

CROSSROADS UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE

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This bulletin is dedicated "In Memory of Cole Bochuk"
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We Gather as God's People

Lighting the Christ Candle

One: We begin our worship with an invitation – come, Lord Jesus, be among us this morning.

All: Move our hearts and souls with scripture, reflection, prayers and music, that our fellowship together may be pleasing in your sight.

Welcome & Announcements

Minute for Mission

Call to Worship:

One: From the voices of prophets we hear that when we call on God, God answers.

All: God will be with us in times of trouble, in times of challenge.

One: God will hug us and hold us.

All: God will heal us.

One: God is the one in whom we can find refuge, strength, and courage for the road ahead.

All: Come, let's open our hearts to welcome God around, among us, and within us.

Hymn #28 [MV] *God of the Bible* (v.1, 4, 5)

Opening Prayer

One: End of summer!

All: Beginning of autumn!

One: Trees change, nights lengthening, seasons turning.

All: The world keeps moving on.

One: And so do we: heading back to school and work, coming together for in-person worship.

All: We've been called by you, O God, to return to this gathering, a gathering of Christ's people.

One: For the summer fun,

All: thank you, God!

One: For the autumn harvests,

All: thank you, God!

One: For being with us so that we can truly celebrate your presence,

All: thank you, God! Alleluia! Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #365 [VU] *Jesus Loves Me*

Time With The Young-at-Heart

We Listen to God's Word

Scriptures: Exodus 16:2-15

Psalm 105 (#828-829, parts 1 & 4)

Matthew 20:1-16

Reflection

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn: #127 [MV] *I Saw the Rich Ones* (v.3)

Prayer of Confession

One: Merciful God, we come before you to confess that we haven't always been the people you intend us to be.

All: You intend us to use our gifts in service, yet sometimes our fears prevent us from offering ourselves.

One: You call us to give of our time in service, but instead sometimes we fill up our time with unnecessary busyness. Our gifts remain undiscovered treasures.

All: Forgive us and help us to say 'yes' to you so that your gifts might be brought to birth in us.

One: Help us say 'yes' so that the world around might be blessed by the good that you can do in and through us.

All: Help us to say 'yes', that we might be blessed as we give ourselves in blessing to a world in need. Amen.

Words of Assurance

One: In opening our souls to God's nurturing grace, we're freed and reborn.

All: In opening ourselves to Christ's healing power, we're freed for self-giving.

One: In opening our hearts to the Spirit's inspiration, we're freed for mission.

All: Therefore, we're blessed by our transformation. Thanks be to God!

Dedication of Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn: #651 [VU] *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Commissioning and Benediction

One: We go from here with a renewed sense of service to God and a deepened awareness of God's gifts to us.

All: We head into this week with replenished hearts and minds, assured of God's love for us and all God's children.

One: Together we're nurtured and inspired to grow and love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Crossroads

Board meeting: Monday, Sept.21st at 1:00 p.m. in Wawota

Communion: Worldwide Communion Sunday Oct.4th in both points

Wawota

M&S Tweekie Draw: IF you wore a coat today!

Worship: Regular services Sept.27th at 11:30 a.m.

RTR Fundraising Committee: LAST chance to get your favorite pie but remember (!) it is by PRE-ORDER only! Please call either Linda (536-8740) or Wendy (434-7943) by Thur. Sept.24th. Pies will be baked on Fri. Sep 25th and ready for pick up on Sat. Sep 26th. All our Jams and Preserves will also be available on Sat. Sep 26th. Thank you for your continued support!

Maryfield

Worship: Regular services Sept.27th at 9:30 a.m.