

Participating in Worship Today

Piano & Organ	Julie von Eschen
Song Leaders	Steve & Kelly Brumm
Greeter:	Florence Beutler
Ushers:	Mark & Joyce Landmark
Audio Tech:	Alan Ferguson
Reader:	Dumont Schmidt
Communion Bread:	Tisha Brown
Serving Communion:	Mark & Joyce Landmark
Coffee Hour:	POTLUCK!!!
Ministers	All the People
Pastor	Brad Brookins

How many “ways” do
you think you need?

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father 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 sins,

As we forgive those who sin 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

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12th Sunday after Pentecost!!

August 27, 2017

Greeting
Silence

Prelude *Nearer My God, to Thee*
"Draw near to God, and God will draw near to you..." James 4.8

Bringing in the Light

1st Song *Day by Day*

* 2nd Song *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

* Prayer

God of love and mercy, we gather in this sacred place in thanksgiving and hope. You have set our feet on a good way; lead us forward. Turn our eyes toward Jesus, in whom we see the way of life; turn our thoughts toward our neighbors, in whom we see the reflection of Jesus; turn our hearts to your Creation, the home with "many rooms" promised by Jesus. In your grace and by your Spirit speak to us today we pray. Amen.

L : (Psalm 103) *As the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love towards those who fear God; as far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for us."*
By God's grace today we are forgiven and made whole, and so we all say:

Thanks be to God!

*Breathe on me, Breath of God. Fill me with life anew
That I may love what you do love, and do what you would do.*

The Story Box

What's Happening

Offering

Things to Think

Robert Bly

Think in ways you've never thought before.
If the phone rings, think of it as carrying a message
Larger than anything you've ever heard...

Offertory

He Leadeth Me

* Response *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!*

* Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Our gifts are a faint reflection, Generous God, of our gratitude for the abundance of your world and the abundance of our lives. Transform what we bring into the blessing you intend for the world you love, we pray in Jesus name. Amen.

The Table

We are invited

This Table

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

(The Lord's Prayer is printed on the back of your bulletin)

1st Scripture Reading

John 1. 1-18

2nd Scripture Reading

John 14. 1-11

"...and when God speaks things happen, worlds are created, truth is heard."

Sermon

* Hymn

Marching in the Light of God

(NCH# 526)

* Benediction

Let the Lord's Light Shine

Postlude

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Please remember with your prayers, cards, and calls:

Beecher Daniels, recovering from surgery.
Liz Klopotic traveling to Colorado for a knee surgery.
Jessica Stoll dealing with ongoing serious health issues.

If you would like to submit a name or concern for this prayer list please call or email the church office. Thanks.

Serving in Worship on September 3, 2017

Greeter: Gerhard & Sonja Luetschwager
Ushers: Phil Leavenworth & **volunteer needed**
Audio Tech: Alan Ferguson
Reader: Mary Penninga
Communion Bread: Aimee Gauger
Serving Communion: Aimee & Steve Gauger
Coffee Hour: POTLUCK!!!

Our summer schedule continues through next week, September 3. Fall/Winter schedule begins on September 10. The first Adult Sunday School class for the year will meet around the kitchen table at 9:00 a.m. and the worship service will begin at 10:15. The first regular children's Sunday School will meet on September 24.

The Sunday School Staff are providing materials and space downstairs in the children's area over the summer for kids who need to do something else during the worship time. **There will be no adult staff supervision so for their safety you will need to accompany your kids downstairs**, but feel free to use the space if you need it.

Remember—we are continuing our experiment with POTLUCK!!! coffee hours for the next few months. As always, bring a little of what you have and all will be well fed. If you aren't able to bring something for any reason, please stay and eat anyway. **If you are**

visiting with us we hope you will be our guest. You will likely leave repeating our "brag line" — "*the finest coffee hour in Dane County*".

Please send your announcements to the church office by email or phone call by Thursday of each week. We are trying to cut down on the number of impromptu announcements made during the worship service to save time and avoid disruptions to the worship service.

From Mary Lou Kollath:

As everyone knows, this is quilt raffle ticket selling time. Tickets cost \$1 each, or you can get 6 for \$5. A real deal! The winning ticket will be drawn the first Sunday in November. Thank you.

From Brad

Lorna and I are leaving for Colorado immediately after church today and will be gone until next Sunday, September 3. I am taking the last week of my sabbatical this year to attend the Weird Church Camp—a gathering a church nerds from around the country who will be looking together at what tomorrow holds for churches like ours and what options might be open to us in the future. If you're curious about the conference, check it out here: www.weirdchurchcamp.com

Things to Think

Robert Bly

Think in ways you've never thought before.
If the phone rings, think of it as carrying a message
Larger than anything you've ever heard,
Vaster than a hundred lines of Yeats.
Think that someone may bring a bear to your door,
Maybe wounded and deranged; or think that a moose
Has risen out of the lake, and he's carrying on his antlers
A child of your own whom you've never seen.
When someone knocks on the door, think that he's about
To give you something large: tell you you're forgiven,
Or that it's not necessary to work all the time, or that it's
Been decided that if you lie down no one will die.