

## Prayer Requests

**Joys: Week of 8-23-26** – The Cutsinger wedding was a fun time for all of us, and we ask for many blessings and joys for this new life shared with many friends and extended family! Thank You, Lord, for this wonderful celebration!

**Concerns: Week of 8-23-26** –Joyce Davis; Flynn & Jo Fuller's grandson, Wesam; Ben Hermans; Pat Howard's granddaughter Caitlin's friend Savannah; Nepal, the terrible destruction and loss of life; Faye West; Larry West.

**Ongoing prayers:** Lisa Barnes; Nancy Campbell; Doug & Carolyn Drake; Carol Gove; Kendra Hoffman's nephew, Jordan; Laura Holloman; Bobbie Holmes; Jim & Carolyn Hopkins; Pat Howard & her daughter, Erin; Dave & Vicki Hunt; Mary Kristensen; Rev. Steve & Pam McNeal Laue; Gerald & Sharon Marchant; Tom & Donna Masterson; Maury & Rozanne Malaise; Ken & Connie Quinn; Ron & Karen Rezny, and family; Kim & Judy Riddlesworth; Roy & Margaret Sims; Arline Slocumb; Sandy Smith's sister, Carolyn; Madonna & Sidney Thomas' brother, William, a cousin, Cryilla, and a niece, Manan; Nella Tjeerdsma's friend, Peggy.

**Prayers for Friends and Family:** Richard Holdsworth's sister, Virginia (age 95 in NY); Dave & Vicki Hunt's son-in-law, Todd; Jacque Laats' niece, Jaxon & Kurt (in AK); Norma Lombardi's sister, Antoinette (age 100 in NY); Jan Mills' sister, Greta (age 96 in MO); Jan Mills' niece, Lettie (in MO); Kathy N.'s mom's best friend, Juanetta (age 101 in TX); Faye West's brother & s-i-l, Ray & Lonnie West (in MN).

**For Family and Loved Ones of the Following People Who Died:** Ken Kraft (10-13-25); Kelly Quinn (10-28-25); Donna Doede (10-29-25); Norma Lawson (12-15-25); Juanita Howard (12-27-25); Joanne Wilson (12-27-25); Terri Nekvinda (12-30-25); Raymond Drake (1-3-26); Thelma Rush (3-13-26); Darlene McSparran (3-13-26); Gladys Kelley (3-27-26); Tony Kalinski (4-2-26); Elaine Cooper (4-22-26); Dave Hoffman (4-24-26); Mona Parmar (5-8-26); Ed Rockwell (6-12-26); Frank Castle (8-2-26); Robert (Bob) Davis (9-2-26).

### Prayer for Healthy Churches to make a Healthy World:

We lift prayers for all pets that are in animal shelters to find forever homes where the mutual love of pet and owner will flourish to make both lives more pleasant and fun. We also lift those who are grieving a loss, those who are experiencing pain, those who are lonely, those who are hungry, and those experiencing homelessness. We pray for the first responders, police, doctors, nurses and all supporting medical services, as they are the ones who God works through to help all of us. We pray for those who are going through medical procedures and those who need emotional support. We pray for those whose hearts are broken that they will be healed. We pray for relationships to be mended and healed. We pray for those who have drifted away from God. We know that God's love never ends. We pray we may reflect God's love so others may experience it, too.

### Our Military in Service: (\*\* = serving overseas)

Air Force: SSgt. Kathryn Jones, TSgt. Kyler Sengsavath \*\*

ANG: A1C Morgan Ailsieger, TSgt. Malika Sengsavath

Army: Spec. Matthew Farris\*\*, WO2 Wesley Meadows \*\*

Marines: Cpl. Trayton Stewart

Navy: E-5 Nicholas Rinker, ATC Echo Smith, Lt. Nav03 Karl Kristensen



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Service of Scripture, Prayer and Music

September 13, 2026, 10:30 am  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**Prelude**                    “As the Deer with Fairest Lord Jesus”                    Martin Nystrom  
arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome/Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship:**

Leader: We are chosen children of God, bound together by the Holy Spirit.  
People: We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.  
Leader: The Spirit empowers us to live as imitators of Christ in love of God,  
neighbor, self, and all creation.  
People: We belong to God, and through God, we learn to love one another.  
Leader: The Spirit inspires us to receive God’s Word with joy in a world that  
rejects the good news.  
People: We belong to God, and through God, we live in joy with one another.  
Leader: Come, let us worship in the assurance of God’s love that chooses us,  
empowers us, and inspires us to live as the family of Christ.  
People: We come to worship God in the assurance that we belong to God,  
and through God, we belong to one another. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2026

**\*Opening Hymn**                    Blest Be the Tie That Binds                    UMH 557

**Offering**

**Offertory**                    “Lift Me Up”                    Andy Beck  
Sue Wilson & Peggy Skok, duet

**\*Doxology**                    Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow                    UMH 94

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**Children’s Message**

**Good News**

**Scripture**                    1 Corinthians 12:14-25                    Sally Hamill

**Song of Praise**                    If We Are the Body                    Mark Hall

**Sermon**                    It’s Okay to Be Different                    Pastor Misty Howick

**Call To Prayer**                    Love Each Other                    Graham Kendrick

**Silent Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn**                    As a Fire Is Meant for Burning                    TFWS 2237

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**                    “To God Be the Glory”                    William H. Doane

*\*Please stand as you are able*

| Worship Service and Music           |                                                                         |                                             |
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| Rev. Misty Howick<br>Pastor         | Jeffrey Conger, Sue Wilson, Scott South<br>& Joanne Croft – Praise Team | Chaplain Kathy Norris<br>Pastoral Assistant |
| Jeffrey Conger<br>Director of Music | Randy Wilson<br>Audio/Visual Manager                                    | Alex Lunardi<br>Accompanist                 |