

Prayer List

Bill Andersen	Mary Freeman	Dale Perkins
Fred Anderson	Michael Heinrich	Ethel Perkins
Lynn Belcher	Joe Hudgins	Jack Ryder
Mary Cass	Joseph Jaeger	Mary Lee Swickert
Mark Christian	Holly Mann	Robert Turner
Doc Coleman	Olivia Mann	Sandy Veselka
Todd Davis	Ed Niesen	Marie Wayne
Michael Franciose	Joanne O'Brien	
Bob Freeman	John Patterson	

This Week's Calendar August 27-September 2, 2017

Sunday	Friendship Sunday & Ice Cream Social	11:00am
Monday	Bldg & Grounds Meeting	10:30am
Tuesday	Preschool Screening	12:00pm
	Alpha Group	5:15pm
Saturday	Hometown Days - Touch a Truck Event	12:00pm

Offerings for August 20, 2017

Operating \$8,127.66
Designated \$534.73
Attendance 116

Worship Assistants for September 3, 2017

<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Greeters:</u>
John Morello	9/3 - Jeff & Kathy Farren
<u>Church Guardians</u>	
Jeff Kline (8/27)	
Ben Moe (9/3)	

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

Today	Rachel Hart	
Monday	Bob & Mary Freeman - 51 years	
	Carole Cook	Diane Lee
	Pam Campos	Luke Schoenfelder
Wednesday	Jackie Hirn	
Thursday	Mike & Jen Eichorst	

Next Week's Calendar September 3-9, 2017

Sunday	Communion Sunday - No Kid's Church	10:00am
Monday	Church/Office Closed - Happy Labor Day	
Tuesday	Grief Share	7:00pm
	Stephen Ministry	
Wednesday	Bible Study	12:00pm
	Alpha Group	5:15pm
	Brownie Troop #162 Meeting	6:00pm
	Choir	7:00pm
Thursday	Boy Scouts	6:00pm
	CE Team Meeting	6:15pm
Friday	"Reel" People	7:00pm
Saturday	Walk/Run for Refugees - meet at church	6:00am



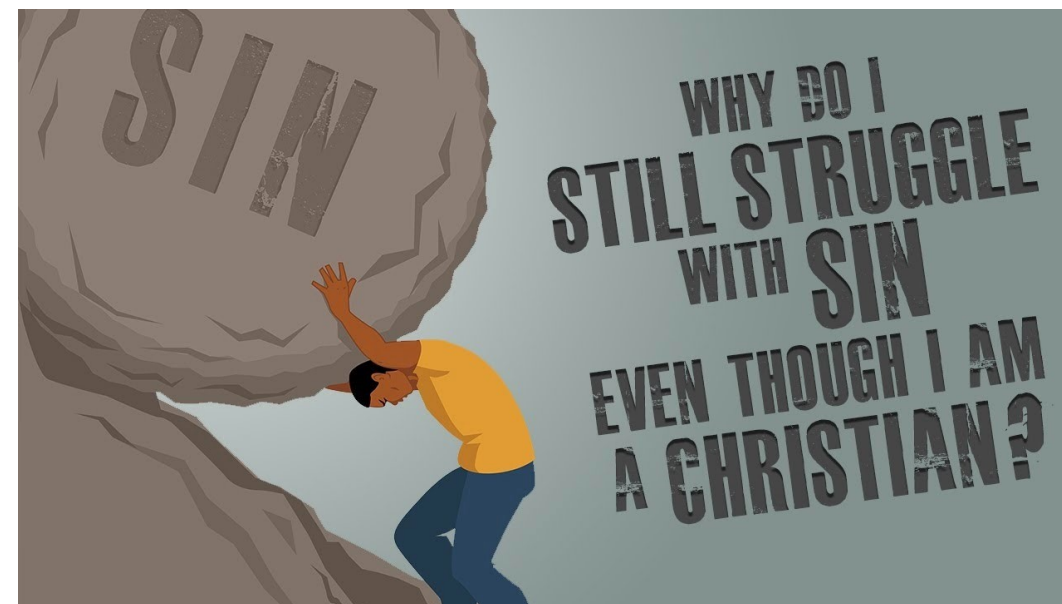
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Pastor: Rev. Mark Gregory **Ministers: The Congregation**
Worship: 10:00 A.M.

August 27, 2017



As We Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

Practice means to perform, over and over again in the face of all obstacles, some act of vision, of faith, of desire. Practice is a means of inviting the perfection of the Divine. ~Martha Graham

Don't only practice your art, but force your way into its secrets; art deserves that, for it and knowledge can raise man to the Divine. ~ Ludwig van Beethoven

Failure happens all the time. It happens every day in practice. What makes you better is how you react to it. ~Mia Hamm

We Gather Together

Prelude:
Lighting the Path
Ringling of the Bells
Welcome and Trinitarian Greeting

Tina Andersen, Organist

A Time for Praise and Preparation

Call to Worship:

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Let us praise God in this sanctuary;

Leader: Praise God for God's mighty deeds;

People: Praise God according to God's surpassing greatness!

Leader: Praise God with clanging cymbals;

ALL: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Opening Hymn: *May Jesus Christ be Praised* *Chalice Hymnal #100*

Children's Message

***Prayer of Invocation:**

God of grace, in this hour of worship, fill me with the power of your Spirit, because as I leave this place, and go out into the world, I will need your Spirit's power so that my love will be genuine, and not a mask that I conveniently put on when I come in here, and take off as I leave. Lead me each day to care more fully, to give more freely, to relate more deeply and to live each moment as someone who is one with you. In the name of him who was consistently one with you, Jesus. 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.

***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 & 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:**

Holy God, my gifts today, given with gratitude and praise, are meant to bring hope to the suffering, serve the needs of my brothers and sisters and extend your love to strangers. Bless the work of my hands and my gifts, so that through their use, your name might be known and your love may be felt the world over. In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

Scripture Background

Scripture Lessons: Romans 7:14-25

For we know that the law is spiritual; but I am of the flesh, sold into slavery under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Message:

A Place of Practice

Pastor Mark Gregory

Preparing for a Week of Serving

***The Closing Hymn:** *And They'll Know We Are Christians* *Chalice Hymnal #494*

~ Carrying the Light into the World ~

***The Commissioning, Benediction and Response:**

Postlude:

Tina Andersen