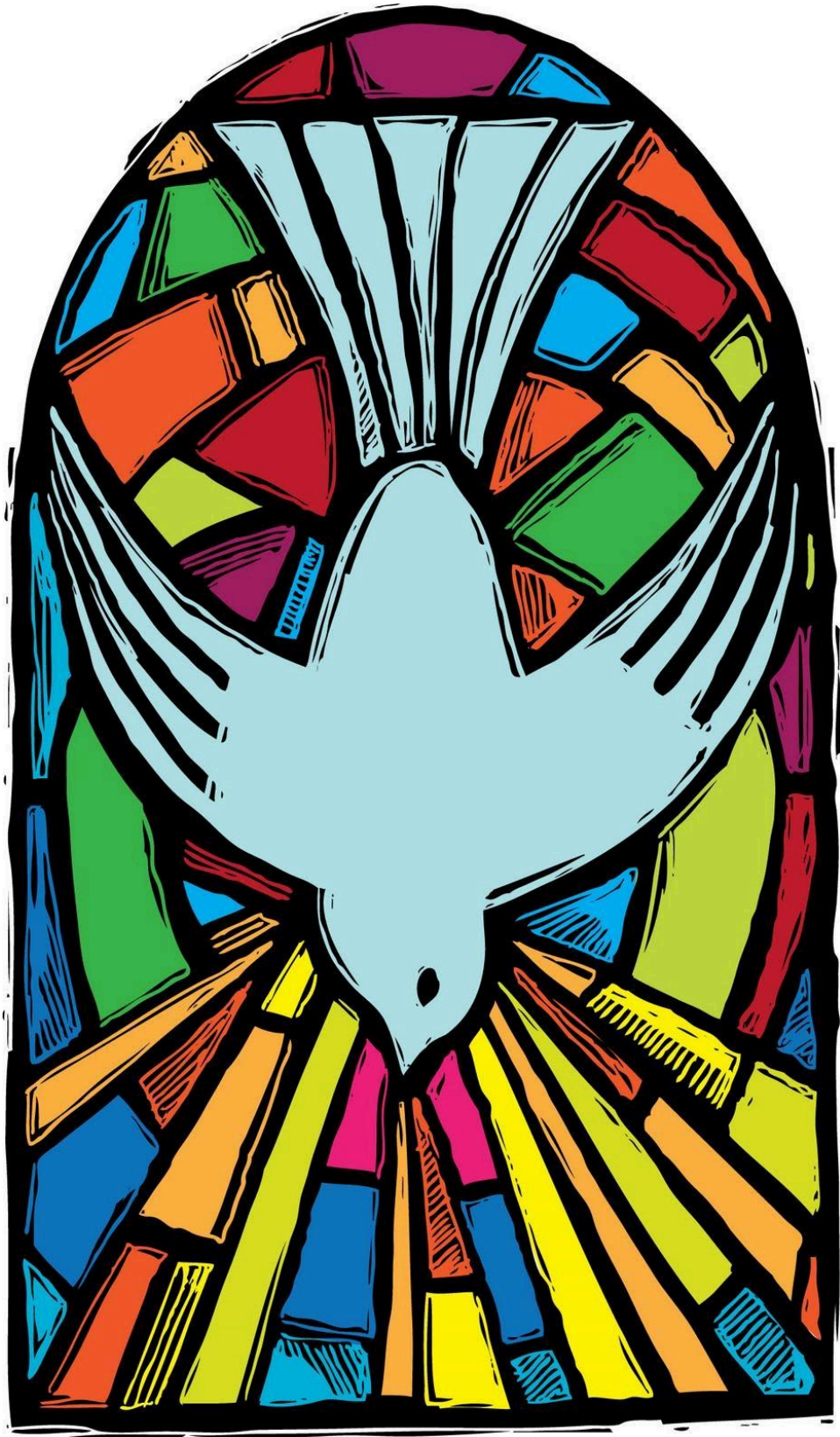


Potsdam United Methodist Church



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Celebrating the Gift of Christ's Resurrection in Potsdam United Methodist Church

Large print bulletins and listening assistive devices are available, *Please stand, whether in body or in spirit.

