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Our Mission: Reveal the Grace of God by welcoming and serving all in Christ!



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This week's Immediate Prayer List

Refugees from Afghanistan

A complete prayer list is available at the Welcome Center.

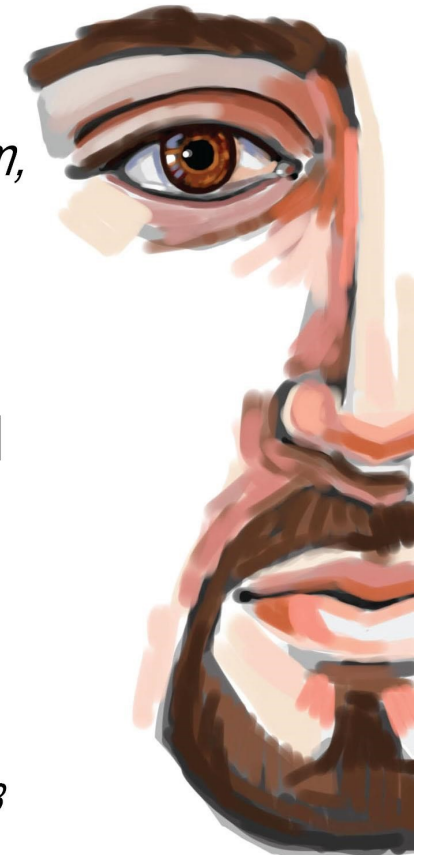
Please see the insert in this bulletin for Announcements and This Week at Church.

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Music Director: **Rebecca Sopha**
Handbell Choir Director: **Carleen Shinn**
Accompanist: **Bella Gasaway**
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He asked them,

**"Who
do you
say
that I
am?"**

Mark 8:29, CEB



Prelude **“Be Thou My Vision”** arr., Albin Whitworth

Welcome and Announcements (*Insert*)

Call to Worship

People: You call us to meaning, O God.

Leader: In the midst of divisiveness,

People: You call us to community through Christ.

Leader: Out of our brokenness,

People: You call us to wholeness and new life in the Spirit.

Leader: In praise and thanksgiving, let us worship God.

Song **“Lord, Speak to Me”** **Hymnal #463**

Opening Prayer

Choir Anthem “God Will Make a Way” arr., Ruth Elaine Schram

Psalm Reading **Psalm 19** Pew Bibles p. 677

Children’s Moment

Song **“This Is Where Children Belong”** James Ritchie

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

(As Pastor ends Pastoral Prayer, congregation joins pastor in the Lord’s Prayer, Hymnal #895).

Choir **Three-Fold Amen**

Scripture Reading **Mark 8:27-38** Pew Bibles p. 1227

Sermon “Open Secrets” Pastor Hillary

Closing Hymn **“Make Me a Captive, Lord”** **Hymnal #421**

Benediction

May the peace of the Lord Christ be with you, wherever he may send you.

May he guide you through the wilderness,

Protect you through the storm.

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.

May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

Amen. Go in peace.

Postlude **“The Heavens Are Telling”** Ludwig van Beethoven

- If you have a prayer concern that you would like the pastor to lift up during the prayer time today, please fill out a yellow prayer card from the pew and place it in the basket at the back of the sanctuary.
- We are in the process of re-opening our nursery and children's Christian education. We can only make this happen with willing and faithful volunteers. If you would be willing to invest in young children for a Sunday each month, please contact the church to sign up and begin the background check process. The wonderful thing about on-line streaming is that you will never miss a worship service if you want to volunteer. It will always be available to watch on-line.
- You can sign up in October to be in the new church pictorial directory! Watch upcoming bulletins for details.
- Our annual Church Conference will be Sunday, October 17 here at our church, in person or by zoom. This is the event at which we vote on church leaders, hear and vote on membership data, and present our vision for our church. The Church Conference will be at 2 pm, and there will be a gathering with other local United Methodist Church members at 3 pm. Any member or attendee of our church may speak at Church Conference but only members may vote. Those wishing to attend by zoom need to inform the church office by October 5 so that the District Secretary can send you the zoom link.

This week at church

Today	Worship 10 am
Mon., Sept. 13	Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room United Methodist Women Exec. Bd 1 pm, FH* Evangelism Committee 2:30 pm
Tues., Sept. 14	Intercessory Prayer 10 am, Library Community Book Study 10 am, 4th-5th Gr. Rm. Bell Choir Rehearsal 5 pm, Sanctuary Cub Pack 4196 at 5 pm, FH
Wed., Sept. 15	Rug Ladies 9 am, Rug Room Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7 pm
Thurs., Sept. 16	Men's Emmaus 4th Day 7 am, FH Women's Bible Study 10 am, SS Gath. Rm. Ladies' Brown Bag Lunch Date 11:30 am, Stearns Park Books and Beyond 6 pm, FH
Fri., Sept. 17	Women's AA 10 am, 4th-5th Grade Room Red Cross Blood Drive 12:00-4:45, SS Gath. Rm.
Sat., Sept. 18	Sable Points Lighthouse Keepers Annual Dinner 12-8 pm, FH

*FH = Fellowship Hall