



**Spirit for All**  
**Pentecost Sunday**  
May 24, 2015

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

✠ Invites worshippers to stand in spirit or body as they are able.

**NCH** - Indicates the New Century Hymnal  
**SP&P** - Indicates the Sing! Prayer and Praise songbook

**Welcome and Greetings**

One: There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place! And I know  
that it's the spirit of our God.

**All: No matter who you are, or where you are on life's  
journey, you are welcome here!**

**Organ Prelude**                      *Grand Jeu*                      J. Guilain

**Call to Worship**

One: God, when you provide food for us,

**All: we gather it up.**

One: When you hide your face from us,

**All: we are terrified.**

One: When you take away our last breath,

**All: we die and return to dust.**

One: When you send your Spirit,

**All: we are created new and all the earth is renewed.**

One: We will sing praise to you as long as we live.

**All: Come Holy Spirit. Breathe on us. Breathe on us  
with life-giving energy. Amen!**

**Introit**                      *Gathered Here*                      **NCH 742**  
Please join the family choir

**Invocation**

**All: Great Spirit over all, we come here from the four  
directions to celebrate the amazing gift of your  
presence. May we experience this day as our first  
church elders did at their Pentecost. Come, blessed  
God! Breathe on us with life-giving energy. Amen.**

✠ **Procession:**              *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*              **NCH 286**

✠ **Passing the Peace**

**A Time of Recognition of Graduates**

**Song:**

*Wherever You Go*

**SP&P 213**

**The Response: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b**

One: O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**All: Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.**

One: There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

**All: These all look to you to give them their food in due season;**

One: when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

**All: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

One: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

**All: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.**

One: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

**All: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!**

**The Lesson: Acts 2:1-21**

**Pew Bible, NT, p. 112**

**A Time of Sharing with our Children** *Rev. Susan Huffman*

**Anthem** *Twelve Disciples in the Temple* Keithahn/Horman

Please join the choir to sing the 4th verse as printed on the next page

# Twelve Disciples in the Temple

**Choir:** Twelve disciples in the temple waited for a sign,  
hoping God would send, as promised, word it was their time.  
Suddenly, like wind, the Spirit rushed into that place,  
touching them with tongues of fire, crowning them with grace.

Spirit-filled, they started speaking in their native tongue,  
telling of the deeds of Jesus, wonders God had done.  
All who listened were amazed that they could comprehend  
words once foreign to their ears, now as from a friend.

“God is calling you, your children,” they heard Peter say.  
“Come, repent, and be forgiven, in Christ’s name today.”  
Many were baptized and welcomed by the Spirit’s plan.  
New friends prayed, broke bread and shared, and the church began.

## Choirs and Congregation:



Send your Spir - it once a - gain, God, in this Ba - bel time.



Gift us with new un - der - stand - ing of love's grand de - sign.



Make us one in faith and mis - sion, one in seek - ing peace



and a just so - ci - e - ty, that all wars may cease. \_\_\_\_\_

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From *Twelve Disciples in the Temple* (CGA1027).

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**Meditation: Spirit for All**

*Rev. Ted Huffman*

**Song:** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* **NCH 282**

**Prayers of the People**

**Church Concerns:**

**Quiet Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Prayer of Our Savior** (We use "debts" and "debtors.")

**Response** *On Eagle's Wings* Joncas

**Offerings:**

**Invitation**

**Offertory** *Aria* C. Van Hulse

† **Doxology** **NCH 780**

† **Prayer of Dedication**

† **Recessional:** *Joys Are Flowing Like a River* **NCH 284**

† **Benediction**

† **Response** *God Be With You* **NCH 809**  
Please join the family choir

**Postlude** *Choral Song* S. Wesley

Worshippers are invited to be seated for the postlude.

† Invites worshippers to stand in spirit or body as they are able.

**This morning's worship musicians include:**

**The Adult Choir**

**The Family Choir**

**Becky Umenthum**, director

**Michael Ross**, organ & piano

**Arjun Ayyangar**, piano

**Michael Bossen, Robin Franson, Becky Fleming,**

**Mary Keithahn, Arjun Ayyangar**

**and Aparna Ayyangar**, handbells

**Alicia Sutliff-Benusis**, flute

**Denise Webster, Kenny Umenthum**

**and Connie Hong**, percussion



*We offer up the names of these loved ones who have died since Memorial Day last year. These names, however, are but a few of the many beloved family members and friends whose deaths have occurred during that time. We hold the precious memories of their lives in our hearts and we hold the grieving ones in our prayers, believing in God's gift of eternal life and in the power of God's love to soothe our grief.*

**Mary Lynn Burgad**

**Ward Cheney**

**Jim Cooper**

**Ed Dull**

**Traci Ficken**

**Stan Halla**

**Karen Nelson**

**Edith Pace**

**Harry Putnam**

**Marge Raabe**

**Nola Reber**

**Bryce Smith**

**Kaiden Smith**

**Orville Zimmerman**

# This Week's Events

## Sunday, May 24

9:30am: Worship; Strengthen  
the Church Offering;  
Graduate Recognition  
10:30am: Fellowship  
2:00pm: Eunice Johnson  
Birthday Reception  
3:30pm: The Well Service

## Monday, May 25 Memorial Day

## Tuesday, May 26

1:00pm: Craft Day  
1:15pm: Spiritual Practices

## Thursday, May 28

Deadline for June/July Call Articles

9:00am: Mission Meal Prep.

