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## July 6, 2025 — 10:30 am Worship Service WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We ask that *everyone* fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew. If you have a prayer request, please let us know by including it on the back of the card.

There are children's activity books on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

### Welcome & Announcements: Randy Sanders

Call to Worship: Psalm 8, Duane Rohn

Hymn #121 O Lord, How Majestic Is Your Name

Hymn #10 Majesty

Hymn #151 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (verses 1, 4)

Morning Prayer: Randy Sanders

Hymn #124 O Magnify the Lord

**Fellowship of the Lord's Supper:** Duane Rohn, Carl Orloff Christ's invitation to "do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19) is for all Christians.We invite you to "examine yourself" (1 Corinthians 11:28), and remember Christ's sacrifice. As the trays are passed, remove the emblems and partake of them when you are ready.

**Receiving of Tithes & Offerings** 

Mission of the Month: Crossroads Church Partners

**Junior Church** 

Message: July 4th and the Communion

**Invitation:** If you would like to become a Christian, we offer the invitation that is given in Acts 2:38, to "repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Then be willing to be taught how to live your life for the Lord. If you, as an immersed believer, would like to transfer your membership to this congregation; come forward during the following hymn:

Hymn #753 Jesus Is Coming Again (<u>Marvelous</u> Message We Bring) Hymn #129 Great and Mighty

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"Helping people to know Jesus and grow in Him."

#### **WELCOME!**

We express a warm welcome to those who have come to worship with us today, especially our first-time visitors. We encourage <u>everyone</u> to fill out a roll card in the pew in front of you and pass it to the center aisle.

We invite you to join us whenever we gather for times of worship and we invite you to have fellowship with us during all the activities of our congregation. We are glad you are here and encourage you to come again. Above all, may you seek to <u>know</u> Jesus and <u>grow</u> in Him.

#### WE ARE A NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH

#### BY WEARING A NEW TESTAMENT NAME

"The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch" (Acts 11:26). "If you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed" (I Peter 4:16). "Persuade me to be a Christian" (Acts 26:28).

### BY BELIEVING A NEW TESTAMENT CREED

"You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God...On this rock I will build my Church" (*Matt.16:16,18*). "For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ" (*I Cor. 3:11*).

#### BY OBEYING A NEW TESTAMENT BAPTISM

"Whoever believes and is baptized shall be saved" (Mark 16:16). "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life" (Rom.6:4). "and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you (I Peter 3:21).

#### BY OBSERVING A NEW TESTAMENT COMMUNION

"Do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19). "On the first day of the week we came together to break bread" (Acts 20:7). "A man ought to examine himself" (I Cor. 11:28).

#### BY PRACTICING A NEW TESTAMENT STEWARDSHIP

"It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income" (I Cor. 16:2).

### BY LIVING A NEW TESTAMENT LIFE

"They devoted themselves to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer" (Acts 2:42). "Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (II Peter 3:18). "Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Rev. 2:10).

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Class	Instructor	Room	Currently Studying
Preschool & Kindergarten	Bonnie Moerer	#204	Bible Stories
1st - 5th Grades	Joan Mott	#109	Bible Stories
Junior High & High School	Sherri Rohn	#103	Assorted Bible Lessons
Faith	Shirley Corbin	#210	The Book of Psalms
Genesis	Duane Rohn Randy Sanders	#212	The Book of Genesis
Joy	Deb Niemeyer	#106	Ray Vander Laan Series: That the World May Know
Seekers	Dan Corbin Dan Gajdosik	#209	Lesson from the Christian Standard
Young at Heart	Glen Niemeyer	#211	Lesson from The Lookout

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness"

II Timothy 3:16

# **Missions & Ministries**

### Mission of the Month: Crossroads Church Partners

Crossroads Church Partners serves Christ and His Church by developing leaders and providing resources that strengthen churches. The organization achieves this mission through ongoing partnerships with Hope International University for educational services, recruiting students to Rochester, MN, and actively engaging in church development activities.

