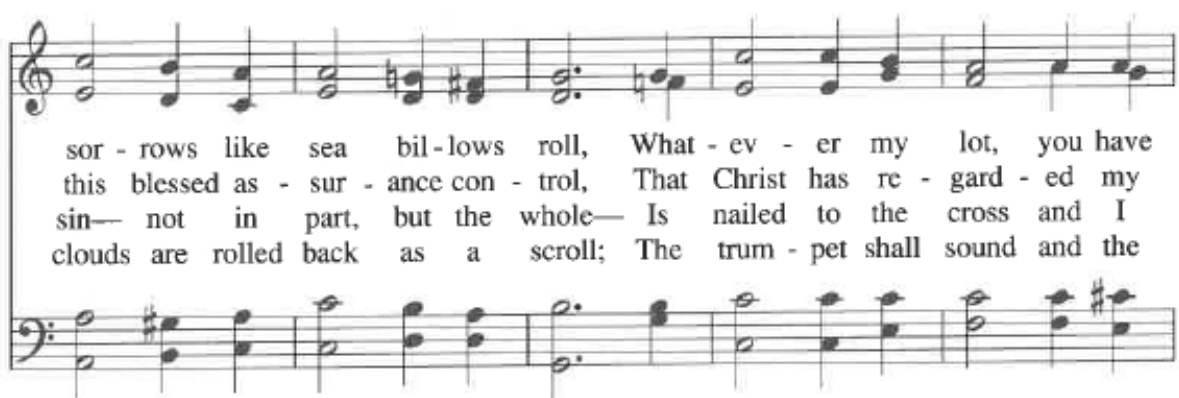
When Peace, Like a River (It Is Well with My Soul)

Ps. 146; Col. 1:19-23; 2:13-14; 3 John 1:2

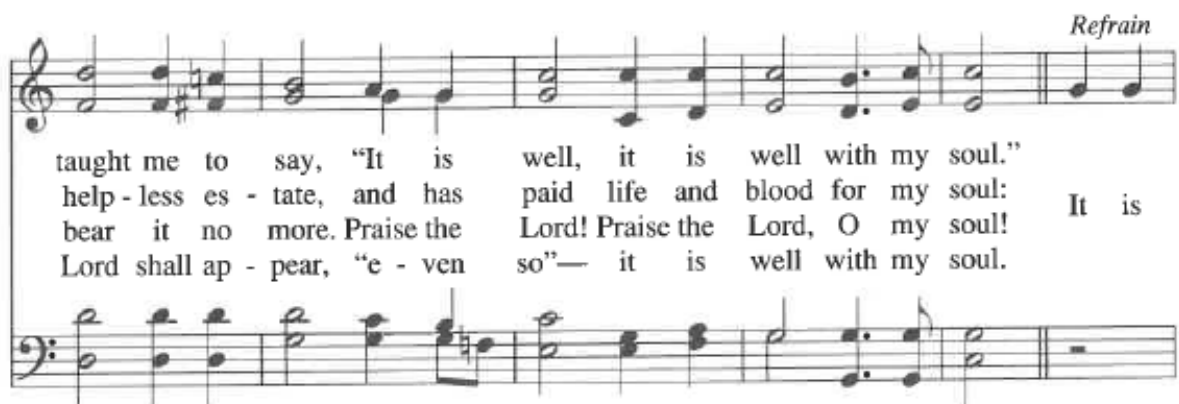
Horatio G. Spafford, 1873; alt.



1 When peace, like a riv - er, up - holds me each day, when
 2 Though e - vil should tempt me, though tri - als should come, let
 3 My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought— my
 4 O God, speed the day that is filled with your light, when

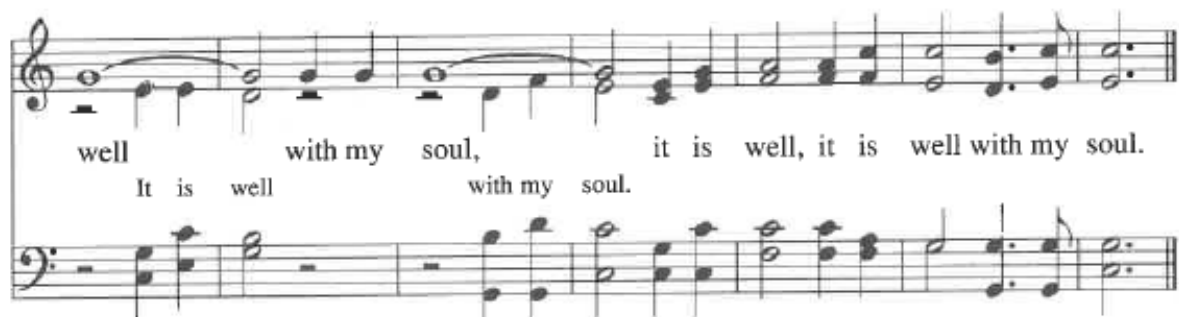


sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, What - ev - er my lot, you have
 this blessed as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ has re - gard - ed my
 sin— not in part, but the whole— Is nailed to the cross and I
 clouds are rolled back as a scroll; The trum - pet shall sound and the



Refrain

taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."
 help - less es - tate, and has paid life and blood for my soul: It is
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall ap - pear, "e - ven so"— it is well with my soul.



well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 It is well with my soul.

(Introduction) G G7 Unison C Em Am Dm

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale
 2 God of the earth-quake God of the storm
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand

G7 C FM7 E7 Am Em

God of the swirl - ing stars How does the crea-ture say
 God of the trum - pet blast How does the crea-ture cry
 God of the emp - ty grave How does the crea-ture say
 God of the prod - i - gal How does the crea-ture say
 God of the prun - ing hook How does the crea-ture say
 God of the lov - ing heart How do your chil-dren say

FM7 Em7 Am Dm 1-5 Gsus4 G C

Awe How does the crea-ture say Praise
 Woe How does the crea-ture cry Save
 Grace How does the crea-ture say Thanks
 Care How does the crea-ture say Life
 Love How does the crea-ture say Peace
 Joy How do your chil-dren say Home.