1:30pm: Memoir Writing Group

## Friday, May 29

11:00am: Jim Cooper Service

1:00pm: BH Watercolor Group

1:00pm: Stained Glass Project

5:00pm: Cornerstone Meal

## Saturday, May 23

9:00am: Woodchuck Splitting

## Sunday, May 31

9:30am: Worship

10:30am: Fellowship

11:30am: Messabout at  
Sheridan Lake

3:30pm: The Well Service



## BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE

The family of **Eunice Johnson** and the Good Morning Circle invite everyone to an open house reception for her **85th birthday!** Plan to come celebrate with Eunice from **2:00-4:00pm today** in the Fellowship Hall.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

All children ages 3-grade 5 (completed) are invited to come to **VBS June 15-19** and hear stories Jesus told.

Parents are invited to eat with their children each day at **5:30pm** before the evening's activities which will run from **6:00-8:00pm**.

To register, pick up a form on the table in the Narthex, call the church at 342-5787, or email [susanucc@rushmore.com](mailto:susanucc@rushmore.com).



# News and Events

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the Communion Table are given by **Sheila and Brent Long**, in memory of **name**.  
"Passage" Scripture

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Please hold the following in your prayers as they battle cancer: **Jill Kundtz's** sister-in-law, **Mindy; Carol Boyles'** brother, **Terry Hammon; Sheila Long's** mother, **Debbie Torrey;** and **Laura Boyd's** brother, **John Winder**. Our prayers are with the following members, families and friends: **Marvin Bitterman; Bill Dittmer; Mavis Iverson; Ida Muree St. Pierre; Robin Franson's** sister, **Jo Mayber; Jane Seaton's** daughter, **Gail Johnson; Gwyn Wathen's** mother, **Cheryl;** and **Reverend Don Stoebner**.

## BIRTHDAYS

**May 24:** Gordon Magnusson  
**May 25:** Jane Anderson  
Macey Wathen  
**May 26:** Al Dymock  
**May 28:** Melanie Garstenslager  
Adam Grigg  
**May 30:** Siri Palm

## CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Updated church directories are available on the table in the Narthex and in the church office.

## CRAFT GROUP PET BEDS

The Craft Group has been making pet beds. They are made from brand new, clean scraps left over

from our quilting projects and are located in Fellowship Hall. We would like you to take a bed if you need one. If you wish to make a donation for the bed, the money will go to the church roofing project. If you want a bed and they are all gone, please let us know and we will make more. Thank you.

## GREETING CARDS

The Craft Group has recently added many new handmade greeting cards to the boxes in the Fellowship Hall. The cards sell for \$2.00 each and proceeds go to church outreach programs. The Craft Group meets every **Tuesday** from **1:00 to 3:00pm**. For more information, contact **Carol Boyles or Sue Maynard**.

## DUET RECITAL

**Aparna and Arjun Ayyangar** will be performing a duet recital **today at 2:00pm** at the Black Hills Piano Gallery. Some of their duets will be for two pianos and some will include Aparna playing her Indian violin. Come enjoy the performances provided by these two talented young musicians!

## 4TH TUES. LADIES LUNCH

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, the 4th Tuesday Ladies Lunch group will **not** meet in **May**. Also, the group will not meet during the summer. Their next gathering will be on the fourth Tuesday in **September**. Thank you!



### **CORNERSTONE MEAL**

The Dept. of Ministries will provide an evening meal at the Cornerstone Rescue Mission on **Fri., May 29 at 5:00pm**. Four people are needed to help prepare the food on **Thurs., May 28 at 9:00am**. Two bakers are needed to provide two dozen cookies each. Two people are needed to help serve the meal. If you can help, call **Pat Wheaton at 721-3647**.

### **MEMOIR WRITING GROUP**

The Memoir Writing Group will meet **Thurs., May 28 at 1:30pm** in the church library. Everyone is invited to come share a written story from your life, or just come to listen and have a cup of tea.

### **MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

Three music scholarships are now available. Further details and application forms can be found online at [www.rcfirstucc.com](http://www.rcfirstucc.com) or at the church office. Applications must be received in the church office by **May 31, 2015**.

