

**PENTECOST 11<sup>th</sup> & HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**08/05/2018**

**10:00 am**

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A special word of welcome to those visiting our church today. We are happy you joined us in worship. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with us each Sunday and to participate in other activities and services here.

Please stand for acts of worship designated with an asterisk (\*). Any who prefer may “rise up” in spirit only, if physically standing presents difficulties.

**GATHERING**

**CHIMES CALLING US TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

**Ginny Trindel, Organist**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Pastor and Congregation**

(Welcome and thanks for completing the yellow half sheet in the bulletin and dropping it in the offering plate. The prayer station in the back of the sanctuary is available for lighting a candle or leaving a prayer note any time before, during, or after worship).

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** Glory belongs to the Lord... - Leader and Congregation

L: As a deer longs for flowing streams;

**C: so longs my soul for you, O Lord my God.**

L: My soul thirsts for God;

**C: My soul thirsts for the living God.**

L: My tears have been my food day and night, while people say continually;

**C: “Where is your God?”**

L: My God is Sovereign and Almighty!

**UNISON: He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them-- he remains faithful forever. Amen!**

**\* Opening UM HYMN # 599**

*Break Thou the Bread of Life*

**INVOCATION:**

**Leader and Congregation**

Dear God, we’ve come to commune, praise and glorify Your Holy name. You have showered us with many wonderful gifts. The best gift of all is giving your Only Begotten, not made, Son to save us from our sins. There is no worse grief for a parent than to lose the only child. You have been unselfish and very giving even to those who have turned their backs on you. We pray that they come back into your welcoming arms. With this prayer, we intercede for those who need someone to call upon when their days get rough, and the nights are too long. Give them the strength and courage to come back to you, dearest Creator of us all. Accepting and being with your Son Jesus Christ has ultimately changed our lives. Let this be for them too. As always, we offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen!

**APPROACHING THE LORD’S TABLE**

**Pastor and People**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER: UNISON**

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen!

**GOD’S WORD IN SCRIPTURES**

**New Testament:**

*Romans 14:5-11*

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God,

**Cong: Thanks be to God**

**Special Music**

**Carol Christensen & Ginny Trindel, Duet**

**Gospel:**

*John 6: 25-35*

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God,

**Cong: Thanks be to God**

**WITNESSING TO THE WORD**

**Theme: Jesus Christ, “The Bread of Life ....”**

**RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

**MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Pastor**

**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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Words of Invitation & Giving of Tithes and Offerings**

**\*UM HYMN/FWS # 671**

*Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*

**\*SENDING FORTH IN GOD'S LOVE AND CARE/ BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

(Let's greet those around us with words of farewell and peace).

**Thank you for being a part of today's worship experience.**

**Rest assured God loves you, and so do we!**

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**Connie Boehm: Liturgist**

**Jeanne Whiteside: Media Coordinator**

**Dennis Clay: Pianist**

**Joy McClelland: Custodian**

**Nancy Cook: Choir Director**



**JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR PARISH AND THE WORLD**

Thoughts and prayers for Bill and Laverne Fawcett for health and healing from surgery.

Prayers are needed for Tracie Feest who is dealing with some serious health issues.

Prayers for a great surgery and fast healing for Angelina Michna, Liza's daughter.

Bob Feest, brother of Al and Pete is dealing with serious health issues. Prayers needed and appreciated.

Prayers for strength during a trial and health for Laurie Lewis.

Prayers are needed for Fritz Creuziger who is dealing with serious health issues.

Prayers are with Rose Pettus who is having some health problems.

Prayers for Tammy Madden and her family.

Barb VanderWeilen, sister of Pete & Al Feest, recently diagnosed with leukemia.

Prayers appreciated.

Caring thoughts and prayers for Charlene Goar, Al & Dee Feest's Aunt, She recently fell and fractured her hip and is now in rehab, there's also a reoccurrence of cancer.

Prayers for healing and good health for Pat Held's daughter.

**Weekly Prayer Assignment for the South East District churches and clergy**

Aug. 6 – Aug. 12, Racine: Faithbridge, their pastors Creighton Kaye, Karin Kaye, and their members, Racine: Faithbridge is located at 212 11<sup>th</sup> St., Racine, WI 53403.

**OUR RECORD LAST WEEK**

Worship Attendance	10:00 am - 44
Plate/Pledges	\$927.00
Missions	\$7.60
Pastor Emergency Fund	\$50.00

**COMING THIS WEEK**

**Today, Sunday, August 5**

9:00 am – FFRANC Breakfast

10:00 am – Morning Worship

1:00 pm – Keith Griffin Pokemon League

5:00 pm – Casa de Dios Worship Service

**Monday, August 6**

6:30 pm – Casa de Dios Bible Study

**Wednesday, August 8**

Noon – Kiwanis

**Saturday, August 11**

Noon – Sack Lunch Program, First Presbyterian Church, hosts

**Announcements**



**Happy Birthday Rev. Jakes!!!**

**Have a wonderful day filled with many Blessings!!!**

## APPROACHING THE LORD'S TABLE

### MISSION PROJECT – SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR TEACHERS

Since various organizations throughout the community offer free back packs and school supplies to students this time of year we thought we would assist our teachers by collecting supplies they can use as student's supplies run out. Especially helpful are glue sticks, notebooks, pencils, and paper. ALSO, any purchase of school supplies between [August 1](#) and [August 5](#) will be TAX EXEMPT. Bring your donations to the office anytime and we will see that our teachers receive all the donated supplies. Thanks for your support of this mission project.

### Fun Fest Meeting

We'll be having a Fun Fest meeting on August 9, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the church. Hospitality Team, Praise Team, Intentional Faith Development Team and any interested members who would like to help out. Hope to see you there!! Thank you for all you do!!

### LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING FOR AUGUST

The loose change offering for August will benefit our Pastor's Emergency Fund. Each day members of the community come to First Church seeking help with paying rent and/or utility bills, needing copies of birth certificates and many other requests for assistance. Your donation to the loose change offering will help us help others.

### FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Our item for August will be cans of pork & beans. Place your donations in the crates located near the church entrances. Thanks for your continued support.

Invitation: Our Lord invites to his table all who love him, and are truly sorry for their sins.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**Cong: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**Cong: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Cong: It is right to give thanks and praise to our God.**

Pastor: Let us now prepare our hearts for Christ's compassionate love to flow in us, so that through us the world might experience the transforming power of his redemptive work demonstrated on the cross for our sake.

**Cong: Through repentance and humility, we open our hearts and offer ourselves to the transforming power of Christ's redeeming love.**

Pastor: On the night before his betrayal and trial, Jesus shared one last meal with his disciples. What could he do to empower them to continue his redemptive work when he was gone back to heaven? Jesus loved his followers, and his heart went out to them. He took the bread, said a prayer to heaven, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Take, eat, this is my body broken for you!" After a while, Jesus took a cup of grape juice, said a prayer to heaven, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant poured out for you and for many." He instructed them to remember him whenever they eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

**Cong: When we receive Christ's body, we are united with him in his mission. When we receive Christ's blood, we are assured of his forgiven grace that cleanses and sets us free from all guilt and are made right with our God and neighbors.**

Pastor: The table is now ready, you may come and share!