



First United Methodist Church  
610 E 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Miller, SD 57362



Pastor Teresa Whetsel                      Collin Otteson, Organist  
8th Sunday after Pentecost                      July 18, 2021

*Thank you, Spirit, for guiding me here, nourishing my soul  
and strengthening me for service in your name. Amen.*

Welcome & Announcements:

Centering Song:                      When We Are Living #356

\*Call to Worship:

One: We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ—

**Many: members of God’s family,**

One: and brothers and sisters to one another.

**Many: There are no outsiders here among us,**

One: no one has any special standing or bragging rights.

**Many: For we have been brought together by the  
redeeming love of Jesus.**

***All: Let’s join together in worship!***

Opening Prayer:

Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Psalm Reading:                      Psalm 89:20-37 #807

Offering:

\*Doxology:

\*Offertory Prayer:

Holy God, you love us so deeply that you pursue us relentlessly. You sent your son Jesus into the world that we who were far off would be brought near to you by his blood. We offer our gifts to you, knowing we can never outgive you, never balance the equation. You don’t desire balance, no quid-pro-quo, only that we find the peace you desire for us, whose foundation is in your word and whose cornerstone is Christ alone. In that holy name, we pray. Amen.

Children’s Time

Hymn:                      Come Now, O Prince of Peace #2232

Scripture Reading:                      Ephesians 2:11-22

Message:                      He Is Our Peace

Baptism                      Walker Wagner

Baptismal Song:    I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry #2051

Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn: Together We Serve #2175

\*Benediction

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**Prayer List:**

Ida Moser – LaVerta Palmer (Huron) / Virginia Burgher -  
Dorothy Fawcett - Violet Moncur - Don Steptoe (MGSC) /  
Eleanor Steptoe (Edgewood ALC Pierre) - Helen Dalton (TX)

**Others:** Steve Danburg –Rita & Aaron Ellsworth  
Steve Ellsworth - Arlette Heitzman - Del & Doris Jury  
Jim Keeter, Sr. – Gene & Ila Norton - Rick Norton  
Lloyd Schwartz – Doris Slunecka –Doug Testerman  
Del VanZee

**PLEASE** contact the church or the Pastor to add or remove names from prayer list or to request a call from Pastor Teresa.

**Jesus urged his disciples, “Come away ... and rest a while” He calls us also to leave our busyness for a time of Sabbath.**

**Welcome to worship and rest.**



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