

CROSSROADS UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE

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We Gather as God's People

Lighting the Christ Candle

Introit: #122 [MV] *This Is the Day*

Welcome & Announcements

Minute for Mission

Call to Worship:

One: All creation has lessons for us in our Christian lives.

All: We come, ready to listen.

One: The winged creatures of the air have much instruction for us.

All: We come, ready to understand.

One: Social birds, birds of strength, energy and intelligence – they're all amazing.

All: We come, ready to thank the Creator for such variety and insight.

One: Let's take flight in our worship today.

Hymn: #176 [MV] *Three Things I Promise*

Opening Prayer

Creator God, we gain a deeper appreciation of the genius of your work in nature by examining the world of our feathered friends. Birds function as models for how we can live: the vision and intelligence of the eagle; the tireless endurance of the hummingbird; the long-lived loon despite its vulnerability; the intuitive curiousness of the magpie. Give us insight into how we can use similar traits to make our lives better. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #217 [VU] *All Creatures of Our God and King* (vs.1, 2, 3)

Time With The Young and the Young-at-Heart

We Listen For God's Word

Prayer of Illumination: Speak O Lord (Keith Getty, Stuart Townsend)
Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to receive the food of your holy Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in your likeness, That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all your purposes for your glory.

Scriptures: Genesis 1:20-23

Psalm 91 - #808

Matthew 10:29-31

Reflection

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn: #269 [VU] *The Care the Eagle Gives Her Young* (tune #344)

Prayer of Confession

One: The raven, jay and magpie show communicative, compassionate and self-aware traits.

All: Forgive us, God, when we fail to be the same.

One: The eagle, hawk and falcon show loyalty, intelligence and strength.

All: Forgive us, God, when we fail to be the same.

One: The hummingbird shows amazing flexibility and tireless endurance.

All: Forgive us, God, when we fail to be the same.

One: The loon shows lifelong commitment.

All: Forgive us, God, when we fail to be the same.

One: Unique, amazing, distinctive are only a few words that summarize the spirit of freedom birds show us.

All: We're grateful that God made everything in creation with imagination and purpose.

Words of Assurance

One: Our faith assures us of God's unfailing love for all who recognize their sins and confess the times when they've missed the mark of all God wants them to be.

All: For pardon and peace, we give thanks Amen.

Offering, Doxology (#544 VU *In Gratitude and Humble Trust*, tune #518) and Dedication

Prayers of the People

Hymn: #226 [VU] *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Commissioning and Benediction:

One: We go, rising on the wind like birds in flight.

All: watched over by the grace of God our Creator,

One: accompanied by our friend and savior Jesus Christ,

All: and guided by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

One: May the days ahead be filled with blessings as we live God's way in this world. Amen.

Response: Be With Us, O God

Be with us, O God, in the coming days

As we seek your will and we learn your ways;

Guide us with your truth; make your people one

As we live your love till our work is done.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Crossroads

Worship times: August to November: Wawota at 9:30 a.m., Maryfield at 11:30 a.m.

Crossroads Board meeting: Sunday, Sep. 22nd at 1:00 p.m. in Maryfield. Worship at 11:00 a.m., lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Wawota

M&S Twoonie Draw: IF you are hoping for more warm Fall weather!

Kid's Club: Wednesdays: Sep 16th, 23rd, 30th & Oct 7th @ 3:30 p.m.

DVL Visitation: Wednesday, Sep 18th @ 2:30 p.m.

No Service: Sep. 22nd in Wawota. All are invited to attend the Maryfield service and lunch.

Maryfield

Bible Study: Sep 19th & 26th at 10:00 a.m. in the Haven

Local Board Meeting: Thursday, Sep 19th at 1:30 pm