### Missions



John and Ruth Navis with Christ for Sao Luis, most recent newsletter is on the bulletin table in the blue foyer. They continue the work the Lord has sent them to do while dealing with medical issues. Please pray for them as they do the Lord's work.

# Milk-Cheese-Bible Giveaway Ministry



Consider donating to this ministry, which has proved to be a blessing to many people. Your gift will help pay the cost of putting food and God's Word into the hands of members of our community. Please designate your gift as either Milk & Cheese Giveaway" or "Bibles." Thank you.

### **Generosity Ministry**



When we prayerfully look for opportunities to help people financially amazing things happen: God opens our eyes to see them. And in praying for opportunities, God sometimes sends them our way via a phone call. God is using the generosity ministry to touch people's lives—to bless, encourage, and lift them up. It's an amazing thing to watch God work.

### Your Opportunities for Involvement at PSCC Today

Sunday, July 6 9:00 am Fellowship 9:30 am Sunday School for All Ages 10:30 am Worship Service & Junior Church 12:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting

### This Week

Scripture of the Week: Colossians 3:13 "Forgive as the Lord Forgave you."

Wednesday, July 9 6:00 pm Choir Practice 7:00 pm Midweek Bible Study

## Next Week

Sunday, July 13

4:30 pm Christian Music Skate. Remember, PSCC kids get in free. See Sherri Rohn.

Monday, July 14

6:00 pm Meeting of the Board of Elders, Deacons, & Deaconesses

Wednesday, July 16

6:00 pm Choir Practice
6:00 pm Midweek Bible Study

Thursday, July 17

12:00 pm Over 50's Potluck Luncheon
1:00 pm Elders' Meeting
1:30 pm Ladies Missionary Society Meeting

Saturday, July 19

9:30 am Milk-Cheese-Bible Giveaway
9:30 am Little Lambs' Closet

#### Looking Ahead Wednesday, July 23 6:00 pm Choir Practice 7:00 pm Midweek Bible Study Thursday, July 24 6:30 pm Richland County Right to Life Meeting at PSCC

### Announcements

**Hearing Devices:** We have new hearing devices for those who are having trouble hearing the service. See Randy or one of the Elders - Dan Gajdosik, Steve Mott, or Duane Rohn.

## **Christian Harbor Youth Camp** 2025 Camp Dates

Work Weekend: June 6-8 Grade 10-12 Camp: June 15-21 Grade 6-7 Camp: June 22-28 Family Camp: July 2-6 Grade 8-9 Camp: July 13-19 Grade 4-5 Camp: July 20-25

Grade 2-3 Camp: July 27-30 Grade K-1 Camp: July 30 Ladies' Retreat: August 1-3 Guy challenge: August 8-9 Last Chance Camp August 29-September 1

# Alive in 25

How is my life "alive" since I've been Baptized (Colossians 2:12-13)? One way we are "alive" in our lives is that we put what is "alive" in our lives.

Hebrews 4:12, "The Word of God is LIVING and active." Read God's Word and you put what is living and active (alive) in your life, and watch it work "judging the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

# A Note From Our Minister

Envision: Envision us working together to accomplish great things:

- Tell your families, friends, and neighbors about what God has done for you and what it is like to be a Christian.
- Consider and pray about bringing two new people to church with you in this coming new year.
- Bring your Bible to Church every Sunday.

	Prayer Requests		
	Cliff & Sharon Ast	Virgil Denman	Wally Kramer
	Kristi Beck	Dan Gajdosik	Eunice Moore
	Jean Clarke	Dawn Gajdosik	Arlene Moser
	Dan Corbin	Pat Gethings	Joann Nicholson
Kay Van Ness, Shirley's sister		sister L	Lisa Adsit, Sue's step-sister

(Please notify the secretary when changes need to be made to the prayer list.)

