

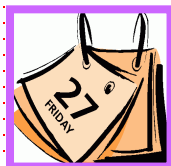
The Saturday Bulletin for September 13

Our Sunday Morning Service

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 13, 2020

- Sun. 9/13 7:00am **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** (using Zoom)
9:00am **SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE** in RUMC parking lot Also streaming online (watch for email with the link)
- Thurs. 9/17 10:00am **STUDY GROUP** (using Zoom)
- Mon. 9/28 All Church Conference



LET US PRAY FOR...

Charlie Cunningham
Derek Polzin
David Dach
John McCurdy
John Martin
Jeanne Fordham
Donna Sullivan

Jerry Hubble
Darin Davis

Marcia Blean
(Nancy Bielema's sister)

The families of:

Fred Beck (Jan Floto's brother)
Keith Knoespel (on the loss of his father)

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 Meals

Chili, Stews, Soups,
Chef Boyardee canned ravioli, spaghetti, etc.

All Church Conference (on Zoom)

Monday, September 28th

SPRC - 5:45 Membership 6:30-7:30

Watch for details in the coming weeks.



Many thanks to those of you who have already contributed to the sanctuary repair fund! If you wish to donate, please indicate on the check memo line, or your offering envelope, that it is for the sanctuary fund. We are hopeful we can reach our goal of \$50,000!

Order of Worship

September 13, 2020

Prelude – via CD

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Sing praise to God who rescues us when we fall!

Sing praise to God who walks with us on all our journeys!

Even though we fall, God lifts us and places us on paths of peace.

Even though we stray, God finds us and brings us back to lives of hope.

Thanks be to God, whose love is continually with us.

Praise be to God, whose mercy is over us all. AMEN.

Passing the Peace with Sign Language

Worship in Song *Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling* *UMH #348*

Verse 1

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me;

See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

Come home, come home; ye who are weary come home;

Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!

Verse 2

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me?

Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me?

Come home, come home, ye who are weary come home;

Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!

Verse 3

O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me!

Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.

Come home, come home; ye who are weary come home;

Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, O sinner, come home!

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Exodus 14:30-31 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35

Sermon *Seventy times Seven* The Rev. Howie Snyder

Offering Prayer

God of our salvation, we remember that day when the Israelites, escaping their captors, were rescued by you, as you parted the sea to let them cross. We offer our gifts to you in thankfulness for all your blessings, mindful of those who have so much less. Then we remember that we have been blessed to be a blessing. May the lives we live this day and every day be an offering of blessing, a covenant to be a part of making things right in this world. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

This is the table, not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, You who have tried to follow and all of us who have failed. These are the gifts of God for the People of God. Christ invites everyone to be known and fed here.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God.

We come to the Lord's table as chosen people. We come in our brokenness and in our desire for life lived out of love.

People: O God, in our inmost spirits, transform our sharing of bread and wine into an opening of us into you, into one another, into creation. Increase your life within us so that we may more totally be the body of Christ.

Words of Invitation

Friends, all persons who sincerely turn away from sin, and desire to live a new life of loving and doing God's will, are welcome to receive this sacrament in faith.

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. She who comes to me shall never hunger; he who believes in me shall never thirst." Come. Believe.

Words of Institution

On the night of his arrest Jesus took bread, and after giving thanks to God, broke it and said, "This is my body which is for you; do this remembering me."

Breaking of the Bread

After supper Jesus took the cup and said, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood; whenever you drink it, do this remembering me." Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your Holy Church, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

Benediction

As you have been forgiven, now go into a world that needs your forgiving, healing presence. Be instruments of peace and hope to others, sharing God's love with them. AMEN.