

If your parents worshipped with you regularly while you were growing up, you have an 80 percent chance of worshipping regularly as an adult. Regular family worship is a priority that cannot be compromised.
— The NEWSLETTER newsletter



We Gather to Praise God

**indicates those who are able may stand*



INTROIT

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

CALL TO WORSHIP (video)

The Gift of Worship

* PRAISE SET

*I Will Call Upon the Lord
Will the Circle Be Unbroken / Do Lord*



SKIT

WELCOME AND SHARING NEWS



* GREETING ONE ANOTHER *please stand and greet those around you!*

* RESPONSE (see insert) *sung by everyone*

Bryan Jeffery Leech

**We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,
And strong in Him we stand:
O let us live transparently
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.**



PRAYER OF INVOCATION *seated by the pastor*

Glen E. Rainsley

PRAYER OF JESUS (using "sins")



We Listen for God's Word



TESTIMONIAL

Abby Morrison

ANTHEM

Agnus Dei

THE PCC BOWL

Eric Pearson

ORGAN INTERLUDE

At this time children adjourn to PowerXpress Classes

COMMUNITY TIME "What's the News? The News Is..."

SERVICE OF PRAYER

SHARING PRAYER JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER — PASTORAL PRAYER — RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Proverbs 3:9-10

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James 1:16-18

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PROCLAMATION

In You, The Lord is My Shepherd

SERMON

"Why I am Accepting the Challenge!"

We Respond to God's Word

THE OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Mighty to Save

* DOXOLOGY *sung by everyone* (Tune #719) Fred Pratt Green, *adapt*

**Come, sing a song of harvest,
Of thanks for daily food!
To offer God the firstfruits
Reveals our gratitude.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION *by the pastor*

* PRAISE SET *Holiness, Days of Elijah, This Little Light of Mine*

* BENEDICTION *by the pastor*

POSTLUDE

Softly and Tenderly

We Depart to Serve God

*Please join us in the Parish Hall for fellowship and refreshments
hosted by the Choir*

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We graciously welcome *Electric Praise* from Wesley United Methodist Church in Concord to share their musical gifts with us this morning!

Ed Brand – Bass, Keyboard

Jason Buck – Percussion

Richard Lessard – Vocals

Alan Schulte – Guitar, Vocals

Nicole Trent – Vocals

Pat Trent – Vocals

Kathy Hey - Vocals

Richard Tackett – Guitar, Vocals

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Where Neighbors Meet



ELECTRIC PRAISE

SEPTEMBER 19, 2010

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We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. Visitors are encouraged to sign the guest book outside the center-aisle entrance at the back of the Sanctuary. Nursery care is provided for infants and young children, and there are rocking chairs at the rear of the Sanctuary for those with a child who needs comforting. Please see an usher if you need assistance. Older children are excused for classroom work as indicated. Thank you to those assisting in our worship this morning. Jodi Ehler read the scripture. Eric & Judy Pearson, Lynn Matava and Harold Matava served as ushers.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, Sept. 19	9am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship 10:20am Sunday School
Monday, Sept. 20	6pm Work Camp Dinner Meeting – PH
Tuesday, Sept. 21	7pm Trustees
Wednesday, Sept. 22	7pm BSA
Thursday, Sept. 23	5:30-6:45pm Confirmation Class 6pm “AA” Group – MR 6:30pm Deacons 7pm Praise Band Rehearsal
Saturday, Sept. 25	CROP Walk - Sign in 12noon, Walk, 1pm
Sunday, Sept. 26	9am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship 10:20am Sunday School
Monday, Sept. 27	6pm Cub Scouts Registration – CR
Tuesday, Sept. 28	7pm Pastoral Relations Committee Set Up for <i>Worship One</i> - PH
Wednesday, Sept. 29	<i>Worship One</i> – Parish Hall (all day/eve)
Thursday, Sept. 30	5:30pm Confirmation Class 6pm “AA” Group – MR 7pm Praise Band Rehearsal
Friday, Oct. 1	No Cubs Set up for Grange Event –PH (eve.)
Saturday, Oct. 2	Grange Event – PH (all day)

OLAN MILLS PORTRAITS – There are still times open to sign up for your families' portrait sitting. They will be here again on Oct. 22 from 12noon-9pm and Oct 23 from 9am-6pm only. Sign up at the table in the Parish Hall today!

SCHEDULE OF USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER ...

26 Don & Laurie Hill, Helen Chapman and Rick Hochsprung

If you are unable to usher on your given day, please contact Dean Hopps at 485-5509.

FROM THE FLOWER COMMITTEE ...

As always, donations of flowers are welcomed for our altar each Sunday morning. To contribute all you have to do is sign up on the Flower Sheet in the Parish Hall or let the flower committee member know. Please contact) Doris Rowden, 485-3664 (**September**), Lynn Matava 485-8352 (**October**) and Robbe MacKenzie 485-7295 (**November**).

THE FLOWERS TODAY are provided by Rick Hochsprung and are from his garden.

BROWN BAG SUNDAY is today. Food Pantry items currently needed are: Apple juice, Corn Beef Hash, Beef Stew, Ramen Noodles, SpaghettiOs, and Baked Beans. Additional items such as paper products and personal items can be used as well. All items can be left in the parish hall. **Thank you for caring!**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Prayers for the family of Reggie Chown (Connor & Colby's Dad) – who passed away

Betty Jacobs – in Pleasant View

Raymond Sr. - bone cancer - Jessica Hamel's father-in-law

Karen Thibault – (Jessica Hamel's mother) – recovering from Gastric bypass surgery

Dave Bibbins –recovering from surgery

Steve and Carol Borghese - family and medical concerns

Stacy Driscoll's dear friend Joanne Kerstetter and her 16-year old granddaughter were severely injured in a bomb blast in South Africa on July 11th while on a mission trip. Please keep them and the other six who were also injured in your prayers.

Rev. Jim's cousin, Kevin Hogg – diagnosed with Parkinson's disease

Connie Saturley – undergoing treatment for lymphoma

Larry Dowling – in Presidential Oaks

Ruth Chase – at Harris Hill Nursing Home

Sue Riley (friend of Elizabeth Hancarik's) – recovering from brain surgery

Zoe, a 6 ½ yr. old girl with a brain tumor

Laurie O'Neil (Jessica Hamel's co-worker's niece) - Stage 4 cancer

Robbe MacKenzie & family – multiple issues

Military personnel overseas & their families