

FIRST CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS

Your prayer requests are being prayed over by your pastors, staff and prayer teams. To submit your prayer requests call the church office at **605-336-3652**; go online at **sfumc.org/prayer-requests**; or email Pam at **knuthp@sfumc.org**. Prayer requests submitted without direct permission from the person you are requesting prayer for will remain confidential. Be sure to mark the online prayer request form appropriately.

HOSPICE

- Janet Semmler
(mother of April (Ryan) Lovrien)

DEATH

- Leo Spinar
- Clifford Rindels *(father of Vicki Wilbur)*
- Gary Wolbrink *(husband of Connie Wolbrink)*

JOYS & CONCERNS

- Roberta Callaghan

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Finding Rest *in a* Restless World

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Sermon Series 1/7 - 1/21

Worship @ First, January 14, 2024

Finding Rest in a Restless World

8:30 Traditional Service

Prelude Aidan Christensen

Opportunities and Greetings

Time of welcome and greeting - please complete the online or in-person Connect Card.

Call to Worship †

One: God calls to us. God prepares a place for us to rest.

ALL: Beside still waters, near warm fireplaces, and on comfy couches.

One: God creates for us all that is and creates a time set apart.

ALL: To rest—to rest from our work and rest from our trials.

One: Do you hear God calling to us? To stop, to cease, to find rest today?

ALL: We hear God calling. Help us, God, to rest in you. Amen.

Hymn of Praise † *O Worship the King*, No. 73

Invitation to Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession †

Gracious God, forgive us, for we often live unsustainable lives. We are hurried, chaotic, and rushed. We live life without stopping. And as we live this way, we miss your presence. We miss the people we love. We miss the life you have given. Give us the courage and strength to live differently. To find rest in you and to work so that others may have rest, too. Help us to pause and to notice. Help us to discover what can help us to reconnect with you, our neighbors, and ourselves so that we may be fully present in this life and share your good news. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer †

Gift of Music *Simple Gifts*, Les Cloches

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer†

Hymn of Faith † *Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine*, No. 606

Scripture † Matthew 12:1-13 (CEB)

Message "Re-Creation", Pastor Sara Nelson

Hymn of Commitment † *Fairest Lord Jesus*, No. 189

Sending Forth (Unison) †

As we go from here, we go into the world to live as disciples of Jesus Christ to be a sanctuary of Christian hope, love, and encouragement in the heart of Sioux Falls. Be encouraged. Amen.

Sending Song † *Trust and Obey (vs. 1)*, No. 467

Postlude Marcia Klimes

†Words on screen

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9:45 Unity Service

Centering *Simple Gifts*, Les Cloches

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Call to Worship †

Sanctuary Unity Band

L: Let us pray

Time of Music †

O Worship the King No. 73

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say Unity Band

Kids Connect

Tithes and Offerings

Offering

Make a Way Unity Band

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer †

Gift of Music *Come to Me and Rest*, Chancel Choir

Scripture † Matthew 12:1-13 (CEB)

Message "Re-Creation", Pastor Sara Nelson

Closing Song † *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever*, Unity Band

Sending Forth †

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Sending Song † *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever (reprise)*, Unity Band

Postlude Marcia Klimes