

Prayer List

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

This Week's Calendar - September 3-9, 2017

Monday	Church/Office Closed - Happy Labor Day	
Tuesday	Bible Study	5:00pm
	Grief Share	7:00pm
	Stephen Ministry	
Wednesday	Bible Study	12:00pm
	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

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

Saturday	Carrie DeFuss	Joe Runkle	Marilyn Vogus	Rick Falato
Sunday	Dave Patterson			
Monday	Aimee & Troy List - 18 years		Frank & Phyllis Yabsley - 35 years	
Tuesday	Ruth Prince			
Wednesday	Bob & Barb Thurlby - 20 years			
Thursday	Kristine Arch			
Friday	Tracy Andrus			

This Week's Calendar - September 10-16, 2017

Sunday	Missions	9:00am
	Outreach & Welcoming	11:00am
	**Bring in racks & set up	
Tuesday	Preschool Screening	12:00pm
	Bible Study	5:00pm
	Grief Share	7:00pm
	Stewardship	
Wednesday	Pastoral Care	10:00am
	Bible Study	12:00pm
	Alpha Group	5:15pm
	Pastoral Care	6:00pm
	Adult Choir	7:00pm
Thursday	Financial Committee Meeting	6:00pm
	SLT Meeting	7:00pm
Saturday	Men's Fellowship	9:00am



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

September 3, 2017



As We Prepare Our Hearts for Worship

Life is going to throw you some blocks. You will decide if they are going to be your stumbling blocks or your building blocks.
~Saji Ijiyemi

A stepping-stone can be a stumbling block if we can't see it until after we have tripped over it.

~Cullen Hightower

We Gather Together

Tina Andersen, Organist

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

A Time for Praise and Preparation

Call to Worship:

Leader: Jesus said, "Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

People: **And so we gather today in Christ's name.**

Leader: We come to praise God, and to be renewed and strengthened in our faith.

People: **We come to remember God's simple truth for us: in all things, may we love one another.**

Leader: Come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

ALL: **Come, let us worship God.**

Opening Hymn: *We Gather Together* *Chalice Hymnal #276*

***Prayer of Confession:**

Loving God, I confess my sins of commission, and omission – the things I have done that have separated me from you, and from my brothers and sisters gathered here today. I confess the things I have failed to do that would draw me closer to you and to my brothers and sisters in this community. Forgive me. And then challenge me. When I become complacent, or when I am not sure what to say or do, give me the courage to speak out and stand up for what is right. When I want to turn away from being loving, just, and fair, call me back to following the way of Your Son. Shape me as his disciple: loved, forgiven, and called to do and say what is right. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Pastor: Because God loves us and will always love us, we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***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."

Missions Moment

Announcements, Joys & Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Responding to God's Gifts and Grace

The Call for the Offering

The Offertory: **Love Thy Neighbor Ministry**

***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:**

Gracious and giving God, I am grateful that you love me – always and without condition. With gratitude, I offer these gifts that, through common mission and ministry I share with others in this church, I may participate in acts that spread to others the love you have shared with me. In Jesus name, I pray. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

Scripture Background

Scripture Lessons: **Romans 12:9-21**

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Message: *Magna Carta Liberatum of The Christian Faith* *Pastor Mark Gregory*

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION - SEE SCREEN

Preparing for a Week of Serving

***The Closing Hymn:** *Mighty to Save* *Supplementary Hymnal #11/page 16*

~ Carrying the Light into the World ~

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

Postlude: **Tina Andersen**

Offerings for August 27, 2017		Worship Assistants for September 3, 2017	
Operating	\$2,483.00	<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Greeters:</u>
Designated	\$20.00	John Morello	9/10 - Joanne Vitek &
Attendance	118	<u>Church Guardians</u>	Pat Stewart
		Ben Moe (9/3)	
		Fred Dickson (9/10)	