

This Week's Calendar - September 24 - 30, 2017

Sunday	CROP Walk - Oswego Presbyterian	1:00pm
Monday	PADS Volunteer Meeting	6:30pm
Tuesday	Preschool Screening	12:00pm
	Grief Share	7:00pm
Wednesday	Newsletter Mailing	9:00am
	Bible Study	12:00pm
	Choirs	5:30-7:00pm
	Alpha Group	5:15pm
Thursday	Pastor Mark on Vacation thru October 3rd	

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

Monday	Al Behrens	
Wednesday	Jenna Anderson	
Thursday	Pat Stewart	
Friday	Laryssa Hufstetler	Mark Gregory

Next Week's Calendar - October 1-7, 2017

Sunday	Laity Sunday - Joe Duran	9:00am
	Communion - Mike Obenauer	
	Pastor Mark Off	
Tuesday	Bible Study	5:00pm
	Grief Share	7:00pm
	Stephen Ministry	7:00pm
Wednesday	Bible Study	12:00pm
	Alpha Group	5:15pm
	Choirs	5:30-8:00pm
	Brownie Troop Meeting	6-7:15pm
Thursday	Boy Scouts	6:00pm
	CE Team Meeting	6:15pm
Friday	Life Link Screenings	8:30am-5pm
Saturday	FALL FEST	11am-1pm

Offerings for September 17, 2017

Operating	\$6,103.00
Designated	\$160.35
Attendance	107

Worship Assistants for October 1, 2017

<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Greeters:</u>
June Davis	10/1 - Earl & Mary Ellen
<u>Church Guardians</u>	Bushnell
Andy Hamblin (9/24)	
Becky Jerabek (10/1)	



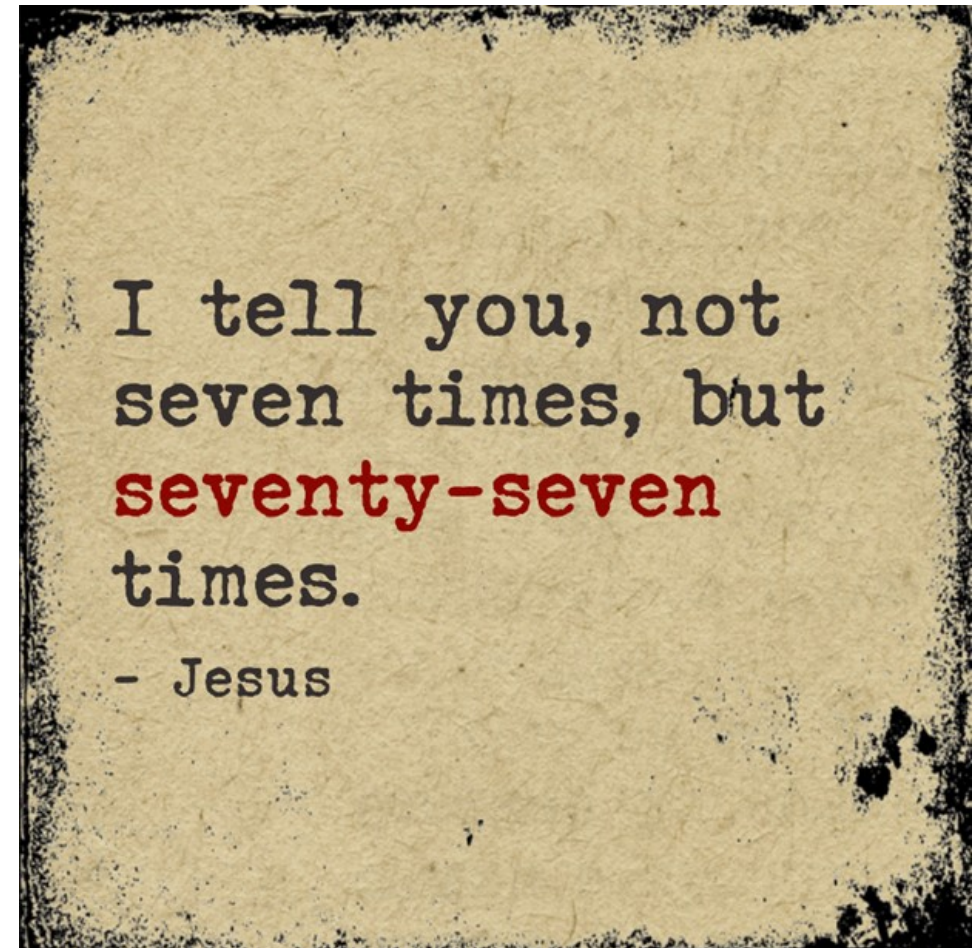
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Pastor: Rev. Mark Gregory **Ministers: The Congregation**
Worship: 10:00 A.M.

September 24, 2017



As We Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

There is no love without forgiveness, and there is no forgiveness without love. ~Bryant H. McGill

When you forgive, you in no way change the past - but you sure do change the future.

~Bernard Meltzer

To forgive is to set a prisoner free and discover that the prisoner was you. ~Lewis B. Smedes

Forgiveness is the final form of love.

~Reinhold Niebuh

We Gather Together

Prelude:

Tina Andersen, Organist

Lighting the Path

Ringing of the Bells, Welcome and Trinitarian Greeting

Introit: *All Hail the Power*

Shaw/Parker

A Time for Praise and Preparation

Call to Worship:

Leader: Our God calls us to worship.

People: I am here, God, I am here.

Leader: We have made a choice to be here today.

People: I am here, God, I am here.

Leader: It is a joy to gather in sacred community, to sing our praises together.

People: I am here, God, I am here.

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

ALL: We are here, God, to worship and adore you!

Opening Hymn:

The Heart of Worship

Supplemental Hymnal #8

Children's Message

***Prayer of Invocation:**

Gracious God, in this time of worship, transform my heart that I might become an instrument of your grace. Transform the hearts of all those gathered here, and weave us into a community that reaches out into the world with your love and grace. Bless our differences and give us courage to stand together. And lead us all to better know you and glorify you on each step of the journey of our lives. In the name of 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

**Please pray for the family & friends of members of our church.

Bill Andersen

Fred Anderson

Lynn Belcher

Mary Cass

Gueseppina Cirrincione

Doc Coleman

Todd Davis

Michael Franciose

Bob Freeman

Mary Freeman

Michael Heinrich

Henning Family

Joe Hudgins

Joseph Jaeger

Sandy Lindblom

Holly Mann

Olivia Mann

Ed Niesen

Joanne O'Brien

John Patterson

Ethel Perkins

Jack Ryder

Mary Lee Swickert

Robert Turner

Sandy Veselka

Marie Wayne

The Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response:

Lord Listen to Your Children

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:**

Take my whole self, body, mind and spirit, O God, and use me to do your work in this world. Take my gifts, the resources I bring, and use them to further your reign in the world. In Jesus name, Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

Anthem:

Lead Me, Guide Me

(Carter)

Scripture Background

Scripture Lessons:

Matthew 18:21-22

Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times."

Message:

Seventy-Seven Times

Pastor Mark Gregory

Preparing for a Week of Serving

***The Closing Hymn:**

This Is My Song

Chalice Hymnal #722

~ Carrying the Light into the World ~

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

Postlude:

Tina Andersen