



Welcome to Worship! — We're so glad you have joined us this morning. If you are a guest today, please fill out a Covenant Connect card and place it in the offering. **Children's Church** is for 3-7 year olds; 8 yrs old and older need to stay with their parents. Parents, drop off your children prior to joining the service. (10:30am service)

Communion Sunday — Today is Communion Sunday and all who have accepted Christ as their savior are welcome to participate. The bread that is being served is gluten-free for the convenience of all participants.

Compassion Offering—will be received today to be used for emergencies or other needs of those in our congregation or community. The collection plate will be at the rear of the church. You may use your offering envelope and mark the section "other" as Compassion Fund.

Missions Conference Opportunities — March 7-15

- **Serving Meals** —
 - Family Fun Night
 - Prayer Brunch
 - Round Table Discussion
 - Sunday Potluck
- **Ruby's Pantry** — Monday, March 9 at 4:30pm.
- **Host a Missionary for a Meal** — contact Lynn Peterson
- **Decorate** for the conference — contact Lynn Peterson
- **Mission Faith Story** — If you have seen God provide funds for your faith promise, please talk to Lynn Peterson at 324.0508.

Welcome — We are excited to welcome Joel & Michelle Maxwell and Hollie Bahr to our membership!

Congratulations — to our newly elected leaders: Alan Johnson as Chairman, Justin Carney as Properties Officer, and Stacy Hall as our part-time organizational intern.

Reminder — We are springing forward into Daylight Savings Time next Sunday, March 8!

Birthday Party — On Sunday, March 8, Ruth Vacura will be 80! Join us for cake and coffee from 12-3pm to celebrate this beautiful woman in the gym. Your presence is present enough!

Community Opportunities...

Community Clothes Closet — Drop off clothing/household items on Wednesday, March 4; shop on Thursday, March 5. The Closet is open to all from 10am-1pm.

Good Samaritan Service — Sunday, March 8 at 2pm.

Community Café — Tuesday, March 24 at 5pm.

1. Before Christ — _____.
Ephesians 2.11-12 (NLT)

2. Because of Christ — _____.

Now because of Christ – dying that death, shedding that blood – you who were once out of it altogether are in on everything.----
Christ brought us together through his death on the cross. The Cross got us to embrace, and that was the end of the hostility. Christ came and preached peace to you outsiders and peace to us insiders. He treated us as equals, and so made us equals. Through him we both share the same Spirit and have equal access to the Father.

Ephesians 2.13, 16–18 (Message)

In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. Many people will come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths.'

Isaiah 2.2-3 (NIV)

The whole earth will acknowledge the Lord and return to him. All the families of the nations will bow down before him.

Psalms 22.27 (NLT)

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5.1 (NIV)

That's plain enough, isn't it? You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. God is building a home. He's using us all – irrespective of how we got here – in what he is building. He used the apostles and prophets for the foundation. Now he's using you, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together. We see it taking shape day after day – a holy temple built by God, all of us built into it, a temple in which God is quite at home.

Ephesians 2.19-22 (Message)

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Therefore, this is what the Sovereign Lord says: 'Look! I am placing a foundation stone in Jerusalem, a firm and tested stone. It is a precious cornerstone that is safe to build one. Whoever believes need never be shaken.'

Isaiah 28.16 (NLT)

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