



# Welcome to Worship

Sunday, August 13, 2023

10:00 a.m.

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### PRELUDE

"Interlude"

Christopher Uehlein

*As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.*

### SILENT MEDITATION

"We need to give Christ a chance to make use of us, to be His word and His work, to share His food and His clothing in the world today. If we do not radiate the light of Christ around us, the sense of the darkness that prevails in the world will increase." Mother Teresa

### CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 42

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

**My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God?**

These things I remember as I pour out my soul:

**how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.**

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

**Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God!**

## PRAISE AND ADORATION

### \*OPENING HYMN #182

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

KINGSFORD

(\*Please stand, if you are able.)

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, forgive us for taking our eyes off Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. When the storms of life swirl around us, we forget your unfailing goodness and power to save us. When we hear Jesus say, "Come," we make excuses about why it is too hard to follow him, especially when the way seems dangerous and challenging. Forgive our sins, Lord, and help us to step out in faith. Be merciful to us when we cry out, "We believe; help our unbelief!" Hear us now, as we offer to you our silent prayers...

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

## KYRIE ELEISON

"Lord, Have Mercy"

Schubert

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy,  
Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*GLORIA PATRI (#581)

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -  
gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MOMENT FOR MISSION

Bruce Froendt, All Play Miracle Baseball League

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 10: 5-15

page 921 of the pew Bible

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 14: 22-33

page 796 of the pew Bible

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

### SERMON

"Get Out of the Boat"

Dr. Zieman

### PRAYER

# RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Assurance”

John Ness Beck

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

### INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Heidelberg Catechism

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I belong – body and soul, in life and in death – not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

#### \*SANCTUS

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

SANCTUS (Schubert)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
heav - en and earth are full, \_\_\_\_\_ full \_\_\_\_\_ of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### SERVING OF THE ELEMENTS

*Please come forward as directed by an usher. All baptized Christians are encouraged to partake – by taking a piece of bread and dipping it into the cup. Gluten-free bread is at the station closer to the pulpit. If you are unable to come forward, an elder will serve you in the pew.*

ANTHEM

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

arr. Jay Althouse

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION #463**

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION  
arr. Tom Trenney

Stanza 1: All

Stanza 2: Women

Stanza 3: Men

Stanzas 4 and 5: All

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

“Amen”

Peter Lutkin

**POSTLUDE**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Paul Manz

**SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY**

**Liturgist**

Staci Voss

**Music**

Summer Choir, Kristi Treu, Director, Mark Kanitz, Organ

**Elders Serving Communion**

Staci Voss, Roger and Nancy Utman, Gary and Jean Lynn

**Ushers**

Alta Empkey, Kathy Moore, Mike and Sherryl Shannon

**Greeters**

North Door: Curt Field & Launie Lambert

South Door: Doug Larson

**Information Center**

Mary Ann Pederson

**Childcare Ministry**

Kari Bernet, Chelsea Spielman, and Brandon Fisher

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# Announcements

For the week of August 13, 2023

## The Week at a Glance

### Sunday, August 13

- 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary with Communion/Livestream
- 11:00 Coffee Fellowship
- 11:00 Caring & Sharing Day at Don & Millie's until 3 p.m.
- 4:15 Serve dinner at Siena Francis House

### Monday, August 14

- 9 & 11 Music & Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi
- 5:30 Personnel Committee Meeting
- 6:30 Special Session Meeting

### Tuesday, August 15

- 9:30 Staff Meeting
- 2:00 Active Minds
- 6:30 Finance Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, August 16

- 5:15 Book Group

### Thursday, August 17

- 9 & 11 Music & Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi

### Friday, August 18

*Cross Currents* Deadline

### Saturday, August 19

- 9:00 Family Fun Day at Calvin Crest until 6 p.m.
- 4:15 Youth depart for the retreat at Calvin Crest and return to church at noon on Sunday

### Sunday, August 20

- Pantry Sunday
- 10:00 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream
- 11:00 Coffee Fellowship

### Summer Schedule Through September 10

- Single Worship Service at 10 a.m.
- Coffee Fellowship at 11 a.m.
- No Sunday School
- Office Hours: 9:00 to 3:30 Monday-Friday

**Joys & Concerns.** Mary Reid's sister, Ann Hoag, passed away on August 6. Former member Janet Rath passed away on August 1. Her Memorial Service will be held in our sanctuary on September 22. The flowers in the chancel this week are given by Kristin Jacobi in memory of Mary Kratoska.

