



For I will forgive their iniquity
and remember their sin no more
-Jeremiah 31: 34

Sunday, October 19, 2025

*Prayer candles are available at the communion rail
Financial gifts may be made in the wooden offering boxes
Please silence your electronic devices*

THE GATHERING & PIANO PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Pièce, op. 189

Mel Bonis

THE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Liturgist

Let us never give up praying for justice,
**or the oppressed in this world will one
day ask us 'Why?'**

Liturgist

Let us never give up praying for fairness,
**or the hungry of this world will one day
ask us 'Why?'**

Liturgist

Let us never give up praying for healing,
**or the sick in this world will one day ask
us 'Why?'**

Liturgist

Let us never give up praying,
**for to give up is to deny our faith in a God
who answers prayer.**

THE ENTRANCE HYMN*

Leave it There

UMH #522

vss. 1 - 3

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

Gracious God,
we confess that we do not meditate on
your commands and teachings all day
long.

We do not keep your word before us
always and in all things.

Instead, we turn away from your
demanding truth and wander toward
easier options.

Forgive us, we pray,
for pursuing our own desires rather
than yours.

Forgive us for growing weary in following
you;

for failing to pray and work tirelessly
for justice;

for losing hope in your power to
transform the powers of this world.

Tune our ears to the sound of your
justice.

Turn our hearts to your commandments
and word of grace.

Do not remember our sin,
but remember your mercy forever.

We pray in Christ's name.

AMEN.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

Pastor

Friends, God promises to forgive us, to put our sins
out of God's own mind and heart. In this way, God
gives us not just a second chance but a new
beginning. Believe the good news of the gospel: our
salvation is through faith in Christ Jesus. Thanks
be to God!

AMEN.

THE GLORIA PATRI*

UMH #70

**THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
& THE LORD'S PRAYER**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 31: 27 - 34

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY* UMH #94

THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 18: 1 - 8

THE MESSAGE The Reverend Don Ackerman
Holy Stubbornness

THE CLOSING HYMN* UMH #526
What a Friend We Have in Jesus

THE BENEDICTION*

THE POSTLUDE Cindy Berry
Lead On, O King Eternal

* - Please stand as you are able
UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Reverend Don Ackerman
Pastor

Connie Lewis
Liturgist

Julie Smith
Director of Children's Ministries

Brent Schloneger
Guest Pianist

Miette Schloneger
Flautist

All Saints' Sunday

*-November 2, 2025-
Please bring framed photos of any loved ones
who have entered into eternal life*

Happy
Birthday

10/19 – Harper Leebens,
Sally Mendell
10/24 – Becky Wilson
10/25 – Daniel Peters
10/26 – Daniel Harsh

THIS WEEK AT CROSSROADS

Wednesday, October 22
Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:00 am - Conference Room

Friday, October 24
Gibbs Food Ministry
2:00 pm - Education Wing

Crossroads Community Action

Our Next Meeting:
TODAY!

11:15 am - Conference Room
See Megan Smith for details - Everyone is welcome!



United
Women
in Faith

Saturday, November 8

11:15 am - 1:15 pm
Simpson United Methodist Church
4900 Middlebranch Ave NE
-Please RSVP Karen Zotta-

All women are invited to this special program about Chasing Hope House, which prepares foster teens for independent living.

Please bring donations of full-size toiletries, socks, shelf-stable snacks and easy meal staples to the program.

SIGN UP FOR OUR EMAIL NEWSLETTER
The Crossroads Chronicle Weekly
cantonforallpeople.org/email

To help keep our sacred space clean, at the conclusion of the service,
please return this bulletin to one of the wooden tables located throughout the sanctuary

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