### **SANCTUARY CLEANING**

The Sanctuary cleaning day has been rescheduled to **Tuesday, June 2 at 9:00am**. Hope to see you there!

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

Thank you to the anonymous donor who gave us the first four books from The Guidepost Series, "Secrets of the Blue Library." The titles are: Nowhere to be Found, Theft and Thanksgiving, Shadows

of the Past, and Unlocking the Truth. Check them out.

### **CORNERSTONE MISSION**

The Cornerstone Rescue Mission recently announced a critical shortage of coffee there. The message read, "Many of our guests substitute coffee for previous addictions, and coffee is a much better choice." The Dept. of Ministries invites you to donate coffee, sugar or creamer. Please place these items in the grocery cart located in the Narthex, and they will be delivered to Cornerstone.

### **PLACERVILLE CAMPS**

Summer will be here before we know it, so it's time to register for summer camp! Remember, First Congregational Church pays half of camp fees. Information is posted on the church bulletin board. Find further details and register at [placervillecamp.net](http://placervillecamp.net).

### **CASA PROGRAM**

The Seventh Circuit CASA Program is taking applications for new volunteer training beginning in Rapid City on **July 11, 2015**. Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Volunteers give children a "voice in court" by speaking up for their best interests and help to find them safe, loving and permanent homes. Information, is posted on the church bulletin board or contact Anne at (605) 394-2203 or [annedunne@casaoafapidcity.org](mailto:annedunne@casaoafapidcity.org).

## GRADUATE RECOGNITION



*Today we celebrate with our 2015 high school graduates, and their families:*

**Adam Grigg** is graduating today from Central High School. Family members in our church include parents Willy Grigg and Jenny Kozel, sisters Lucia and Gianna, uncle Brian Grigg and cousins Kathleen and Sarah Grigg.

**Anna Hughes** graduates from Stevens High School today. Family members in the church include mom Laura Hughes and sisters Natalie and Maya.

**Adam Koehn** is also graduating from Stevens High School. Family members in our church include his parents, Mark Koehn and Alicia Garcia, and his siblings Jack, Elena and Diana.

**Hadlee Kronmiller**, daughter of Dona Leavens, is graduating from Central High School today.

**Kevin Long**, son of Brent and Sheila Long, graduated last weekend from Rapid City Christian High School.

**Johnathan Nickel** is graduating from Central High School. His family members in the church include parents John and Mindy Nickel, brother Jakob, sister Emilee, grandparents Sue and Clair Maynard, as well as other members of the extended family.

*We surround these graduates with our love and prayers as they take the next steps, praying for God's guidance and strength.*

# Messing About

In “Wind in the Willows,” Mole and Rat are rowing on the canal when Rat declares, “Believe me, my young friend, there is nothing—absolutely nothing—half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats. Simply messing . . . About in boats—or with boats. In or out of ‘em, it doesn’t matter.”

Since I believe that the church is all about the things in life that are worth doing, I propose an opportunity for messing about in boats—or with boats, in or out of ‘em. After church on Sunday, May 31, I’ll take my trailer with three or four canoes, an equal number of kayaks and a rowboat, as well, to the north boat ramp at Sheridan Lake. I’m inviting everyone who is interested to bring a picnic lunch and join us for a “May Messabout.”

Building boats is a hobby of mine, but not often seen by members of the church. Take a look at what I do when I’m not at the office. Join me for some simple, plain fun. You’ll get to see a different side of me.

—*Pastor Ted*



## Thanks to:

### Our Church Family and Friends

**Cam Miller**, guestbook and nametags

**Mary Mead and Terry Whiting**, greeters

### Usher Team 4

**Brendan Lyons and Johnathan Nickel**, acolytes

**Bob Moore**, liturgist

### The Adult Choir

**Cam and Harold Miller and Jim Webster**, coffee hosts

**Becky and Randy Fisher**, dishwashers

## Church Staff

### Rev. Dr. Ted E. Huffman

Pastor and Teacher

### Rev. Susan R. Huffman

Pastor and Teacher

### Rev. Kathleen Batchelder

Pastor and Teacher

### Denise Webster

Treasurer

### Julie Burton & Laura Switzer

Administrative Colleagues

### Michael Bossen

Bell Choir Director

### Michael Ross

Organist

### Becky Umenthum

Interim Adult Choir Director

### Gerry Boehrs

Moderator

### Rev. Dr. Henry Bradshaw

Pastor Emeritus

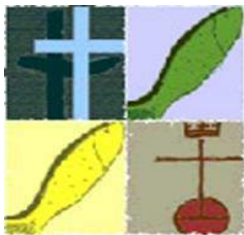
### Lynnell Parrott

Organist Emerita

### Jack Humke,

### Doris Marie Strom

Choir Directors Emeriti



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