At Potsdam UMC, all persons are welcome and celebrated regardless of gender, culture, nationality, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation or gender identity, economic circumstance, age, physical and mental ability, marital status or family structure.

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS / SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE

Lord, I Would Follow Thee music by K. Newell Dayley,
arranged by Brian D. Petersen

As the candles are lit, take time for quiet contemplation and prayer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Let go of the demands of this day. Rest in the quiet of this sanctuary

P: The noise of those demands rings in our ears.

All: (singing through once) **Sanctuary** **TFWS #2164**
*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

L: There will always be needs to be met, demands on our time,
but now is a time to rest.

P: Help us to understand the resting time,
that it is a time to be at peace and grow in God's love.

All: Let us, like Mary, find the one thing that is needed and sit at your feet.
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*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: The people around you are precious in God's sight.

Let us greet one another with signs of peace and love in the name of
Jesus Christ.

*HYMN

Thy Word Is a Lamp

UMH #601

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

L: From the demands and pressures of this past week, we come,
O Lord, seeking rest and renewal. Hear the cries of our hearts,
our prayers, our needs. Heal and restore us.

All: Lord God, may your Word be a lamp to our feet and a light
to our path through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

THERE IS A TIME TO PRAISE GOD WITH SONG...

... AND A TIME TO PRAISE GOD WITH WORD!

Readings from the New Testament

Colossians 1:15-28

Reading from the Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

MESSAGE OF THE MORNING

Reimagining

Rev. Heidi Chamberlain

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN**

It Is Well With My Soul

UMH #377

THE PRAYER OF GOD’S PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

(UMH #270)

Responding to God’s invitation, in joy, we offer our gifts

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Come unto Jesus music by Orson Pratt

Huish

arr. By Keith D Rowley

***THE DOXOLOGY**

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

All: Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us — ourselves, our time, and our possessions — signs of your gracious love.

Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us — Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN**

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

UMH #348

***BENEDICTION**

L: For just a moment, take a deep breath.

That breath is restorative.

It is bringing freshness and relaxation to your life.

Go from this place in peace and may God’s peace be in your hearts.

AMEN

POSTLUDE

Blest Be The Tie That Binds John Faweett, 1782, Paine Denson, 1935 arr. J. Knapicius, b1957

Go forward, to live the church, in ministry to all the world!

Worship & Prayer resources for this week: Used by permission – excerpted

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

We are called to action as Disciples of Jesus Christ!



When I was a young man, I wanted to change the world. I found it was difficult to change the world, so I tried to change my nation. When I found I couldn't change the nation, I began to focus on my town. I couldn't change the town and as an older man, I tried to change my family. Now, as an old man, I realize the only thing I can change is myself, and suddenly I realize that if long ago I had changed myself, I could have made an impact on my family. My family and I could have made an impact on our town. Their impact could have changed the nation and I could indeed have changed the world.

~Author Unknown

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Blessings in a Bag:** Mondays & Wednesdays July 7th - August 6th. We will meet at 10:30am in the downstairs kitchen. *We are in need of more peanut butter, jam or jelly, pre-packaged cookies/snack bars, and individual bags of chips/goldfish/Doritos.*
- **The Good Cup:** Enjoy conversation and a “cuppa” with Pastor Heidi & Pastor Carl, Wednesdays at noon at Jernabi Coffee House.
- **Acapella North Chorus Rehearsal:** Tuesdays, 5:30-9pm throughout the summer.

Worship Participants			
Microphone: Norm Gardner		Acolytes: Jordyn Fish, Ben Fish	
Counters		Readers	
July 20:	Tom Ortmeyer, Christa C.	July 20:	Christa Carroll
July 27:	Carrie Livernois, Tom O.	July 27:	Sharon Hutchinson
Greeters/Ushers		Fellowship Time Hosts	
July 20:	Nancy Matthews	Aug. 3:	Robin H. & Judy Haer
July 27:	Carrie Livernois	Sept. 7:	Carrie Livernois
		Oct. 5:	Sue and John Loope

Pastor: Heidi Chamberlain

Musician: Dr. Risa Okina ♦ Choir Director: Anthony Steen

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