

Welcome to Community of Faith Presbyterian Church!

Pastor: Rev. Sharon D. Carter

Music Director: Joanna Bailey

Musician: Roy Miller - Bass

Clerk of Session: Dawn Ramsey Farwick

Our purpose is to be a community of faith serving in the likeness of Christ. We aspire to servanthood in order to be faithful to our calling as Christians. We work both as individuals and in community to live faithful lives in response to that calling. We believe that we are saved by faith in order to speak the gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord and do God's work in the world

Sunday Mornings—We welcome any visitors to our community today! Worship begins at 10:30 am; children leave for Sunday School after the anthem (except for Communion Sundays, when they stay for the entire service.) Visitors are invited to sign the guest book near the front door.

In Our Prayers

Nancy Ziegler, Betty Murphy, Shirley Weigel, Ruth and Jack Roeber, The McDermott family, Johanna Willis, Nita Kleier, Inky Hall, David Weitzel, Joanna Bailey, Jean Jennings' family, Mary Lee Harrison, Emille Walden, Deborah Grover, Kelly Montana, Margaret Meyer, Lynda Jaeger, and Floyd Hastings.

Sunday Schedule:

Fellowship 10:00am; Service 10:30am

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Sunday, July 8, 2018

Upcoming Events:

7/8: Trustees Meeting
(meet in the parlor after
worship service)

7/15, 7/22, 7/29: Worship Service

7/11: Stretching & Meditation

7/16-7/17: Cornerstone Mission

7/25: Stretching & Meditation

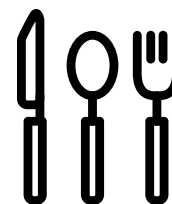
The Scriptures for Sunday, July 15

2 Samuel 6:1–5,
12b–19

Psalms 24

Ephesians 1:3–14

Mark 6:14–29



Cornerstone— Community of Faith will be serving at Cornerstone this month. We will prepare the food at COF on Monday, July 16 at 3:00pm. On Tuesday, July 17, we'll serve at Cornerstone. Meet at the church at 5:00pm on Tuesday if you would like to help serve.



Stretching & Meditation— We will be gathering on July 11 & July 25 for stretching and meditating in the labyrinth.

Reading Between the Lectionary Lines

Today's lectionary passage tells two stories: first, of Jesus being in Nazareth teaching in the synagogue and getting no respect. The second story involves Jesus sending out the disciples, two by two, into the towns where Jesus will be visiting; travelling light with no extra money, bag, sandals, or cloak. These stories come on the heels of the double healing of the woman with the hemorrhage and Jairus' daughter and the healing of the Gerasene demoniac. We should notice that in these earlier passages—outside of Nazareth--Jesus shows great power; whereas in Nazareth his power is limited (as is the respect shown to him.)

Why do you think Jesus is disrespected in his hometown? Why is he unable to show his power there?

Have you ever faced disrespect for a talent among people who know you well (your family or the people you grew up with?) How did you deal with that disrespect?

This week we again have no missing verses in our lectionary from Mark. Instead, be looking ahead this week to next Sunday's story—the death of John the Baptist. This story is told in a 'flashback' style: it opens with King Herod hearing about Jesus' power and the power of the disciples and he is afraid. The reason for his fear is revealed in verse 16; the story of John's death is then told in the next 12 verses.

Why is Herod afraid when he hears about Jesus' power to heal and drive out demons?

Why did Herod have John the Baptist killed?

What in today's culture kills (or tries to kill) the power of God working in the world? How can we live our lives in ways that allow or encourage God's power to work in the world?

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