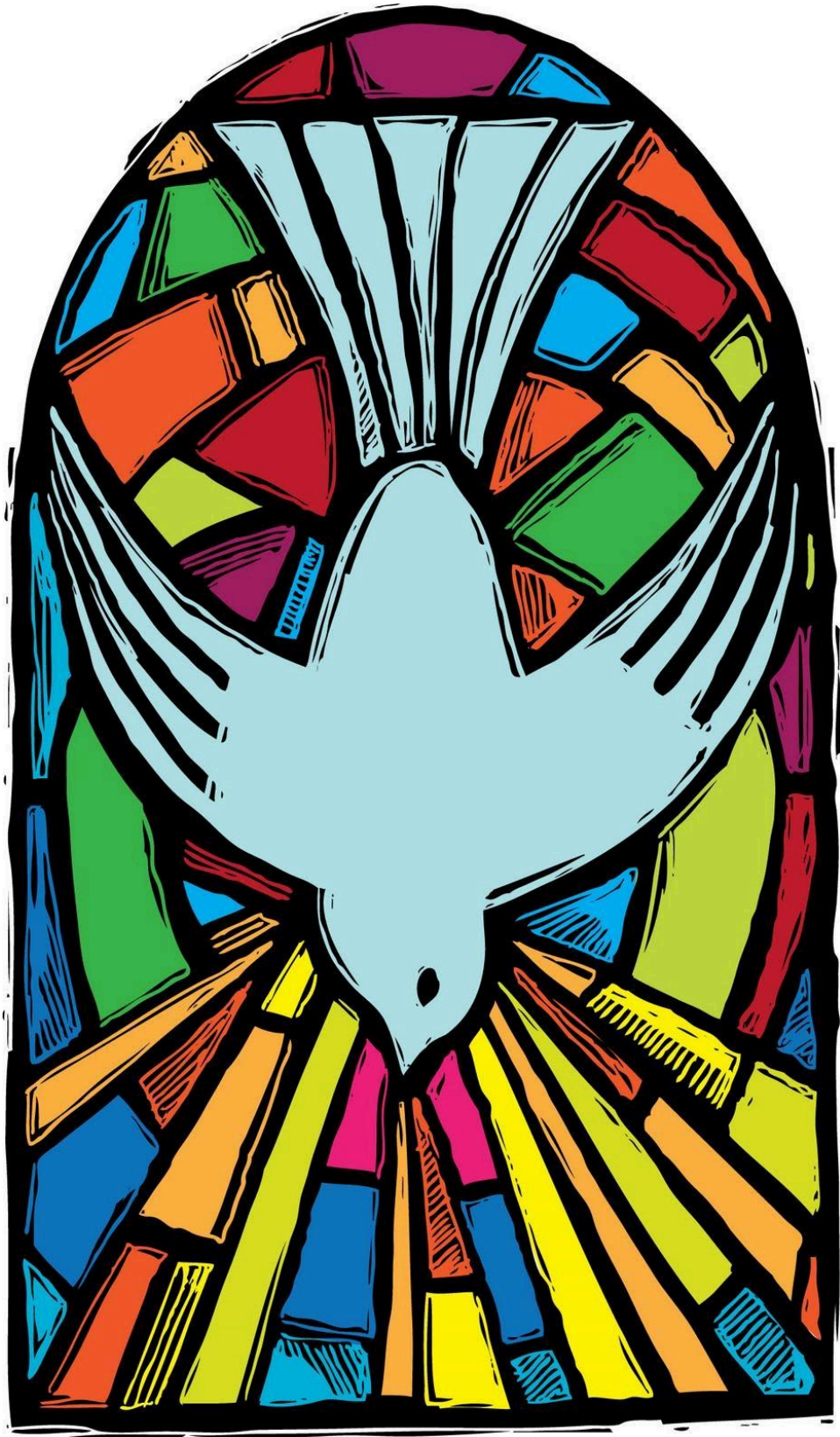


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Celebrating the Gift of Christ's Resurrection in Potsdam United Methodist Church

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

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee by John B. Dykes,
arr. by Amy J. van Dyk

As you listen to the prelude, take time for quiet contemplation and prayer

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Welcome to worship this day.

P: **We have come seeking peace and hope.**

L: This is the house of the Lord. In it you will find what you seek.

P: **Help us to open our hearts to God's words and will for us.**

L: Ask for God's help - it will be given to you.

P: **Praise be to God who loves and cares for us. AMEN**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Receive the good news, my friends:
Christ came searching for us,
calling us by name,
leading us into God's kingdom.

P: **In Christ, we become new people:
empty, we are made full;
lost, we are found;
dead in sin, we are made alive.**

All: **Thanks be to God. AMEN**

Adapted from Thom Shuman, posted on the Pilgrim WR Uniting Church

*HYMN

Sweet Hour of Prayer

UMH #496

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

All: Lord of Hope and Peace, we have come this day asking for your mercy.
Grant us your pardon.

We have come this day seeking peace in our lives; grant us peace.

Teach us how to be compassionate disciples for you.

For we ask this in Christ's name. AMEN

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

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

Readings from the New Testament

Colossians 2:6-19

Reading from the Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

MESSAGE OF THE MORNING

Reader's Theater – The Lord's Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN

The Lord's Prayer

UMH #271

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

Father in Heaven by Friedrich F. Flemming;
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

Send Me Lord

UMH #497

*BENEDICTION

Based on Psalm 85

L: As you go forth, know that you leave with the unfailing love of God.
As you leave this place, know that by God's strength
you will be able to face the challenges of the coming week.
As you return to your daily lives, know that your pursuit of peace
reveals to the world that you are God's children.

Go now in the blessing and power of God who gives us life,
that you may grow in faith and live as bearers of love and life
everywhere you go. AMEN

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2025.

POSTLUDE

Canzonetta by Cécile Chaminade

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Blessings in a Bag:** Mon. & Wed, July 7th - July 30th, Mon. Aug. 4th & Mon. Aug. 11th. We will meet at 10:30am in the downstairs kitchen.
- **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 July 27: Carrie Livernois, Tom O. Aug. 3: Robin Howard, Debby N. Aug. 10: Christa Carroll, Carrie L. Aug. 17: Debby Nikkari, Robin H. Aug. 24: Tom Ortmeyer, Christa C. Aug. 31: Carrie Livernois, Tom O.	Readers July 27: Sharon Hutchinson Aug. 3: Nancy Matthews Aug. 10: Sharon Hutchinson Aug 17: Collen Gondo Aug. 24: Tom Ortmeyer Aug. 31: Christa Carroll
Greeters/Ushers July 27: Carrie Livernois Aug. 3: Robin H. & Judy Haer Aug. 10: Norm Gardner Aug 17: Robin Howard, Judy Haer Aug. 24: Nancy Matthews Aug. 31: Kathy Demo?	Fellowship Time Hosts Aug. 3: Robin H. & Judy Haer Sept. 7: Carrie Livernois Oct. 5: Sue and John Loope Nov. 2: Carol Willmert Dec. 7: Ashley Fish and Family

Pastor: Heidi Chamberlain

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

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