

***God's Work! Our Hands!***  
**September 9, 2018**  
**Pioneer Village**  
**9:00 am Services**

\*GATHERING SONG

“Change My Heart, O God!”

**Refrain:**

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the potter; I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me; this is what I pray. (*Refrain*)

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Generous Giver, you provide each of us with gifts to offer back to you and in service to others. Bless this offering [of/for...]. As we feast at your table of life, open our hands to serve and turn our hearts to all in need, trusting in your ever-present abundance for us and for all the world, through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Your waters are a gift to us: oceans and seas, lakes and rivers, streams and ponds, [*name local bodies of water*] nourishing our land, watering the plants, giving life to us.

**Our lives flow from your well of grace.**

Your waters are a gift to us: nourishing the Israelites in the desert, offering healing at the pools of Bethesda and Siloam, proclaiming Jesus beloved in the waters of the Jordan.

**Our lives flow from your well of grace.**

Your waters are a gift to us: drowning us in baptism, washing away our death, calling us to the work of reconciliation.

**Our lives flow from your well of grace.**

Your waters are a gift to us: soothing our thirst for justice and peace at home, in our community, and around the globe; carrying us forward to our thirsting neighbors in need.

**Our lives flow from your well of grace.**

Continue to fill us with your love that our lives may proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: Psalm 126:3

<sup>3</sup> The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 2:1-11

2 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <sup>2</sup> then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <sup>4</sup> not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. <sup>5</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature<sup>[a]</sup> God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; <sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature<sup>[b]</sup> of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! <sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him to the

highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,<sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

\*GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-16

<sup>13</sup>“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.”<sup>14</sup>“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.”<sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.<sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

SERMON

Greg Wede

\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

\*LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.**

\*BLESSING & DISMISSAL

\*SENDING SONG

“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,  
to make of all the earth a better place to live. *(Repeat)*

The angels are not sent into our world of pain  
to do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;  
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today. *(Repeat)*

### SUNDAY SERVANTS

**ACOLYTES:** Wesley Widboom

**USHER:** Grace McGaughey

**VAN DRIVER:** Matt Russell

**GUITAR:** Austin Smith

**BUSY BAGS:** September – Paula Laffrenzen

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Radio Broadcast Sponsor:** In memory of William & Edith Kruse and William & Ann Burmeister.  
(Service time is 8:00 am on the radio.)

**Bell Choir** will begin on Wednesday, September 12 at 5:00 pm. Please come and join us in this ministry. All are welcome.

**GriefShare** will be held on Tuesday afternoons in the lounge from 2:00 – 3:30 pm and run through November 27. You can join us at any time during these weeks. Call the church office at 376-6148 to register.

**Kids For Christ (KFC)** begins September 19.



## 21<sup>st</sup> COUNTRY WESTERN SERVICE

September 16, 2018 @ 9:00 am

Special Guests: Klaassen Family Singers

Mark the date on your calendar and be sure to bring your friends and neighbors to share this special time together.



**We are looking for volunteers to help prepare and serve the meals for Wednesday nights.** Serving of the meal is at 5:15 pm. If you would be interested in helping with this ministry, please sign up on the table in Centennial Hall. **Thrivent Members** – If you could sign up to receive a card to pay for some of the food, please let Jon or Pastor Jeanette know that you are willing to sign up to do this.

**Volunteers are needed** to help with KFC (3:30-5:00 Wednesday nights). We are also looking for helpers for Sunday School and possibly confirmation/youth group.

**Rally Sunday** will be held on Sunday, September 23. Please join us for a great kick off to the new Sunday School Year. Bibles will be handed out to the K, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Graders during the service.

**Servant Sign Up** sheets are on the tables in Centennial Hall. Please stop by and sign up for ministry servant opportunities. If you are currently serving, please resign so we have a current list. Thank you!

### FELC SCHEDULE FOR September 10 – September 16, 2018

Monday	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>Bulletin Deadline</b>
10	6:00PM	Cherish All Children Meeting
	6:00PM	Worship & Music Team
Tuesday	2:00-3:30PM	GriefShare
11	5:00PM	Bell Choir
	6:00PM	Boy Scouts
	6:15PM	Youth Team
	7:00PM	Day Care Association Meeting
Wednesday	10:30AM	Meadows Bible Study
12	5:15PM	Meal
	6:00PM	Worship – Dusty Neugebauer
	6:30PM	7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
	6:30PM	Sanctuary Choir
	6:30PM	Property Team
		<b><u>EVANGEL DEADLINE</u></b>
Thursday		
13		
Friday		Pastor's Day Off
14		
Saturday		
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Sunday	9:00AM	Worship/Country Western Service
16		Klassen Family Singers

**Thank You** - Orville was overwhelmed with cards and greetings. Your prayers are definitely felt and your kindness is greatly appreciated. God bless you all.

Lon Lien, Carolyn Hoffman and Orv's extended family

**Nondenominational Widow' Ministry** will meet at American Lutheran Church, 915 Winifred St., Worthington on Monday, Sept. 10 at 2 pm. Program will be Kathy Brandt sharing photos and comments regarding her trip to the Holy Land.

**Seasoned Citizens** will meet on Thursday, September 27 at 2:00 pm in Centennial Hall. Diane Graber will be our presenter.



**Members:** Orville Lien, Dustin Poppema, Al Luing, Ron Hallstrom, Leanna Lundquist, Gene Wachter, Dale Koob, Betty Nelson, Diane Sletten

**Members in Nursing Homes:** Dianne Sanderson, Sandra Marsh, June Boots, Nancy Zuehlke, Arlene Muse

**Members in Care Facilities:** Norma Radenbaugh, Jerry Anderson, Bobbie Elvin, Dorothy Hallstrom, Joan Doeden, Adeline Larson, Jean Bender, Wes Anderson, Edna Marsh

**Family Members & Friends:** Virgil Reed (Darcy Poppema's dad), Peggy Konold (Norma Radenbaugh's daughter), Bob & Arlene Fink (sister & brother-in-law to Fern Burmeister), Scott Luing (Al Luing's son), Gene Termunde (Lisa Waldner's brother), Brad Martens (Valerie Veen's son), Mary Elsing, Vivian Oakes, Pat Termunde (Lisa Waldner's mom), Smokey Brandt, Julie Garvin

**Our service men and women**

**Our Missionaries:** Chuck & Sybil Rounds in Costa Rica and Love INC