

Pastor, Sandi Perl **Elly Stempien, Organist**
Ron Miller, Choir Director **Gene James, Worship Leader**

WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

***SONG OF PRAISE (FWS) 2270 He Has Made Me Glad**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE** - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love. (Kids can sit in the front row with Pastor Sandi when they are finished greeting others)

Choir Anthem **Someone Is There**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: From the font of grace to the table of remembrance; both symbols of your love, O God.

C: From the font of grace to the table of remembrance; both moments shared with the divine.

L: From the font of grace to the table of remembrance we come in expectation and the risen Lord meets us here. Amen.

***MORNING REFLECTION**

An individual lost in thought (albeit the wrong thought) during a Communion service.

Would you look at that? That Pastor is wearing a sleeveless shirt, with sneakers on. Where is the dignity? Would you look at that?

Mary (third from the left) has a bright red dress on; a little bit over the top if you ask me. Where is the respect? Hang on a minute— is that a child over there at the side of the church and his mom is just giving him a candy out of her bag to keep him quiet. I am not sure I approve of him being here in the first place. Wait a second – did the Pastor invite kids to serve communion?

You can't be serious they don't know a thing about communion. Know your place! If I am not mistaken the minister has forgotten to serve herself (or be served) and the communion stewards are now on their way out to the congregation. That can't be right. It is not the usual way we do things. What about tradition? Oh, dear that's a shame— Bill has gone up the wrong aisle, he's messed up the flow. That will cause confusion. I wonder if someone will miss their chance to receive the bread?

What someone drops their bread in the "wine"? They really should practice more. Look at that big gap while people get in line. How is that going to work? You can't expect old Albert to shuffle along – there will be a

collision of the canes. Is there not a better way than this? Oh dear. "Sorry Alison, I was somewhere else and didn't realize the bread was waiting....". She didn't need to nudge me though! I have gone and spilled some bread. Here's the wine now.

Good, we are nearly done! Wait a minute, though, this wine tastes awful. Not like the old days when you really did get a wine with a 'kick'. I wish communion could be done the way it was when we had the old Communion Steward. What was that? How am I supposed to get back to MY seat with all of these people just standing here....Well, I'm glad that's over!

HYMN OF PRAISE (UMH) 92 For The Beauty of the Earth

PRAY TIME/PRAYER HYMN 473 Lead Me Lord

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 temptations, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

PARTY WITH THE PREACHER

***OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY (p 95)**

What we offer, Lord, may be like crumbs from the table, but we lay them before you trusting you will gather them and believing that with your blessing they will help fill the needs of your church and of your people. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 65 (p 527), 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 (p. 173)

MESSAGE

CLOSING HYMN (UMH) 77 How Great Thou Art

***GOOD NEWS**

Send us out, O God! Sent to be friends to others, sent to share and show your nourishing, sent to be your messengers of hope. Amen.

FWS –Faith We Sing UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Join us for fellowship today after worship with our hosts' Waneta and Helen

THIS WEEK (8/27/17) * please be in the Choir Room at 8:50am for prayer.

Greeters: Art and Ruth Miller
Ushers: Laurie and John Prinzivalli
Scripture Reader: Sarah Stackhouse
Fellowship: Waneta Nielsen and Helen Schillinger
Sunday School: Marguerite Miller
Counters: Elly Stempien and Dick Smith
Nursery: Blanche Fingar and Phil Pearce
Door Greeter: Erin Brady
Prayer Minister: Babs Steinart

SERVING NEXT WEEK (9/3/17) * please be in the Choir Room at 8:50am for prayer.

Greeters: Meredith Nielsen and Barb Allart
Ushers: Blanche and Dor Fingar
Scripture Reader: Barbara Bailey
Fellowship:
Sunday School: Pam Althouse
Counters: Elly Stempien and Linda Folts
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Laurie Prinzivalli
Door Greeter: Kish Swift
Prayer Minister: Chris Wyant

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Backpack and Lesson Plan Blessing – September 3 -
Bring your Backpacks and Lessons Plans to church

Picnic and Bonfire – September 9th – 5:30pm – Pastor
Sandi and Dave's Home – Please bring a dish to share and
join the fun.

Blanket Sunday – September 10th

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