

This Week's Calendar May 7-13, 2017		
Today	Communion & Kid's Music Sunday <i>Deadline for Camp Scholarships</i> Baptism of Ben Eichorst	10:00am
Tuesday	Preschool Screening Bible Study Stewardship Grief Share	12:00pm 5:00pm 7:00pm
Wednesday	Choirs Pastoral Care	5:30-7:45pm 7:00pm
Thursday	Financial Committee SLT Meeting	6:00pm 7:00pm
Friday	"Reel" People @ Gaebler's House	7:00pm

Next Week's Calendar May 14-20, 2017		
Sunday	Mother's Day Missions Graduation Sunday & Teacher Recognition	9:00am 10:00a,
Tuesday	Bible Study	5:00pm
Wednesday	Bible Study CE Meeting Choirs	12:00pm 5:30pm 5:30-7:45pm
Thursday	J.O.Y Circle	12:00pm
Saturday	Men's Fellowship	9:00am

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries		
Today	Kristen Langston	Robbie Strandel
Monday	Salli Walden	
Tuesday	Anne Engelhardt Jamie McLeod	Gere Ryerson
Wednesday	Eric Johnson	Matt Strong
Thursday	Emily Gawne	
Saturday	Art & Andrea Prochaska - 32 years	
	Lea Ann Skogsberg	Monica Sleezer
	Morgan Sleezer	



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Prayer List		
Bill Andersen	Juanita Hatcher	Jack Ryder
Fred Anderson	Sarah & Jay Hoffman	Matthew Setterstrom
Lynn Belcher	Joe Hudgins	Connie Ton
Mary Cass	Joseph Jaeger	Robert Turner
Mark Christian	Karsjen Family	Sandy Veselka
Doc Coleman	Holly Mann	Marie Wayne
June Davis	Morrison Family	Tim Wickens
Todd Davis	Ed Niesen	The Timothy Family
Bob Freeman	Joanne O'Brien	
Mary Freeman	John Patterson	
Cordial Gilette	Ethel Perkins	

Offerings Received - April 30, 2017	
Operating Income	\$3279.00
Designated Income	\$800.00
Attendance	153

Worship Assistants	
<u>Liturgist</u> 5/7 & 5/14 - Pam Campos 5/21 - NO LITURGIST 5/28 - Carrie DeFuss	<u>Greeters:</u> 5/7 - Ken Olivera, Melissa Donohue & Family 5/14 - Jim & June Davis 5/21 - Tony & Laurie Houle 5/28 - Jan Essex & Joanne Mohr
<u>Altar Guild</u> Sue Kimes & Nancy Kolowski	
<u>Church Guardians</u> Fred Dickson (5/7) Jeff Farren (5/14) Andy Hamblin (5/21) Becky Jerabek (5/28) Jeff Kline (6/4) Ben Moe (6/11)	

Concerns
✝ All those battling cancer.
✝ All those affected by the rains and flooding this past week.
✝ All the victims of gun violence around the country, especially in Chicago.
✝ All those living in fear of abuse

Joys
✝ Baptism of Benjamin Eichorst
✝ Celebration of Communion as a church family
✝ Duncan is doing better.



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Pastor: Rev. Mark Gregory	Ministers: The Congregation
Worship: 10:00 A.M.	
May 7, 2017	



As We Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

“For those who love, nothing is too difficult, especially when it is done for the love of our Lord Jesus Christ.” ~Saint Ignatius

“A rule I have had for years is to treat the Lord Jesus Christ as a personal friend. His is not a creed, a mere doctrine, but it is He himself we have. ~Dwight L. Moody

“True faith is focused in and on the Lord Jesus Christ and always leads to action.” ~David A. Bednar

We Gather Together

Prelude: Tina Andersen, Organist
Lighting the Path
Ringing of the Bells
Welcome and Trinitarian Greeting
Introit: Somebody’s Knockin (Ken Berg)
Jubilation Choir

A Time for Praise and Preparation

*Call to Worship:
Opening Hymn: Morning Has Broken Chalice Hymnal #53
*Prayer of Confession & Words of Assurance:
The Gloria Patri:
Glory be to the Savior, and to our God, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, love without end. Amen.
Sonshine Choir: A Place in the Choir (Staines)
Positively Perfect Population of People (Jacobson & Billingsley)
*Passing the Peace:
With a “Holy Hug” or a “Holy Handshake,” we greet those around us as a sharing of God’s love with the words, *Welcome, the Peace of Christ be with you.”

