

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 22

10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Coffee HI

Sunday, June 29

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11:30 am Coffee HI

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Worship Leaders and Church Staff

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



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“*” 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.

June 22, 2025

PRELUDE “Trois Pièces en Lab Majeur, no. 1” César Frank

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
When hope feels distant and joy is a memory,
God is still near, even in our waiting.
When words fail and silence fills the soul,
God hears every unspoken prayer.
We come, not because we have all the answers,
But because we long to be held by the One who does.
This is a place for truth, for tears, for trust.
This is a place to meet God—just as we are.
Let us worship the One who walks with us in suffering,
who waits with us in silence, and who loves us through it all.

*HYMN "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" 403

*INVOCATION
Holy One, you are the God who meets us in the ashes and in the sunrise, in the questions and in the quiet. We don't come today with polished faith, but with worn-out hearts and uncertain hope. We bring our longing, our confusion, our grief, and ask that You receive it as worship. Open this space to Your presence, and open our hearts to the possibility that You are already here in every moment. Make this sacred time a refuge for the weary and a resting place for the truth. In the name of Love, we pray. Amen.

MUSIC TO INSPIRE "Getting Good at Waiting" Amanda Anne Pitt

SCRIPTURE Job 3: 1-11, 23-26

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE Lamentations 3: 17-26

MEDITATION "Getting Good at Waiting"

HYMN OF MEDITATION "By Gracious Powers" 413

A TIME FOR PRAYER
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY
In a world where so much feels uncertain, acts of generosity are a kind of quiet resistance. We still believe in community. We still trust that hope is worth planting. We still know that love has the power to multiply. We give because grace is real— and it often shows up in ordinary envelopes, open hands, and offerings shared among the faithful.

OFFERTORY "Messe 1, Élévation" Léon Boëllmann

**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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
God of aching hearts and generous hands, receive these gifts— not as payment, but as promise. We give not because we're certain, but because we trust You are present in the giving and the receiving. Bless this offering. Use it to comfort the hurting, to lift the forgotten, to build communities of care, and to keep hope alive—especially in the waiting. Amen..

*CLOSING HYMN "How Firm a Foundation" 407

*BENEDICTION
Beloved of God: When the waiting is long, when the answers are few, when the ache is real— May you remember this: You are not alone. You are not forgotten. And you are not without hope. Go in the strength of sacred honesty, in the peace of Presence that never leaves, and in the love of a God who is getting good at waiting with you. Amen.

POSTLUDE "Messe 1, Élévation" Léon Boëllmann

USHERS: Dave Hulkonen, Confirmation Class
NURSERY: Christopherson Family
COFFEE HI: Donstad Family
DEACON OF THE DAY: Becca Jordre

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUTH DAKOTA SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL PRESENTS: ROMEO AND JULIET

Relax under the summer sky for **Romeo & Juliet**, performed at Prentis Park by the **South Dakota Shakespeare Festival** in partnership with Prairie Repertory Theater. This beloved Shakespearean romance comes to life in our own backyard—free to attend, though donations are welcome . Bring a blanket, grab a friend, and immerse yourself in a magical summer of theater! **June 26–29 - 7 pm.**

SHREK THE MUSICAL– A FAIRY-TALE ADVENTURE!

Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek... And thus begins an unlikely hero's journey with a wise-cracking Donkey, a feisty princess, a short-tempered villain, a sassy cookie, and a whole cast of fairy-tale misfits—until Shrek proves there's a hero in all of us. Based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks film, this **Tony Award–winning musical** features brand-new songs by Jeanine Tesori and a side-splitting book by David Lindsay-Abaire. For showtimes and to secure your tickets visit: <http://www.vermillioncommunitytheatre.org>.

Don't miss the laughter, heart, and enchantment—there's always more to the story than meets the ears!