

Assemble in God’s Name

Prelude
Ringing of the Church Bell

Welcome
Read Vision Statement

God’s timeless love transforms each of us to joyously continue the ministry of Jesus Christ in our community and in our world.

***Call to Worship**
The Lord hears us when we cry out. **Praise the Lord!**
The Lord showers us with blessings. **Praise the Lord!**
Let us lift up the name of the Lord for all to hear! **Praise the Lord!**
Let us sing of God’s endless grace and compassion! **Let us worship God!**

***Prayer of Invocation**
O Lord God, enliven and preserve Your church with Your perpetual mercy. Without Your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***Hymn #435** *“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”*
***Call to Confession**
Blessed be the Holy Trinity, One God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

***Prayer of Confession**
Compassionate God, **we confess to You all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In Your mercy, call us back to You. Your yoke is easy and Your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in Your peace. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.**

***Silent Prayers of Confession**
***Assurance of Pardon**

Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our sins are forgiven. Rest in God’s love. **Amen.**

***Response: #582** *“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”*
1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose life has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
2 World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

***Share the Peace of Christ with One Another**

Proclaim God’s Word

Prayer of Illumination
Let us pray: **O Lord our God, Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive Your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to Your will and live always for Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Romans 13:8-14
8 Owe no one anything, except to love one another, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; you shall not murder; you shall not steal; you shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” 10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.
11 Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; 12 the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; 13 let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. 14 Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 119:33-40
33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.
34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching; I shall keep it with all my heart.
35 Lead me in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.
36 Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.
37 Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood; give me life in your way.
38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, which is for those who fear you.
39 Turn away the reproach that I dread, because your judgments are good.
40 Behold, I long for your commandments; by your righteousness enliven me.

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20
[Jesus said to the disciples:] 15 “If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. 16 But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Sermon
***Hymn #366** *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”*

Quentin Markfort

***The Apostle’s Creed:** (page 35 in hymnal)

Announcements, Sharing of Joys and Concerns
The Prayers of the Church
L: Lord in your mercy.
P: Hear our prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer: (page 35 in hymnal)

Give Thanks to God

Call for the Offering
Blessed are You, God of all creation; through Your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for Your glory and for the service of Your kingdom.
Blessed be God forever.

God’s Tithes and Your Offering Received
Offertory

***Responsive Hymn: #710 “Lift Our Voices”**
1 We lift our voices, we lift our hands. We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering. Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands. Lord use our lives they are yours, we are an offering
2. All that we have, all that we are. All that we hope to be we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands. We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering. We are an offering.

***Offertory Prayer**
O God, maker of heaven and earth, Your steadfast love embraces all creation. You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth and bring forth its bounty. Through these gifts of bread and wine, draw us into the death and life of Your Son, who calls us to bear witness to His saving work. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

***Hymn #821 “My Life Flows on in Endless Song”**

***Benediction:** Isaiah 6:3
May the blessing of the Trinity— holy, holy, holy Lord— be with you now and always.
Alleluia!

***Postlude**

**Please stand in body or spirit.*
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September 6, 2026
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2026 Per-Capita: \$47.00 per person

September Ushers: Head Usher: Don Dagner
Usher: Scott Goodyear, Dale & Sandy Starr, Michael & Rhonda Joldersma, Paul Hagen

September Communion Servers (September 13): Head Server: Rick Hauge, Shari Fuhr, Scott Goodyear, Michael Joldersma, Nancy Miller, Sonya Alexander, Dan Alexander

September Deacon of the Month: Shannon Sweetman
Today's Greeter: Jenifer Hindt

September Money Counters: Michael Joldersma, Nancy Miller
October Money Counters: Nathan Stephens, Sonya Alexander
November Money Counters: Nathan Stephens, Leon King
December Money Counters: Bob Alexander, Laura Kohler

Calendar of Events ~ Looking at the Weeks Ahead

Sunday, September 6: 10:15 am: Worship
Tuesday, September 8: 5:30 pm: Session Meeting
Wednesday, September 9: 3:00 pm: Bible Study
5:00 pm: Deacon Meeting

Sunday, September 13: 9:00 am: Sunday School
9:15 am: Choir Practice
10:15 am: Worship - Holy Communion
11:15 am: Friendship Dinner
Monday, September 14: 5:30-9:00 pm: Scouts Use of Church
Tuesday, September 15: Church Office Closed
All Day: Presbytery Use of Church
6:30 pm: Scouts Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 16: 9:00 am: Piecemakers
3:00 pm: Bible Study
4-5:15 pm: Youth Club at Lower Shelter Ramsey Park
5:00 pm: Deacon Meeting

Our Sunday morning service is on our local channels...

Nuvera (Channel 3), Media-Com (Channel 8): Mondays at 10 am, Wednesdays at 7 pm!

Pray for The Following

For Prayers: Please contact the Prayer Chain: Char Gilland @ 507- 640 - 0210
Pray for people living in our communities, the disenfranchised and people in other countries.
Pray for those who are having financial or marital difficulties.
Pray for those grieving the loss of a loved one.
Pray for our leaders at the city, county, state and national level and all military personnel.
Pray for those in need of food, medicine and shelter.
Pray for our local, national, world political leaders.

This week's Anniversaries: 8th: Dan & Shari Fuhr, Nancy & Kevin Miller
Members of our Church Family in Nursing Homes, Assisted Living or Other Facilities:
Bunny Nolting, Lois Tiffany, Marlys Verdoes
All Those Fighting Cancer: *Jim Curtis, Sally Sisk - Julie Fiala's Sister*
If you know of something/someone to add to the Prayer List, please contact the church office.