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(Did you know you can find each week's service on our website?)

Next Food Pantry is September 17 10:00 am to Noon
We can use pasta sauce, cereal, and peanut butter

Important dates to get on your calendar-->

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| September 15 | Faith Formation Team |
| September 17 | Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry (10-noon) |
| September 20 | Transition Meeting Sprakers and Fort Plain Consistories 10-Noon Transition Team Training 1-3pm |
| September 21 | Rev. Dominic Palacios will be with us to preach and tell us about the process of transition. Pastor Ryan will be liturgist. Please plan to attend worship and learn about this important process. |
| September 22 | Consistory (6pm at Bev Dingman's home) |
| September 28 | 4th Sunday Family (fellowship beings at 10:15 followed by worship) |
| October 2-3 | Rummage Sale! |
| October 5 | Communion |
| November 2 | 275th Anniversary Celebration and congregational meeting/potluck |



September 14, 2025

GATHERING MUSIC

*...as we enter worship, may our hearts and minds be focused on God, creator,
savior, sustainer.*

VOTUM

PRELUDE Sheep May Safely Graze

J. S. Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP-**

Rejoice with me, people of God.

God has gathered us in from the wilderness.

Rejoice with me, people of God.

God has swept away the darkness of the night.

Rejoice with me, people of God.

Today, there is joy in the presence of the angels.

***HYMN** (WC #108) "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)
Creator of the universe,
we imagine that we are in familiar territory,
that we know what to expect of this hour,
that we will leave much the way that we came.
Do not abandon us to our foolishness.
In judgment, illumine our darkness.
In mercy, bear us home—
until we recognize your presence wherever
evil is confronted,
truth is spoken,
and life is restored. *[silent confession]*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS
*Gloria Patri

SCRIPTURE Luke 15:1-10

RESPONSIVE PSALM 14
Fools say in their hearts, “There is no God.”
They are corrupt; they do abominable deeds;
there is no one who does good.
The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind
to see if there are any who are wise,
who seek after God.

They have all gone astray; they are all alike perverse;
there is no one who does good,
no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers
who eat up my people as they eat bread
and do not call upon the Lord?

There they shall be in great terror,
for God is with the company of the righteous.

You would confound the plans of the poor,
but the Lord is their refuge.
O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!
When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

Musical Meditation

SERMON

***HYMN** (WC #522) "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead us"

PROFESSION OF FAITH— *Apostles' Creed

SHARING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory WC #500 I Will Sing the Wondrous Story
(Congregation please join the choir on verse 4)

***Doxology/Prayer**

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

*BLESSING

*HYMN (WC #502) "Amazing Grace"

*POSTLUDE This is Amazing Grace Phil Wickham