

To Our Visitors, Welcome!

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come – this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus her Lord.

We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning and we invite you to join us in fellowship in the parlor preceding the service, at 10:15, where coffee and cookies are served. Come and get to know our members and begin to learn more about us.

Children are welcomed and encouraged to remain in the Worship service, however an unstaffed nursery is available for parents and children who might need a little break. Ask anyone with a nametag for directions. Denim activity bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during the service.



In the Communion Service today, you may choose either **wine** or **grape juice**.

The **wine** is red and is located around the **outside** of the tray.

The **juice** is white and is located in the **inner part** of the tray.

Upcoming Events for the week of September 8-14

Monday

2:00 P.M. Parish Life
5:30 P.M. Evangelism
7:00 P.M. Stewardship

Tuesday

4:15 & 6:15 P.M. Companions in Christ

Wednesday

9:30 A.M. Bible Study
7:00 Choir
8:00 Bells

Saturday

10:30 A.M. 80+ Brunch

Sunday

9:15 Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship
12:00 Congregational Meeting

Please note that there will be a Congregational Meeting after the worship service next Sunday, September 14.

Participants in Today's Service

Pastor
Liturgist
Head Usher
Communion Servers

Organist
Greeter

Paul R. Kuhn
Greg Irwin
Patti Christensen
MH Hennagin, Sheryl Barksdale,
Henry Groenenberg, Al Sanford
Beverly McAmis Reese
MH Hennagin

Minute for Missions

Praying for Our EPC World Outreach (WO) Missionaries

Thank you from the Evangelism Committee to those of you who have already been called by God to pray for one of our EPC missionary couples or an individual missionary or their child! IN ADDITION, Evangelism asks that we place our names on the list of intercessors just added to the tall table in the mission area. This will help us ensure everyone is covered in prayer.

An option for those who want to be more on top of the needs of our EPC missionaries and read prayer requests on personal computers or phones:

- e-mail Phil Thrash at phil.thrash@epwo.net telling him you would like to pray for our missionaries and to register with WOonthego. (WO = World Outreach)
- Use the invitation code he sends you to go to www.woonthego.com and sign in securely. Save the user name & password you create!
- Peruse the daily e-mails you receive from WOonthego to see if your missionary has a recent prayer request.
- Be blessed as you pray and become closer to our LORD in the process!

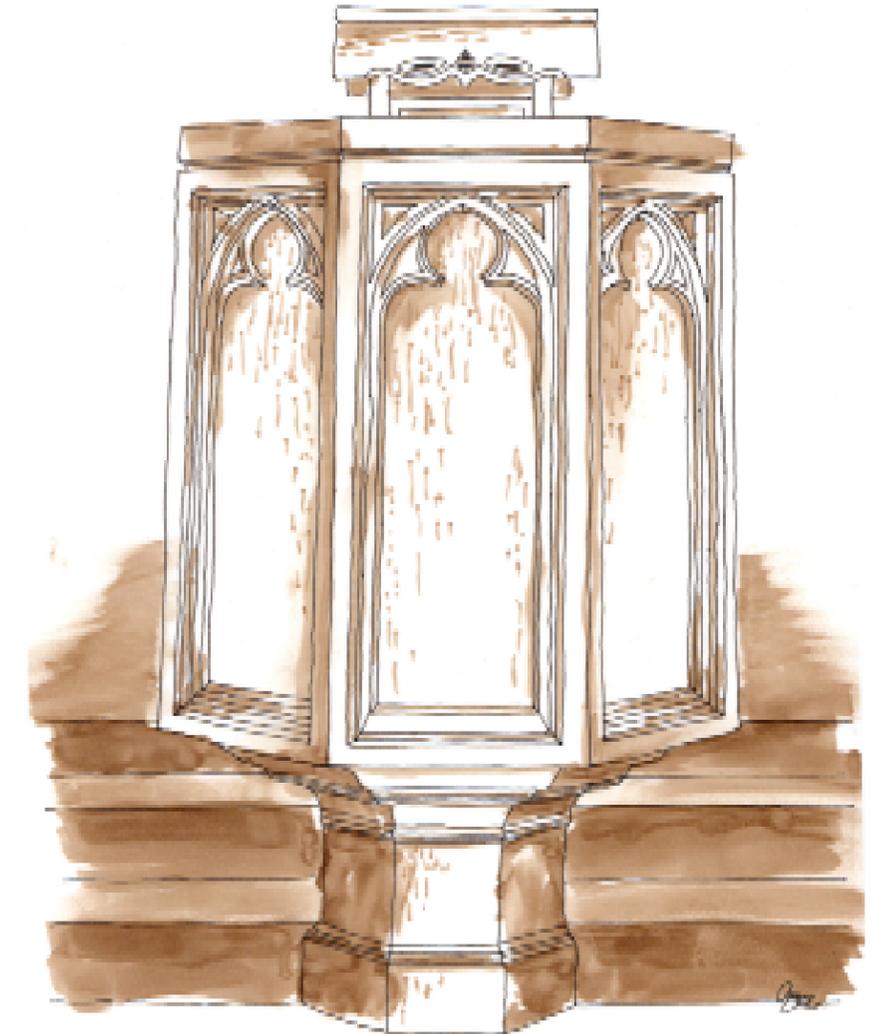
Information

There will be a Congregational Meeting after the worship service next Sunday, September 14, for the purposes of electing a Pastor Search Committee, filling current vacancies on the Session, and approving changes to the Mission Statement.

