

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, Sept 4th

5:45 pm – Potluck Supper

6:30 pm – Contemporary

Worship Service &

Communion

This is also Confirmation

kick-off!

Wed, Sept 4th 6:30 pm

Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, Sept 8th

Liturgist: Ron Fox

Accompanist: Gail Keck

Greeters: Mary Ochs,

Betty Fenske

Ushers: Diana Porter, Audrey

Brod, AB Russ, Ray Wigern

Parents & other interested people are invited to be part of our ministry to children.

Let Pastor Russ know if you are interested in serving as:

- Children's Church Leader (Ages Preschool – Grade 2), 9:30

– 10 am, once a month

- Sunday School Teacher (Upper Elementary), 10:10 – 10:45

- Wednesday Night Teacher (Elementary), 7 – 7:30 pm, once

a month

- Kid's Bible Club helper (Elementary), 2:30 – 4:10 pm,

Wednesdays, October – April

- Trunk or Treat event organizer (Annual event)

Please keep Gail Keck in your prayers as she will be traveling to **Sierra Leone on a Medical Mission Trip** September 9th-22nd, 2019. Gail has paid her own way, so any money donated will go to Africa Uplifted to be used for their ongoing projects. **Africa Uplifted** is a charity whose mission is to enrich the lives of the people of Sierra Leone by promoting basic wellness, removing barriers to education, satisfying essential physical needs, nurturing spiritual development, and creating economic opportunities. You can find much more about Africa Uplifted at their website at www.africauplifted.org. If you'd like to assist in monetary donations for Sierra Leone please put "Africa Uplifted" in your check memo in Sunday's offering.

Coping with the death of a loved one? A Grief Support Group can help you. Please see the flyer hanging in the Narthex or call Naomi Segar at 507-526-7970 for more information. Meetings will be held in Blue Earth and Fairmont beginning September 9th.

Technology: David Sparks

Liturgist: Ron Fox

Accompanist: Staci Thompson

Greeters: Mary Ochs, Betty Fenske

Ushers: Diana Porter, Audrey Brod, AB Russ, Ray Wigern

If you would like to sponsor Hope's Radio Broadcast on KBEW, 1560 AM, please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex or call 526-2144.



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Church office hours are 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM; Tuesday & Thursday

Worship Celebration for September 1, 2019

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

*Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Sisters and brothers, hear the sweet invitation of Jesus:

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

Leader: Jesus invites you now to a time of rest.

People: We come, bearing burdens and cares.

L: Place your lives in the loving hands of God

P: May God heal our spirits and strengthen us.

L: Trust in God who is always with you.

P: Lord, this day we come to you in faith and trust for your healing mercies. AMEN.

*Opening Prayer

Liturgist: Let's open our hearts to the living God by spending several moments in silent prayer. *All pray in silence.*

***Song of Praise** *“10,000 Reasons”*

Old Testament Reading *Exodus 20:8-11*

Song of Trust *The Faith We Sing #2128*
“Come and Find the Quiet Center”

Unison Congregational Prayer

Jesus, I often find myself stressed. Help me to accept your invitation to come empty and receive the rest I need. Help me to willingly release my fear, my worries, my agenda, and my to-do list. Ease the tension and replenish my body. Silence the voices of doubt and speak Your words of truth. Remove the heaviness of my day and pour out abundantly into my life. Fill me with Your peace, joy, and love. Fill me until the overwhelm is consumed by Your grace, and my life reflects the beauty of resting in You. Amen.

Children's Message

Pastor Judy Clark

Gathering Song Hymn #405 “Seek Ye First” Verse 1

Sharing of Joys & Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Reading *Hebrews 4:1-11*

Message *“Rest”*

Song of Preparation *Hymn #472 “Near to the Heart of God”*

The Lord's Supper

Communion Songs

Hymn #77 “How Great Thou Art”

Hymn #369 “Blessed Assurance”

***Response** *“Go Now In Peace”*

***Benediction** *Numbers 6:24-26*

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD turn his face toward you
and give you peace.