# **Birthdays & Anniversaries**



Chad & Sherry Mueller, July 7 Randy Sanders, July 11

# Thank You to Those Who Serve on Sunday Mornings

<u>Today, July 6</u>	<u>Next Sunday, July 13</u>
Fellowship: Sherri Rohn	Fellowship: Sally Larson
Greeters: Clark & Janice Pettersen	Greeters: Judy Dutton & Emilie Sumwalt
Music: Sallie VanWoert & the Praise Team	Music: Deb Niemeyer & the Choir
Videographer: Cindy Orloff	Videographer: Cindy Orloff
Call to Worship, Lord's Table, & Offering: Duane Rohn and Carl Orloff	Call to Worship, Lord's Table, & Offering: Steve Mott and Carl Orloff
Junior Church: Joan Mott & Janice Pettersen	Junior Church: Joan Mott & Sherri Rohn

Sermon Notes July 6, 2021

# July 4th and the Communion

Last Friday, we celebrated our nation's independence. Our freedom! And we gather with family and friends and celebrate with fireworks.

And we celebrate July 4th because we are among the few in this world that are blessed with such FREEDOM from an unruly and oppressive government. And we joyfully celebrate that each 4th of July.

Today, a look at the FREEDOM we have in Jesus Christ. A FREEDOM we also celebrate.

This FREEDOM is: we are set FREE by Jesus to FORGIVE. To not let unforgiveness take over our lives, for revenge to not rule our minds, for retaliation to not rule our hearts.

Acts 5:20 tells us that Christianity is "a new life." Life = all aspects of our life.

But our society GLORIFIES unforgiveness, revenge, retaliation, hatred, and bitterness.

And Hollywood movie after movie glorifies what we have been set free from by the Lord. Set free from unforgiveness and revenge.

But in Christ Jesus our Lord, we are set free from unforgiveness, freeing us to forgive. And not to be taken over and consumed by unforgiveness, hatred, and revenge.

In Christ Jesus, we are set free from all that. How can we forgive? It is possible because every Sunday during the worship of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we are vividly reminded of the forgiveness we received from the Lord.

We are vividly reminded of what it took to bring us FORGIVENESS the death, burial, and resurrection of God's Son.

And that vivid reminder is THE COMMUNION! In the Communion we remember the tortured body and shed blood of Jesus, which brings us face to face with the Lord and His sacrifice to give us forgiveness.

And because of that weekly communing with Christ Jesus and His sacrifice for us, we can forgive others. Christ

Jesus forgiving us sets us free from unforgiveness, hatred, and revenge, and what those do to us.

I) For the Communion reminds us about forgiveness. Matthew 26, 27, 28; Mark 14, 15, 16; Luke 22, 23, 24; and John 18, 19, 20, 21. Read these this week.

Every Sunday, we are reminded of what happened to God's Son to bring us forgiveness. And every Sunday, we are reminded that OUR SINS put us right there, a participant in the arrest of Jesus, the condemning Him, the scourging Him, the mocking Him, the nailing Him to the cross, and the standing at the foot of the cross shouting insults at Jesus.

The Communion brings us face to face with the crucified Son of God reminding us what it took to bring us forgiveness. And so, how can we not forgive others?

Matthew 26:20-30 *(read)* Realize that Judas is right there (possibly seated next to Jesus) when Jesus gives the Communion. Judas will betray Jesus with a greeting and a kiss the very next day.

And so is Peter (possibly seated on the other side next to Jesus). And the next day Peter will deny knowing Jesus three times.

And all the other disciples turn tail and run when Jesus is arrested the next day.

All but John will go into hiding. John will bring Mary to the cross. Where are the others?

POINT - During the Communion, Jesus gives thanks to God as He breaks the bread (v.26) and offers the cup (v.27), and then in verse 27, Jesus says, "Drink it all of you."

You = Judas. You = Peter. You = All the disciples.

And today - You, and you, and you = all of us are to be in remembrance of Jesus Christ's sacrifice that brings us forgiveness of our sins.

And that remembering so vividly in the Communion gives us the ability to forgive others. It sets us FREE to forgive others in our families, marriages, friends, at work, with neighbors, with anyone.

The role that the Communion plays in the worship service and in our lives is tremendously important. More so than we may ever know.

