

FUMC San Benito 6th Core Belief:
*A church that chooses love over hate; cooperation over competition; grace
over grudges.*

What Stone Pillows May Get You



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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 19, 2026- 10:30 a.m.

Welcome All!

*We are pleased that you are
worshipping with us either
On YouTube Live or in the*

Sanctuary.

First Time Visitors are Given a Special Gift

**Congregation, please stand if able*

PRELUDE

Tom Hoehn

*Point to Ponder: When we are living a Life on the Lam. . . We need
to find Life with the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the world
and especially our sin.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rudy Hyde

Leader: God of grace and love, We rely on Your love extended
to us in all ways and at all times, extravagantly and with
generosity.

**People: We live day by day knowing that Your care and
concern is poured out for us in Your provision for our
needs and beyond our imagining.**

Leader: You entrust us with the gift of the good news of the
Gospel and invite us to be partners in the sharing of the
message of grace.

**People: Day by day, we realize the many gifts lavished upon
us. We come to You to acknowledge and praise You
for all Your goodness to us.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 328

"Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place"

ANNOUNCEMENT

Rudy Hyde

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

No. 880

The Nicene Creed

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Lord, I humbly acknowledge the times I have overlooked You working in my life. Forgive me for those moments when I have failed to see how You orchestrate the events around me. I know there are places You have led me that I have deemed ordinary, moments when Your glory has shone brightly, yet my eyes were shut to it. May my heart be softened and my spirit be open to recognizing the divine in the everyday. Just as Jacob stood in awe, realizing that he was on holy ground, let every space I enter be sacred because You are there.

A moment of silence your personal prayer of confession

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

followed by **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

YOUR GIVING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Lord, just as Jacob awoke from his sleep and recognized You in that sacred space, we ask that You awaken our spirit today. Help us to truly see and know that You are here with us, right in this moment, in the midst of this offering time. Let the circumstances of Your gift of Jesus Christ touch and surround us so we can be givers with joyful hearts. In Jesus name. Amen

OFFERTORY

Tom Hoehn

***DOXOLOGY**

Scripture for Month of July Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful." Hebrews 10:23

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Louise Humble

Genesis 28:10-19

Liturgist: This is the Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Pastor Melissa

"Living on the Lam vs. Living with the Lamb"

*SENDING FORTH HYMN

No. 418

"We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder"

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: Step by step by step. Moment by moment. Day by day.

In each hour of this week, may we choose to follow you.

People: God, You go before us into all things. God, You are behind us keeping us from falling. God, You are beside us as our companion. God, You surround us and uphold us and so we lean into you.

Pastor: Thank you for walking with us all the way. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

People: Submit to God and God will bring the best out of you.

POSTLUDE

Tom Hoehn