The Sacrament of Baptism

We celebrate the Baptism of Benjamin Michael Eichorst
Welcome
Pastor: They were bringing children to Jesus that Jesus might touch them; and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, Jesus was indignant, and said to them,
People: Let the children come to me, do not hinder them: for to such belongs the realm of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the realm of God like a child shall not enter it.”
Pastor: And Jesus took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands upon them.
Pouring the Water
Pastor: This is the water of baptism.
People: Out of this water we rise with new life, forgiven of sin and one in Christ, members of Christ's body.

Question of Parents

Pastor: Do you, Michael and Jennifer, promise, by your life and your teaching, to lead Benjamin to an understanding of the Christian Gospel and to a life of love and service toward others? If so, answer, “We do with the help of God”.

To Godparents:

Pastor: Do you, Erica and Michael, Godparents for Benjamin, promise, by your life and your teaching, to help Benjamin’s parents as they lead him to an understanding of the Christian Gospel and to live a life of love and service toward others? If so, answer, “We do with the help of God”.

Words to the Congregation

Pastor: Jesus calls us to make disciples of all nations and to offer them the gift of grace in baptism. Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support and prayers to Benjamin as he lives and grows in Christ?

People: We promise Benjamin our love, our support and our care.

Act of Baptism

Introduction of Benjamin to the Congregation

Baptismal Song: “Jesus Loves Me” Chalice Hymnal #113

Lighting of the Baptismal Candle

Prayer of Baptism
Pastor: Please join me as we pray for Benjamin and his family.
ALL: Gracious God, you have filled the world with joy by giving us the gift of Jesus. We ask your blessings on Benjamin. May he be filled with joy; may he never be ashamed to confess a personal faith in you. We ask your blessing on his parents. May they always show gratitude for his life, the life you have given, by loving him unconditionally, caring for his needs and accepting him for who you have created him to be. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer

Responding to God’s Gifts and Grace

The Call for the Offering

The Offertory
*The Presentation - The Doxology:
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ and Spirit One. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Self:

We Listen for God’s Word

Anthem: Bwana Asifiwe (Mark Burrows)
Jubilation Choir

Scripture Background:

Scripture Lessons: John 14:15-21

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Message: The First Advocate

Service of Holy Communion

Invitation by the Pastor:

This table is open to all who wish to know the presence of the Christ, symbolized in this humble act of sharing. Come not because you must, but because you may. It is spread for you and me, that we might know that God has come to us, shared our common lot, and invites us to be God’s people in Christ. No matter what your race, your creed, your gender, or your orientation, ALL are welcome here. This is the table of grace. Come to this table, just as you are. The cup is never empty, and the plate is always full.

Pastor: The symbolic elements of bread that sustains life, and wine, reminiscent of Jesus’ first miracle, reveal God’s unfailing provision for us in body and in spirit. Today, as we surround this table, let us remember that Jesus’ healing power is at work today, in the Word, in the bread, in the wine, and in the silence.

People: This is the joyful feast for the people of God. Men and women, youth and children, come from the east and the west, the north and the south and gather around Christ’s table. Partake and be made whole.

Unison Prayer of Consecration:

Loving God, we take these common elements, made from grain and grapes, and set them aside for this symbolic and holy purpose, consecrated by You, and confirmed by the faith in our hearts. Amen.

Remembering the Last Supper

*Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Preparing for a Week of Serving

*The Closing Hymn: Shine Jesus Shine Supplemental Hymnal #10
~ Carrying the Light into the World ~

*The Commissioning, Benediction and Response:
Postlude: Tina Andersen
* Indicates congregation standing; if this creates a hardship, please remain seated.
✚ We extend a warm welcome to our guests and hope to see you again.
✚ Nursery care is available for infants through age 3. Please see an usher.
✚ All are invited to join us for coffee in the Fellowship Hall following the service.