Hebrews 10:29-31 *(read)* In verse 29, "To insult the Spirit of Grace" Grace = undeserved forgiveness

Since we have been given undeserved forgiveness, if we who have been forgiven DON'T FORGIVE others, we insult the Spirit of Grace (the Spirit of forgiveness) (v.29) and we "trample the Son of God under foot."

If we do not forgive, it is as if we take the Communion bread and throw it on the floor and stomp all over it.

But PRAISE God, we don't do that BECAUSE we are vividly reminded of our Lord's sacrifice to bring us forgiveness.

And right here in front of us all is the Communion table with the words carved in it, "Do this in Remembrance of me" of Jesus and His forgiving us, which sets us FREE to be able to FORGIVE others.

### New Normal — Brain Food By Duane Rohn - July 6, 2025

Welcome to July. It snuck up on me and that tells me something. I'm getting old. I'm sure it's not news to you that I make that claim but it isn't easy to sneak up on me. At least it didn't used to be easy to sneak up on me. I can't say old age really sneaks up on a feller, but it's more like a surprise when you suddenly realize that you're a lot older than you thought.

Last week I wrote about getting my old lawn tractor going and rebuilding the carburetor, and how easy it is to do that. It turns out I was wrong and I wrote that article a bit prematurely. I did, in fact, get that carburetor rebuilt, and I did get the tractor running again, mostly, as I now need to make one new gasket, but it was not as easy as I thought. The new gasket should be easy, but I'm not going to make that claim until the one I make works. I'm sure I can buy one, but where's the fun in that? It seems you can teach an old dog new tricks since I now know that absolutely nothing goes quite as quickly or easily as it once did. I discovered that it is most difficult to hang onto a screwdriver with any force and turn it. Attempting that made that screwdriver fly through the air like a missile! I had to push down on the end of the handle and use channel lock pliers to turn the screwdriver. How humiliating! Both hands are buggered up from what the doctor calls overuse and cracking a walnut just by squeezing my hand will never happen again. Just holding my propping stick I sometimes have to use as a third leg can be dangerous as sometimes my hand rejects that stick just to be ornery. I also discovered that hamburger ends up outside the pan on the stove top and coffee ends up on the floor, making more work cleaning up both messes, but really driving home the fact that things just aren't what they used to be.

It's been two months since my left hand was "fixed" and I was told it should heal quickly. I guess that's a relative term because being from the microwave era, I don't think of quickly as being right now, but I don't think two months and counting is what I would call quickly. My right hand gets looked at in a couple weeks and I do hope this doctor gives me a better timeline if he can fix it.

It's not that I can't use them, it's that I have to figure out just how I can use them and it doesn't seem fair that I have to think so much at just that time in life when my old brain says, "Nope, not going to happen."

I could probably survive not rebuilding another carburetor since I can afford to pay someone else to do it for me, and little things like cleaning gutters two stories up using a ladder that just clears the gutter while playing Russian roulette with a two story ladder and a leg that likes to play possum whenever it's most inconvenient can easily be completed with a sixteen year old and a wad of cash, the cash being realistic and finding a sixteen year old willing to work seems to be a dream of mine. No, my biggest issue has to do with more important things than holding tools or falling off a ladder. I'm more concerned, quite frankly, about my ability to not only see the fish line, but also the lack of finger dexterity needed to tie a decent knot at the end of my fishing line.

Somehow it doesn't seem quite fair that once you have time to do the things you enjoyed doing as a youngster, you suddenly discover you can't quite manage to do them so easily, and certainly not so quickly. I now also keep a pair of extra strong reading glasses in my truck so I can at least see to tie those confounded knots.

By now my whining has you convinced that I'm going through my second childhood whiny baby stage, but that isn't true. Nowhere in the above article did you see me say I quit. It is true that change isn't easy, and sometimes we do whine a bit, but God never said I was going to have it easy when I retired. He never said I would have full use of any of my faculties for that matter. I think God let me get old just to prove me wrong about yet one more thing. Maybe instead of focusing on what doesn't work for us anymore, we should focus more on what God wants to do with us. It might just be that God is trying to get my attention and I better start paying attention to that instead of my "problems". Food for thought.