

Classic Worship at 9:00 am

PRELUDE Dr. Ann Behrens
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise Wayne Wold
Variations on "How Firm a Foundation" Janet Linker

WELCOME

***INTROIT**
Father, We Praise Thee Paris Antiphoner, 1691

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
Come, you who find forgiveness a burden.
God’s grace opens us to extravagant mercy.
Come, you who are shackled by old resentments.
Christ frees us from rehearsing past grievances.
Come, you who are weary of judgment and endless accounting.
The Spirit invites us into the freedom of mercy.

***OPENING PRAYER**
God of confounding accounting, gather us into your presence and quiet the endless arithmetic of our hearts. Open us to the surprising generosity of your grace and the freedom of your love. As we worship, teach us to share the mercy we have received, that we might become people through whom forgiving grace flows into the world. Amen.

***HYMN # 380** *THERE’S WITHIN MY HEART A MELODY*

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 18: 21 – 35

VIDEO *RWANDA: Reconciliation for a Nation*

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM
I Will Sing! Priscilla Murphy

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 14: 1 – 12

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MESSAGE Rev. Rachel Stockle
“The Math of Mercy”

***HYMN # 390** *FORGIVE OUR SINS AS WE FORGIVE*

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER
Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY
Come, Thou Almighty King Kenneth Kosche

***DOXOLOGY # 94**

OFFERING PRAYER

***HYMN # 526** *WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS*

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**
Recessional on "To God Be the Glory" Douglas Wagner

*Flowers are provided by Gayle Liebig and
Mike & Nancy Ogle in loving memory
of Richard and Peggy Liebig*

Connection Worship at 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME SONG

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PRAISE BAND *LET IT RISE*

A TIME OF PRAYER

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRAISE BAND *ALL MY HOPE*

CHILDREN’S TIME

A TIME OF PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 18: 21 – 35

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OFFERTORY

PRAISE BAND *SPIRIT SONG*

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PRAISE BAND *WHAT AN AWESOME GOD*

BENEDICTION

The people of this church are missionaries in the city.

The staff members are:

Rev. Rachel Stockle, Directing Pastor
Rev. Annelle Ruemmler, Associate & Director of Praise Team
Dr. Ann Behrens, Music Coordinator, Organist, and Chancel Choir Director
Jean Murray, Handbell Choir Director
Christina Kaufman, Communications/Admin. Assistant
Ian Mehaffy, Finance Manager
Stephanie Alvord, Nursery Attendant
Glory Messan, A/V Tech
Rob Davis, Custodian

9 am Ushers – John & Candy Scott

11 am Ushers – Don Larson

Gathering Place Host – Maxine Paluska

DON'T FORGET!

- **Food Pantries**
- **Hospitalizations** – Please notify us.
- **Confirmation Classes**
- **Bible Study** – Wednesday's at 5 pm
- **Norma Crossland's 100th** -Birthday Party 9/20
- **Church Picnic** – 4-6 pm at Upper Moorman Park
- **Sleep in Heavenly Sleep** – Bedding Donation

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & HYMNALS ARE AVAILABLE.
PLEASE ASK AN USHER FOR A COPY.**

SUNDAY, September 13th

9 am – Classic Worship Service

10:15 am – Sunday School

11 am – Connection Worship Service

2 pm – Chaddock Rose Tea

MONDAY, September 14th

9 am – Quilters

3 pm – Worship Team

5:30 pm – Mission & Health Team

TUESDAY, September 15th

9 am – Care Team

9 am – Quilters

7 pm – Cooperative Ministries

WEDNESDAY, September 9th

5 pm – Bible Study

6 pm – Bell Choir

7 pm – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, September 17th

4:45 pm – Praise Team

Saturday, September 19th

Bands and BBQ

3-7:30 pm

In Washington Park

SUNDAY, September 20th

9 am – Classic Worship Service

10 am – Norma Crossland's Birthday celebration

10:15 am – Sunday School

11 am – Connection Worship Service

4-6 pm – All-Church Picnic at Upper Moorman Park

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*Our mission is to love God and
share Christ, as we support each
other and serve our community.*



16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 13, 2026