

## CROSSROADS UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE

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*This bulletin is dedicated "In Memory of Mary 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: This is the day you have made, O God, and we're the people you've made to live in it.

**All: So we come to worship.**

One: We come to celebrate where your Word touches our lives.

**All: We come in confession and praise,**

One: to hear your Word and share our concerns,

**All: to rededicate ourselves and receive the strength and nourishment to go forth and live the life you give.**

One: We come in the name of Jesus.

**All: We welcome into your presence with joy.**

Hymn: #240 [VU] *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

#### Opening Prayer

One: Spirit, life, and soul of creation, in moments of change, when everything we know starts to fade away before we know what's coming, bless us with confidence in your wisdom and guidance.

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**All: Remind us of the glory of the earth as the leaves begin to change.**

One: Help us to let go of what's no longer needed.

**All: Free us from holding tightly to old ways and habits when your Spirit calls us to a new day and a new way. We pray in the name of Jesus, our guide and our helper. Amen.**

#### Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #340 [VU] *Jesus, Friend of Little Children*

#### Time With The Young-at-Heart

### *We Listen to God's Word*

#### Prayer of Illumination

One: As we come to hear scripture today, O God, may we open ourselves to experience the intention that you've called us to fulfill and act upon.

**All: For the word of God before us, among us and within us, thanks be to God. Amen.**

Scriptures: Exodus 14:19-31

Psalm 112 (834 VU)

Matthew 18:21-35

#### Reflection

### *We Respond to God's Word*

Hymn: #81 [MV] *Love Us into Fullness*

#### Prayer of Confession

One: Creator God, we acknowledge that we often rush through our lives with little regard for the wonder and beauty around us.

**All: Too often we forget that we need to take to rest like you did after completing all your work, not from weariness but so that you could delight in all that had been made.**

One: May we be reminded that we too need to stop and rest.

**All: May we come today, letting go of the busyness of our lives, ready to absorb the wonder of your presence. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

#### Assurance of Pardon

One: Now hear the Good News! Like a loving Parent, God comes to us again and again, offering the healing power of forgiveness. God teaches us that faithfulness isn't success, but effort.

**All: God knows our intentions, and will use our strivings for their proper purposes. We're a forgiven people, held safely in God's arms. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**Dedication of Offering**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

## ***ANNOUNCEMENTS:***

### **Crossroads**

**Board meeting:** Monday, Sept.21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in Wawota

**Communion:** Worldwide Communion Sunday Oct.4<sup>th</sup> in both points

**In Memory Bulletins:** Due to Covid-19 and the shutdown of our churches, no memorial bulletins have been printed since March. We will be catching up weekly until all the sponsored bulletins have been printed.

### **Wawota**

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

**Worship:** Regular services Sept.20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

**RTR Fundraising Committee:** WE are trying something new due this Fall and will be having a Pie making day but it is by PRE-ORDER only! IF you have a special type of pie you would like – call either Linda (536-8740) or Wendy (434-7943) to place your order no later than Thur. Sept.24<sup>th</sup>. Pies will be baked on Fri. Sep 25<sup>th</sup> and will be ready for you to pick up fresh at our church on Sat. Sep 26<sup>th</sup>. All our Jams and Preserves will also be available on Sat. Sep 26<sup>th</sup>. Please see our poster in News in Five to review all the types of pies we will be making! Thanks for your continued support & place your order!

### **Maryfield**

**Board Meeting:** Thursday, Sept.17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**Worship:** Regular services Sept.20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.