

This Week's Calendar  
May 14-20, 2017

Today	<b>Mother's Day</b> Missions 9:00am Graduation Sunday & Teacher Recognition 10:00am
Tuesday	Bible Study 5:00pm
Wednesday	Bible Study 12:00pm CE Meeting 5:30pm Choirs 5:30-8:45pm
Thursday	J.O.Y Circle 12:00pm
Saturday	Men's Fellowship 9:00am

Next Week's Calendar  
May 21-27, 2017

Sunday	Bridger Mission Pancake Breakfast 8:30am <b>Music Sunday 10:00am</b> <b>***ANNUAL MEETING*** 11:00am</b>
Tuesday	Bible Study 5:00pm
Wednesday	Bible Study 12:00pm
Friday	<i>Pastor Mark on vacation through Tuesday, 5/30</i>

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

Tuesday Jerry Engelhardt

Concerns

- ✝ All those who are grieving
- ✝ Prayers for all our political leaders

Joys

- ✝ All the kids in our Sunday School and Church school programs
- ✝ Our mothers and all those who have filled the role of mother in our lives!
- ✝ All the teachers and volunteers we have that keep our Sunday school program running smoothly.



Do you feel worried, weary or burdened? Confidential support from a Stephen Minister can help. Contact Pastor Mark, Lou Ann Hoffman or Becky Jerabek.

Prayer List

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

Offerings Received - May 7, 2017

Operating Income	\$6,503.00
Designated Income	\$690.00
Attendance	146

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	

Church Guardians  
Fred Dickson (5/7)  
Jeff Farren (5/14)  
Andy Hamblin (5/21)  
Becky Jerabek (5/28)  
Jeff Kline (6/4)  
Ben Moe (6/11)

JUST A LITTLE  
*Reminder*

Pastor Mark will be taking the last two days of his vacation for this fiscal year on Friday May 26th and Sunday May 28th. Rev. Michael Obenauer will be leading worship and preaching on the 28th, as well as providing emergency care coverage while Pastor Mark is away. Monday the 29th is Memorial Day, and since the Holiday falls on his regular day off, he will be taking the holiday on Tuesday the 30th (this is per his call agreement). Pastor Mark will return to the office on Wednesday May 31st. Two of our staff members, Pastor Mark and Barb Thurlby will be on the Bridger Mission trip from Saturday June 3rd thru Sunday June 11th. Pastor Michelle will be preaching and leading worship for the 2 Sundays Pastor Mark is away, and will also provide emergency pastoral care coverage. Mary Ellen Anderson will be covering CE duties for Barb.



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<b>Pastor: Rev. Mark Gregory</b>	<b>Ministers: The Congregation</b>
<b>Worship: 10:00 A.M.</b>	
<b>May 14, 2017</b>	



## As We Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

*“A mother understands what a child does not say.”*

*~Jewish proverb*

*“A mother is not a person to lean on, but a person to make leaning unnecessary.”*

*~Dorothy Canfield Fisher*

*“The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother.”*

*~St. Therese of Lisieux*

*“God is in the hearts of all, and they that seek shall surely find Him when they need Him most.”*

*~Louisa May Alcott*

*“God’s promises are like the stars; the darker the night the brighter they shine.”*

*~David Nicholas*

## We Gather Together

**Prelude:** Tina Andersen, Organist

**Lighting the Path**

**Ring of the Bells**

**Welcome and Trinitarian Greeting**

**Introit:** *Wonderful Grace of Jesus* (Lillenas)

## A Time for Praise and Preparation

**\*Call to Worship:**

**Leader:** Let us make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

**People:** **Let us break into joyous song and sing praises.**

**Leader:** Let us sing praises to our God with lyre and trumpets and melody.

**ALL:** **Let us worship the Holy One, to whom the seas, the floods and the hills sing with joy.**

**Opening Hymn:** *Love Divine, All Love Excelling*  
Chalice Hymnal #517

**\*Prayer for Invocation:**

Gracious and loving God - I lift my voice in praise for all the marvelous things you have created and done. You have made known your victory and revealed your saving love in the sight of all people and nations. You have lifted up the lowly and given them honor – you remember all your promises and love me with a love that is abundant and unconditional. In this hour of worship, touch me with your Holy Spirit that I might love that which you love and do that which you do - to your everlasting praise and glory. Amen.

**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.

## Recognition of Sunday School Teachers & Graduates

## 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:**

Blessed Giver of all: what is love but giving? You have given me so much from your overflowing grace and care. So I give these offerings and myself to you, O God. Bless these gifts so they may be used in loving ways that will show others your grace and care. Bless my mind and body, so that all that I do and all that I am will reflect your love, and grow your reign of love on earth. In Jesus’ name I pray, Amen.

**\*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.”

**Announcements, Joys and Concerns**

**The Pastoral Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer**

**Prayer Response:** *There’s a Place of Quiet Rest* (McAfee)

## We Listen for God’s Word

**Anthem:** *Compassion Hymn* (arranged by Courtney)

**Scripture Background**

**Scripture Lessons:** John 14:1-14

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works

than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

**Message:** *There’s room for everyone*

## Preparing for a Week of Serving

**\*The Closing Hymn:** *How Great is Our God*  
Supplementary Hymnal #1

**~ 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.



**Congregational Meeting**  
**May 21, 2017**