- † Please call the church office (237-9509) ...
 - ✓ If you or a member of your family would like a visit while recuperating in the hospital or at home.
 - ✓ If you would like your name added to the Prayer Band.
 - ✓ If you would like your name in the Sunday Bulletin for prayer.
- † The Session is asking for a per capita payment of \$40.00 for 2014 (above and beyond your pledge).

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Order for the Worship of God

September 7, 2014

Communion

Prelude *Partita on Lobe den Herren* Charles Callahan

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Grace and Peace to you. **People: And also to you.**

*Introit

1. Choir: Je - sus where - e'er your peo - ple meet, there they be -
 2. All: For you, with - in no walls con - fined, are dwell - ing

hold your mer - cy seat; where-e'er they seek you, you are
 in the hum - ble mind; such ev - er bring you where they

found, and ev - 'ry place is hal - lowed ground.
 come, and go - ing, take you to their home.

*Call to Worship (responsively) Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

People: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name!

People: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Invocation

***Hymn** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* #53

*Prayer of Confession (in unison)

LORD God, eternal and everlasting Father; we acknowledge before Thy holy majesty that we are sinners, conceived and born in guilt and corruption, unable of ourselves to do any good; who by reason of our depravity transgress without end Thy holy commandments. Therefore, we have drawn upon ourselves by just sentence condemnation and death. But, O LORD, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and deplore our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true penitence beseeching Thee that Thy grace may relieve our distress.

Be pleased then to have compassion on us, O most gracious God, Father of all mercies, for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. And in removing our guilt, grant us the daily increase of Thy Holy Spirit; that acknowledging from our inmost hearts our own unrighteousness, we may be touched with sorrow that we shall work true repentance; and that Thy Spirit, mortifying all sin within us, may produce the fruits of holiness and righteousness well pleasing in Thy sight. Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

~ Silent prayer ~ Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (responsively)

Leader: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."

All: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Thanks be to God!

*Gloria #735

Anthem *The Twenty-Third Psalm* Arr. Jay Althouse

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Text Deuteronomy 10:12-22
 Pew Bible [Blue p. 155] [Red p. 197]

New Testament Text Acts 2:38-47
 Pew Bible [Blue p. 910] [Red p. 1158]

Sermon "The Marks of the Church" Pastor Paul Kuhn

***Hymn** *Lord of the Worlds Above* #375

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation
 Prayer of Thanksgiving
 The Lord's Prayer
 The Institution
 The Giving of the Bread and Wine

The Prayer of Praise (in unison)

Heavenly Father, we give Thee immortal thanks and praise that upon us Thou hast conferred so great a benefit as to bring us into the communion of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; whom having been delivered up to death for us, Thou has given for our food and nourishment unto eternal life.

Now grant us grace that we may never be unmindful of these things, but rather shall carry them engraven upon our hearts, that we may advance and grow in that faith which is effectual unto every good work. Thus may the rest of our lives be ordered and followed out to Thy glory and to the edification of our neighbors; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with Thee, O Father, and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth in unity, one God, world without end. Amen

***Hymn** *To God Be the Glory* #55

Tithes and Offerings
Offertory *Variations on "Old Hundredth"* Adrienne Tindall

***Doxology** #729

*Benediction

***Postlude** *Tocatta in E Minor* Johann Pachelbel

Please stand if you are able

Prayer Concerns

✠ For Matt Martin, Johnny Ussery, Justen Christensen, Bobbie Waldram, Sue Robertson, Carol Palomo, Jan Capps, Heather Milliken, Paula Gardner, Marielle Bondurant, Margarete Krans, Joanna Volker, Barbara Scifers, Jo Moreland, Janis Hall, Tom Hoffman, Bev Hutchins, Anna Michenzi, Barb Matthews.

✠ For our country, the President, Cabinet, government officials, and staff; for our Congressional Delegation: Senators Mike Enzi and John Barrasso, Representative Cynthia Lummis; for Judge Brian D. Christensen.

✠ For all military men and women and their families, especially Brian Barksdale and all those serving in dangerous positions.

✠ For the Presbytery of Wyoming; the EPC Presbytery of the West; our Elders and Deacons; Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church (EPC), Lingle; Kenya's Chogoria South Presbytery, the Kamwangu Nendini and Pastor Mackylas; Ali Arhab, Channel North Africa's outreach to new Christians and to Muslims

✠ For Christians suffering persecution in Libya, Iraq, Syria, Pakistan; for Christians at risk in Nigeria, Kenya, Algeria and elsewhere.

Please update the office about those you have added to these Prayer Concerns.