

Weekly Worship

love all • live spiritually • rejoice in hope • show hospitality

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Public Worship will be held at 10:30 am Sunday morning.

Community Prayer

God of mercy, your word was the sure defense of Jesus in his time of testing. Minister to us in the wilderness of our temptation, that we who have been set free from sin by Christ may serve you well into life everlasting.

Amen.

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Call to Worship

Feel free to follow along with our Call to Worship from the live-streamed worship service on Sunday.

One: Led by the Holy Spirit, we come to this place.

Many: God has given us this haven where we may bring our hopes, our fears, our doubts, our wonder.

One: Led by the Holy Spirit, we will gather at the Table.

Many: Jesus has come to be with us in our lives, to feed us with grace and peace.

One: Led by the Holy Spirit, we will go to serve God's people.

Many: There is no distinction between "us" and "them;" we are sisters and brothers in God's family.



Rae-Hope Putney is celebrating her 101st birthday on February 27th

The Putney family is hosting coffee fellowship on February 26th following Worship. If you are unable to attend please send her a card in celebration of this milestone.

Rae-Hope Putney 3010 S. 51st St. Ct. ∦11 Lincoln, NE 68505

We welcome The Rev. H. Eduardo Bousson to the Pulpit this week

Eduardo was born and raised in Puerto Rico. In 1996 he moved to Kansas City to earn his Masters of Divinity at Saint Paul School of Theology. He has served in full-time ministry with the United Methodist Church for 23 years, serving the last 14 as a campus minister. In 2011 he was awarded the Francis Asbury Award for excellence in campus ministry. Currently, he serves Nebraska Wesleyan University as its university minister. Eduardo's work is organized around his passions in vocational discernment, inclusion, and interfaith cooperation. Eduardo is married to another pastor, The Rev. Karen Jeffcoat. Together they enjoy life with their two children and their cats.

LaVonne Ogren Birthday Notice - Happy 100th Birthday

LaVonne Ogren is turning 100 on March 3rd. Let's shower her with cards on this amazing milestone in her life.

Mailing address is:

LaVonne Ogren 7208 Van Dorn, ∦123 Lincoln, NE 68506



First Christian Church Pulpit Supply February to April 2023

Feb. 26 – Eduardo Bousson

Mar. 5 – Melissa Strong Mar. 12 – Melissa Strong Mar. 19 – Kara Hillhouse Mar. 26 – Kara Hillhouse

Scripture Reading

Psalm 32

Of David. A Maskil.

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,

and in whose spirit there is no deceit. While I kept silence, my body wasted away

through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;

my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

Selah

Then I acknowledged my sin to you,

and I did not hide my iniquity;

I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord',

and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Selah

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;

at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

You are a hiding-place for me;

you preserve me from trouble;

you surround me with glad cries of deliverance. Selah

I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;

I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,

whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,

else it will not stay near you.

Many are the torments of the wicked,

but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

Matthew 4:1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you",

and "On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." '

Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." '

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." '

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Prayers & Praises February 26, 2023

In Our Church Family:

- Marvin Thurber
- William Deterding
- Vic Burgess
- Jessica Vocasek
- Relda Lathrop
- Susan Pallas-Duncan
- Karen Moritz • Rae-Hope Putney
 - Rhonda Ball

Donna Baker

• Polly Putney

Lois Frogge

• Joan Dietrich

Bobbi Carlin

• Mildred Brockemeyer

Relatives:

- Friends and Family of Vic Burgess
- Kevin Pinneo, healing prayers following knee replacement. Husband of Carla Pinneo

Friends:

- Cedric Gibb, healing prayers, friend of Cec Burkhart
- Carson Mousel, grandson of Bob and Eileen Kunz, from Mildred Brockemeyer

Our Timothys:

- Bruce Frogge at Cypress Creek CC in Spring, TX
- Glenda Dietrich Moore, Creative Arts Ministry in Lincoln, NE

In the Nebraska Region:

Edenton Chrstisan Church and Rev. Christy Ahmose

Our Global Ministries Missionaries:

Partners in the Marshall Islands

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Song of the Week

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above! Text: Robert Grant, 1833

O worship the King all-glorious above, O gratefully sing his power and his love: our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might and sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail. Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might, unchangeable Love, whom angels delight to worship above! Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze, in true adoration shall sing to your praise!