



The first Sunday in October (October 7th) is designated as World Communion Sunday, which celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world.

Our Prayer List

- *Cindy Parcell* is having a procedure in Denver this week and would be grateful for your prayers.
- Comfort to *Robin Edwards* and her family following the passing of her father, *Edward Smith*, on 9/18.
- *Ann Saunder's* daughter *Kathy Chism*, in serious condition after a bad fall and medical complications.
- *Liz King*, as she recovers from her successful knee replacement surgery.
- *Christy and Jeff Presseau* as Christy is in need of a kidney transplant.
- *Summer Foley*, her family and her father, *Bruce*, who has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer as they make decisions for treatment and care.
- *Sue Hornstra* as she anticipates another surgical procedure and further treatment for cancer.
- *Robin Edwards* and her *father*, who is struggling with health issues
- *Hellen Carter* and *Janice Reagan* as she continues to care for her mother
- *Whit & Mary Whitley* (the parents of Carole Wagner)
- *Nancy Bias* (sister of Dan Douglas)
- *Michael Chandler*
- *Harriet Knox* (mother of Carolyn Shute)
- Those in our congregation who are unavailable to attend church regularly due to illness or limited mobility.
- Our nation, its leaders and our troops serving around the globe.

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Sunday, September 23, 2018

IF YOU ARE A GUEST TODAY – WELCOME!

We are so glad you're here with us. Please sign the guest register with your contact information so we can thank you for being with us today.

We are a community of faith seeking to follow Christ. If you are looking to follow Jesus in your daily life with the support and fellowship of a company of believers, you have found the right place. If you seek to commit to active involvement in worship, service and study, we invite you to join us in membership!

Thank You to Today's Volunteers!

Ushers/Greeters: *Julie Johnson & Bruce Clatterbuck*

Lay Reader: *Jeff Presseau*

Children's Sunday School: *Summer Foley*

Refreshments: *Kim & Steve Chau*

Sound Board: *Steve Harmon*

Our Upcoming Weeks at a Glance

Session: Monday, September 24, 7 p.m., Pastor's Office

Deacons: Tuesday, September 25, 7 p.m., Pastor's Office

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, September 26, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Choir Warm-up: Sunday, September 30, 8:50 a.m., Choir Room

Worship Service: Sunday, September 30, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary. This 5th Sunday service will be in the Celtic tradition.

Holy Hops! Meeting: Tuesday, October 2, 6 p.m., Steve Chau's home

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesday, October 3, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Choir Warm-Up: Sunday, October 7, 8:50 a.m., Choir Room

World Communion Sunday - Worship Service: Sunday, October 7, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Adult Sunday School Starts (Book of Revelation): Sunday, October 7, 10:45 a.m.



On every fifth Sunday, we worship in the Celtic tradition. Our next Celtic service will be held on September 30th, at the normal worship time of 9:30 a.m.

In Celtic worship, God's revelation can come through the ears, by listening to and participating in music. As the Word and music shape our understanding through hearing, art and scenes from our life together will bring us new and deeper insight through seeing. The service on the 30th will feature times for silent meditation and contemplation. During these times, we invite you to relax your mind and open your heart.

Adult Sunday School Begins October 7

Pastors to Lead Class on Book of Revelation

Please mark your calendar for October 7 and plan to attend the start of the fall Adult Sunday School series on the Book of Revelation, with the class and discussions led by our pastors Robert Johnson and Eric Douglass. Adult Sunday School is held from 10:45-11:45 a.m., following the Sunday service. Everyone is welcome to join our thought-provoking discussions.

Women's Study Group

It is time for the Women's Study Group (Women's Bible Study) to begin again. We will be meeting the same time and place as last year, the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:15 in the Rowe Room. Our first meeting is October 9th.

We will be studying the book, Stages of Faith, by James Fowler. This book will enlarge your understanding of faith and the various ways it gives your life meaning and depth beyond the conventional religion and belief definitions.

Stages of Faith takes us on a journey that not only inspires us to be better Christians, but more importantly, teaches us tolerance of others who are not in the same place we are theologically.

Books will be available next week in the church office or after church near refreshments. I urge you to read the Introduction and Chapter One before we meet on the 9th. This is not a difficult book but each chapter is packed with new concepts and ideas.

If you have questions, call Terry Diebold at (540)455-4186 or email to terrydiebold@gmail.com

Today...

... the children continue with a series on Gratitude in the Children's Sunday School.

We look forward to having children ages 4 to 10 join us. Each week they will take an amazing journey through the bible to find God's grace and all the abundant gifts He gave to His people. They will also explore their own gratitude for all God has provided in their lives. It is informative, fun and full of God's grace and gratitude.

If you would like to volunteer and be a part of teaching this series, please sign-up on the sheets in the Narthex - Thank you!

... the nursery is open for children up to 4 years of age.

...please join us for refreshments and fellowship, after the Service, in Laburnum Commons.

This Week's NEWS...

The weekly contribution amount needed to meet budget is \$4,783, which enables us to continue to do God's work in the community. Last week we received \$1,607.26.