

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 18

9:00 am Adult Bible Study
10:30 am Worship- Baptism of Samuel Guilkison
11:30 am Coffee HI

Tuesday, May 20

10:00 am-Noon Coffee with Pastor Katie at The Bean
6:30 pm Scouts

Sunday, May 25

9:00 am Adult Bible Study
10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Coffee HI

Monday, May 26

Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 27

9:00 am- 11:00 am First Day of Vacation Bible School
No Coffee with Pastor Katie at The Bean

Worship Leaders and Church Staff

Rev. Katie Miller - Sr. Minister	Rev. Elaine Miller - Minister of Visitation
Michail Chalkiopolous - Organ	Kari Jensen - Christian Ed Director
Anthony Burbach - Bell Director/Piano	Taylor Ebsen - Church Administrator
Gretchen Burbach - Choral Director	Sarah Gregg - Church Financial Officer
Paul Ebsen - Media Director	Kathy Hasenbank, Linda Moe - Custodians

2024-2025 Interns

Maleah Wright - Choir, Soprano
Shaelyn Laferty - Choir, Alto
Sam VanGerpen - Choir, Tenor
Max Huska - LAF, Nursery
Jozie Kumm - Media Intern

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Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

Rewilding the Fields

“*” Please stand if you are able.
Plain text-LEADER, **Bold text**-ALL

Children are always welcome in our worship,
but nursery care is also available downstairs.
Hearing assist technology is available for worship services.



May 18, 2025

PRELUDE “Lux Eoi” Carlos Staszkeski

WELCOME
Friendship Pads
Announcements
Joys and Concerns
Please also complete a “Prayer Card” and put it in the collection plate.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*INTROIT “Where Charity and Love Prevail V.1” 396
Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found; brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Praise the Holy One from the heights of heaven!
Praise God from the depths of the sea!
Let the sun and moon, mountains and trees, all creatures great and small lift their voices.
Let every voice, every life, every breath proclaim God’s glory!
For God’s love is wild enough to fill the cosmos and gentle enough to dwell within each heart.
We come to join the chorus of creation. Praise be to God!

*HYMN	“Joyful, Joyful We Adore You”	4
*INVOCATION Expansive Spirit, you meet us at the edges— in dreams that unsettle, in visions that disrupt our boundaries. Speak to us now: Undo our categories. Dismantle our walls. Teach us again that love makes room. We are listening, O God. Lead us deeper into your wideness. Amen.		
BAPTISM	SAMUEL JEFFREY GULLIKSON <i>REFER TO YELLOW INSERT FOR RESPONSES</i>	
MUSIC TO INSPIRE	“We Shall Not Be Moved” Podd Brothers <i>Drums- JJ Breuer</i> <i>Piano- Anthony Burbach</i> <i>Bass- Paul Ebsen</i>	
GRADUATE RECOGNITION		
CHILDREN’S MOMENT		
SCRIPTURE	Acts 11: 1-18	
MEDITATION	“Ecumen-ism”	
HYMN OF MEDITATION	“Blessed Be the Ties That Bind”	393
A TIME FOR PRAYER Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer Lord’s Prayer		
INVITATION TO GENEROSITY When Peter shared his vision, some could not believe grace could stretch that far. But the Spirit was already ahead of them— stirring a bigger belonging. As we give today, we participate in that same Spirit— building a table wide enough for every story, and long enough to seat the ones still left out. Let us give generously, not from fear, but from the joy of widening the circle.		
OFFERTORY	“Elevation”	Cesar Franck

<i>*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.</i>		
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Wild and welcoming God, you have given us visions of justice and mercy that go beyond our comfort. Take these gifts and multiply their reach— that they may help heal what has been divided, and build a church where all belong. Make us brave in our giving and bold in our loving. Amen.		
*CLOSING HYMN	“In the Midst of New Dimensions”	391
*BENEDICTION Go now with eyes opened by vision, hearts stretched by the Spirit, and a faith wild enough to welcome the world. Let the old boundaries fall away— and let love draw the new ones, always bigger, always braver. You are sent not to gatekeep grace, but to live it—loud and wide. Go in peace. Go in power. Go in love. Amen.		
POSTLUDE	“Piece d’ Orgue”	J.S. Bach
***** <i>Today is Michail’s last Sunday with us as he continues his musical journey and schooling. We are grateful for the beautiful music and dedication he has shared with our church. Please join us in thanking him! We are sending prayers, and best wishes for his next chapter!</i>		
USHERS: Dawn and Jon Reuvers, James Walker DEACON OF THE DAY: Sarah Gregg NURSERY: Haksgaard Family		

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



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PASTOR KATIE IS GETTING MARRIED!

Pastor Katie is getting married at the end of the month, and we want to celebrate this joyful milestone with a card shower, hosted by Taylor Ebsen.

Send your love, encouragement, and best wishes to the couple at:

Katie Miller and Chris Ciriaco
226 E Main St
Vermillion, SD 57069

Then join us on a **Sunday, June 15**, right after worship for **wedding cake and a time of celebration**. We'll enjoy sweet treats and share photos from their special day! To learn more about the couple and their wedding plans, visit their website: <https://www.zola.com/wedding/katieandchrismay31>
Questions? See Taylor or email the church office at uccv@uccvermillion.org.

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed

Our next Meals on Wheels delivery week is June 16–20. Routes begin at 11:15 AM and typically take 60–90 minutes to complete. If you're available to help share a little time and a lot of kindness, please email or call the church office to volunteer. Your support makes a real difference in our community!