**TODAY is a Caring & Sharing Day!** Stop by Don & Millie's at 108th & Center to grab lunch from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 13. Tell them you're with PCOC, and 20% of your bill comes back to us to support next year's JHF Mission Trip.

**Siena Francis House Dinner Servers Needed TODAY.** Our serving time is 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. Sign up online for one of the PCOC timeslots. Please sign in when you arrive for your signing shift. If you have questions, call or email Keith Allen.

**Livestream Team Members Needed on Sunday Mornings.** Tasks include preparing graphics and slides prior to Sunday and operating the livestream during a Sunday worship service. Each Sunday the service needs two individuals, one to operate the cameras and one to operate the microphones. These positions include compensation. Ideally, members will share these tasks in a team atmosphere, so you are not working every Sunday. Please contact Rock in the office for more details.

**Summer Ushers Needed.** We need a couple more ushers for our 10 a.m. service on August 27 and September 3. No experience needed – we'll provide directions! Questions? Contact Jayne Frederickson. Sign up online.

**Book Group August 16.** Join us in from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. in Room 13 to review *Women Rowing North* by Mary Pipher. All readers are welcome! Questions? Contact June Fettig.

**September Cross Currents Deadline is this Friday, August 18.** Please send your content for the September issue to [communications@pcoc.us](mailto:communications@pcoc.us).

**Time to Play Ball.** The AllPlay Miracle Baseball League's fall season runs August 12 – September 16. You can help make game days great for these special needs kids as they have fun playing baseball. Over 125 volunteers are needed each game day. Volunteer positions include being a player buddy, greeting, serving concessions, announcing the game, serving as umpire, being a mascot, or setting up before/cleaning up after the games. Each shift is 2 hours. Please sign up online to help this PCOC mission partner!

**Family Fun Day at Calvin Crest on August 19.** You are invited to enjoy one of the last weekends of summer in the best way possible, by spending quality time with the people you love. Calvin Crest's Fun Day is perfect for families, friends, children, adults, community members and grandparents! The event offers activities for all ages including music, games, hikes, crafts, food and fellowship.

**August 20 is Pantry Sunday.** Bring your food and hygiene items to Sunday worship on the 3rd Sunday of the month, or drop them inside the circle drive doors at church anytime. The most needed items can be found on the church website.

**Upcoming Agape Events.** UNO Design the Redline Exhibit on Wednesday, August 23 at 2:00 p.m. United We Walk on Sunday, September 10 from 3-6 p.m. at Tri-Faith Commons. Find the details on the online sign up page of the church website.

**Presbyterian Men's Annual Storm Chasers Baseball Game on August 24.** You're invited to join us for fellowship and fun on "Thirsty" Thursday on August 24 at 7:05 p.m. for the Omaha Storm Chasers vs. St. Paul Saints at Werner Park. The cost is \$11.00 per ticket. Sign up and pay at the Information Desk in the Narthex. Questions? Bruce Cramer.

**PCOC GALS Event on August 25.** Join the GALS for an evening of fellowship on Picnic Night at Soaring Wings Winery (17111 S 138th St, Springfield, NE) on Friday, August 25 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Gates open at 6:00 p.m., and there is a \$5 cover charge. Bring a blanket, lawn chair, and picnic as we enjoy time together on their lawn with live music by the band Out Loud. The winery does not allow outside alcohol, but they sell wine on the property. Watch your email for the Sign Up Genius invite.

**Fancy Fellowship & Welcome for Mark Kanitz on August 27.** The Congregational Life Committee would like to invite everyone to enjoy an extended coffee fellowship time as well as welcome our new organist Mark Kanitz to PCOC. We ask that everyone bring goodies to share. Please have food cut and ready to serve.

**SHF Car Wash Fundraiser on August 27.** Bring your dirty cars to church on Sunday, August 27, and plan to stop by the car wash station in the north parking lot to have your car cleaned by the SHF group! The event begins immediately after worship and ends at 1:00 p.m. Donations will be accepted. All proceeds will go towards next year's mission trip. Thanks for your support!

**Music Department Fall Kick-Off Party on September 4.** All PCOC members who participate in a music activity at the church (choirs, bell choir, brass, children's choir, etc.) are invited to a fall kick-off party hosted by Kristi Treu in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up online. More details will be shared after you sign up!

**49ers on September 5.** Nick Salick, Development Officer/Nebraska Field Officer, will inform us about the Nature Conservancy and their mission to protect the lands and waters on which all life depends. In Nebraska they steward prairies, work with farmers to implement conservation practices, and protect the Platte River - the world's foremost stopover for sandhill cranes. Join us to hear about the exciting work they are doing in our state. We meet at 11:30 a.m. at WHEATFIELDS, 1224 South 103rd Street (One Pacific Place). For reservation or questions, please contact Mary Ott or Judy Sundberg. Sign up at the Information Center.

