

# The Saturday Bulletin for September 27

## Our Sunday Morning Service at 9:00am

Just a reminder about arrival and parking:

**If you are planning to stay in your car**, please enter the west parking lot from Chapel Street and park facing the church. Tune your radio to 87.9 FM and sit back and relax.

**If you are bringing a lawn chair and will join the group up near Howie for worship**, please enter the south parking lot from Blackhawk Blvd., park your car, and **remember to use those great “social distancing marks”** when bringing your chairs to join the group.



### This Week's Calendar September 27, 2020

Sun.	9/27	7:00am <b>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> (using Zoom)  9:00am <b>SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE</b> in RUMC parking lot Also streaming online (watch for email with the link)
Mon.	9/28	<b>All Church Conference</b> (using Zoom) <b>SPRC 5:45pm</b> <b>Membership 6:30pm</b>
Thurs.	10/1	10:00am <b>STUDY GROUP</b> (using Zoom)

## All Church Conference Monday, September 28th

(5:45 pm SPRC)

**6:30 PM**

**Our Zoom login information:**

**Please CALL the Church for Log-in  
Information: 815-624-7591**

**Committees Chairs**, please put together an **Annual Report for your Committee** and **submit it to Howie via Email by 3PM on Monday**. If you need help with getting it to him via email or need to drop a report off, please contact Gail Johnson or Howie so that arrangements can be made to get it to Howie by Monday.

### LET US PRAY FOR...

Charlie Cunningham  
Derek Polzin  
David Dach  
Jim Stamm  
Marcia Blean (Nancy  
Bielema's sister)  
  
John Martin  
Jerry Hubble  
Darin Davis  
Melinda Croisant



**The family of:** Jeanne Fordham

*Please email your prayer requests to Howie by Saturday if possible. We will be able to include those names on the prayer list for Sunday's service.*

### Don't Forget to Bring This Week's Pantry Donations

**Caritas:** Full-size Shampoo and Conditioner  
**Old Stone Pantry:**



### Canned Meats

(Tuna, Pink  
Salmon, Spam  
Chicken, etc.)

# Order of Worship

## September 27, 2020

**Prelude** – via CD

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Call to Worship**

We come to worship and praise our God,  
and to learn more about the wonders of our God.  
**How great and wonderful is our Compassionate God.**

We come, with ears and hearts open to God,  
ready to discover more of God's mysteries and miracles.  
**How generous and caring is our Unchanging God.**

We gather to share together in our common history,  
and to experience the enrichment which that brings us.  
**All praise and honor to God for past and present  
blessings, and for God's merciful love and grace. Amen.**

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### **A Statement of Faith**

We are the people of God.

We are a sign of the New World.

We are the sisters and brothers of Jesus.

We believe in God. We believe in the goodness of God, the presence of God in human history, and the nearness of God's love.

We believe in Christ. We believe that God was and is revealed in human life, that out of human suffering may come rescue and healing, that out of death comes new life.

We believe in the Eternal Spirit, who moves among God's people and invited the world into God's reign. We believe that the world can change, that peace and wholeness can come, that the New World can arrive.

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(David Beebe, *Flames of the Spirit*, edited by Ruth Duck, Pilgrim Press, p. 92)

### **Passing the Peace with Sign Language**

**Worship in Song**      *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*      UMH #400

(verse 1)

Come Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

(verse 2)

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

(verse 3)

Oh, to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, Oh, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

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## **Pastoral Prayer**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

**Scripture**      Exodus 17:1-7                      Matthew 21:23-32

**Sermon**      God With Us / At-One-Ment      The Rev. Howie Snyder

### **Offering Prayer**

God rescued us from slavery; God was a bridge over troubled waters; God led us by day and night. God gave water when we were thirsty, food when we were hungry, our shepherd by day and night. God forgives; God accepts; God atones. And out of our deep gratitude, we give back a measure of Your generous love, oh God. Use them to your glory, your kin-dom made present and real. Amen.

### **Benediction**

Friends in Christ,  
our God is patient, steadfast, and understanding.  
Christ hears our cries of repentance.  
The Lord knows our hearts, inside and out.  
The One who created us promises to care for us,  
even when we turn away.  
Hear these words of forgiveness.  
Be strengthened to walk as disciples.  
Trust in God's mercy.  
And go in the strength that mercy's peace offers. Amen.