

Prayer Requests

Joys: Week of 9-20-26 – PJ Colebrook has a new great-grandson, Josiah Jay Michael Epperson, who was born on International Day of Peace, 9-21-26; Sue Millenbaugh had her 6-month checkup, and she is still cancer free! Great to see Larry West on Sunday! Thank You, gracious and loving God, for the exquisite blessings that bring much joy to many!

Concerns: Week of 9-20-2026 – Lisa Barnes; PJ Colebrook & the whole Epperson family; Jo & Flynn Fuller's grandson, Wesam; Paulette Holler's friend, Harriot; Ken Martin; Sue Millenbaugh; Kathy Norris' friend, Juanetta; Sandy Smith's sister, Carolyn.

Ongoing prayers: Nancy Campbell; Joyce Davis; Doug & Carolyn Drake; Carol Gove; Laura Holloman; Bobbi 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; Madonna & Sidney Thomas' brother, William, a cousin, Cryilla, and a niece, Manan; Nella Tjeerdsma's friend, Peggy; Faye West; Larry West.

Prayers for Friends and Family: Richard Holdsworth's sister, Virginia (age 95 in NY); Kendra Hoffman's nephew, Jordan (WI) Pat Howard's granddaughter, Caitlin's friend Savannah (NE); 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); Andrea Muzzarelli's daughter, Heather (in IL); 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)

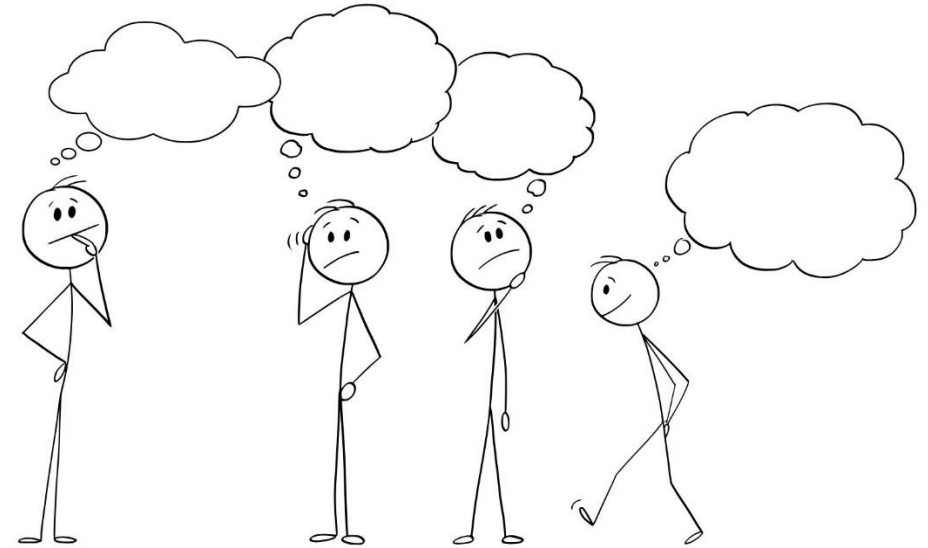
Air Force: SSgt. Kathryn Jones, TSgt. Kyler Sengsavath **

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 27, 2026, 10:30 am
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” arr. Faye Lopez
Grosser Gott, Katholisches Gesangbuch 1774

Welcome/Announcements

***Call to Worship:**
Leader: We come to worship God so that we can learn to be humble.
People: God reminds us through Jesus that the first shall be last, and the last shall be first.
Leader: We come to worship God so that we can learn to be kind.
People: God reminds us through Jesus’ conversations with the Pharisees that being kind is better than being right.
Leader: God, we come to you so that we can learn to be responsible for our own actions and admit the facts of the situations we are in.
People: God, you remind us through the prophets that we, like Judah and Israel, have made mistakes. You also tell us not to be afraid. You can make good out of bad situations. You can make good out of us.
All: Help us to believe in the goodness of others and ourselves. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** Great is Thy Faithfulness UMH 140

Offering

Offertory “Ain’t Got Time to Die” Hall Johnson
Sue Wilson, Peggy Skok, Ken Martin, Jeffrey Conger

***Doxology** Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 94

***Offertory Prayer**
Children’s Message
Good News
Scripture Zechariah 8:9-17 Kathleen Puntar
Song of Praise This is the Stuff Eskelin, Battistelli & Wood
Sermon The Story I Tell Myself Is... Pastor Misty Howick
Call To Prayer You Are My All in All Dennis Jernigan
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
Lord’s Prayer
***Closing Hymn** Change My Heart, O God TFWS 2152
***Benediction**
***Postlude** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” arr. Sean Paul
Lobe den Herren, Stralsund Gesangbuch 1665

*Please stand as you are able

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