**Friday Night Gourmets Returns on September 8.** Join us at Farmer Brown's, 2620 River Rd Dr., Waterloo NE (402-779-2353). We will be ordering off their party menu which includes steak/prime rib, chicken, and seafood. Social Hour is at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us for this September "Tradition" of great food, friends, and lively conversations. Sign up at the Information Desk by Sunday, September 3. Contact hosts Gene/Verta Pugh and Curt Field/Launie Lambert with questions.

## Register Now for Cornerstone and Fall Adult Education

### Cornerstone - Register Online by September 1

The fall semester of Cornerstone begins on Wednesday, September 13.

- Bible Study for children in Preschool – 7th Grade and two classes for adults (details below)
- Confirmation Class for 8th Graders.
- Choir for children in 1st Grade – 7th Grade and Adults
- Dinner for all
- Register online by September 1.

#### Confirmation

**Led by Marshall Zieman | Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. | beginning September 13**

Contact Heather if you haven't yet signed up your 8<sup>th</sup> Grader.

#### God Saves a People

**Led by Kirk Ryckman | Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. | September 13 – November 15**

The theme we will tackle this fall is "God Saves a People." There is no more central theme to our faith and our understanding of God's caring for us than this. And this theme of salvation moves from the Old Testament to the New and then the life of the early church. It will trace the saving grace of God from the Exodus, the wanderings, and the Kingdom's rise and fall, on to God's new act of salvation through Jesus, into the early church. Follow the sweep of the story and marvel at the mighty acts of God yet today! This is the heart of understanding our relationship to God. It is well worth the time to study. Please join us. Suggested book donation is \$20. If you plan to eat dinner before class, please also sign up for Cornerstone.

#### Dementia

**Led by Carl Greiner and Steven Wengel | Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. | September 13, 20, 27**

Dementia is an illness that can compromise memory, personality, and physical agility. The demographics of dementia are impressive: one in three seniors dies with Alzheimer's. Currently, there are six million American's living with Alzheimer's. It is anticipated that there will be 13 million by 2050. You have the opportunity to learn about this important disease. This course is designed for a general audience and will emphasize questions and answers. It is not necessary to attend all the classes; each class has its own features. Attending the first class is particularly recommended.

September 13: Alzheimer's and other problems of memory | September 20: Preventive measures that you can take to reduce risk | September 27: Challenges for caregivers. If you plan to eat dinner before class, please also sign up for Cornerstone.

**Please note:** Some members have expressed interest in attending both classes, and we are sorry for the conflicting time schedules. As a result, we will record the Dementia class and make it available for online viewing, so these members have access to the class content.

### Sunday Morning Adult Education this Fall

#### We Are Americans

**Led by Charlene Meyer & Earlene Uhrig | Sundays 9-10:30 a.m. | September 24 – November 5**

PCOC members come from diverse personal backgrounds in both locations growing up and career strengths. We'll explore how our ancestral diversity, faith diversity, and geographic diversity influenced our individual choices to become members of our caring PCOC community. Can we meet the challenge offered by a Matt Skinner commentary and shared in Marshall's May 28th sermon? Can we continue to grow as a beloved community that is united in purpose and identity? This seven-week adult course will have a unique timeframe, meeting from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. to allow necessary dialogue of the topics and still offer time for fellowship before attending the 11:10 a.m. service. Weekly video/reading homework required.

### **Albert Schweitzer – A Modern Saint**

**Led by Carl Greiner | Sundays at 10:00 a.m. | October 22, 29 and November 5, 12**

Albert Schweitzer (1875-1965) was an accomplished organist, writer, musician, physician, and missionary. This class will review his autobiography *Out of My Life and Thought* and address two basic questions: How did he put his faith into practice? How did he put his faith into reflection? Suggested book donation is \$15/book.

### **Tuesday Bible Studies with Dr. Zieman**

**Led by Marshall Zieman | Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m. (Men) & 1:00pm (Everybody) | Begins September 12**

This fall, both Bible Studies will begin a study of the Old Testament Book of Exodus. New members are always welcome to join. Just bring your favorite Bible and come prepared to learn and discuss together. The classes are casual and discussion-oriented. A Zoom option is also offered at 1:00.

### **Did you see something you'd like to sign up for?**

We've made it easy to sign up online! Just scan the QR code below to access our sign-up page, locate your event, and complete the online sign-up form!



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