

## Persons Helping Us Experience Worship Today:

Greeters: Butch & Rose Spradley

Scripture Reader: Wanda Aheron

Ushers: Mark Hollar, Bobbie Fox, Michael Aheron

Praise Team: Hannah Sullivan, Rose Spradley, Vic Spradley, Heather Roberts, Lisa Clary, Jason Gordon, Mark Hollar, Rachel Gorrell, Bruce Buck

Pianist: Rowena Rantanen

AV Team: Bruce Buck, Mike Sullivan, Laura Rantanen, Bobbie Fox, Mason St. John

Pastor: Rev. Angela Hollar

## Circle of Prayer:

Karen Broderick, Nina Nalle Robinson and her family (Elyn and Helen), Tamara and David McElveen, Dave Young, Chris Yancey, Rev. Jim Tate, Becky Bullock, Chuck Friedl, Renee Young, the family of Bud Cameron, the family of Margaret Gordon, the family of Dennis Coleman, Betty McGee, Bobbie Fox, Roger Pretsch, Amy Mason, David Millett

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## Calendar of Events

Monday, September 4th	Labor Day – Church Office Closed
Thursday, September 7th 6:45 PM	Praise Band Practice
Monday, September 11th 7:00 PM	United Women in Faith

## Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

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*“Preparing for the Passing Over of the Angel of Death”  
With The Children On Sundays, Internet Archive Book Images*

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**Church at Six Forks**  
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Sunday, September 3rd, 2023 - 10:00 AM  
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Labor Day Weekend

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**Entrance and Praise**

Prelude *May this be a time for quiet reflection and meditation.*  
“I Will Pass Over You When I See the Blood” - Belden  
“Praise God for Eternity” - Tollefson

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Hollar

Call to Worship “My Tribute” UMH #99

\*Opening Prayer BOW #378

\*Hymn of Praise “He Has Made Me Glad” TFWS #2270

\*Affirmation of Faith UMH #883  
“A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada”

\*Gloria Patri “Glory Be to the Father” UMH #70

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Children’s Time Rev. Hollar

**Proclamation and Response**

First Lesson Psalm 149 Wanda Aheron

This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Anthem “Open My Eyes, That I May See” UMH #454

Preparation for Prayer

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Hollar

Second Lesson Exodus 12:1-14 Rev. Hollar

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Sermon “A Meal to Remember” Rev. Hollar

Holy Communion *Insert*  
“Morning Has Broken” UMH #145

**Thanksgiving**

Offering of Our Gifts  
Offertory Prayer  
Offertory “Help Us to Share” - Weaver

\*Doxology UMH #94

**Sending Forth**

\*Closing Hymn “Just as I am Without One Plea” UMH #357  
(During the closing hymn, the altar of our church is open for a time of personal prayer and reflection.)

\*Sending Forth Rev. Hollar

\*Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Postlude “When I See the Blood, I Will Pass Over You” - Foote

\*You are invited to stand, as you are able.

*Please take your bulletin with you as you leave.  
Recycle it both literally and spiritually.*

**Sunday, September 3, 2023**  
**The Great Thanksgiving for Ordinary Time**

*Invitation*

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

*Confession and Pardon*

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners: that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**Glory to God. Amen.**

*The Great Thanksgiving*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day when justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would

save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. At his ascension you exalted him to sit and reign with you at your right hand.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Giving the Bread and Cup*

*Congregational Prayer after all have received communion:*

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**