

We enter the sanctuary in quiet meditation as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

PRELUDE

GREETING

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***OPENING SONGS** “My Life Is in You, Lord” No. 2032
“Grace Alone” No. 2162

CHILDREN’S TIME

PSALM 78 No. 799

SPECIAL MUSIC

TIME OF PRAYER – Joys and Concerns

THE 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.

You are invited to come to the sand table during worship to light a candle or kneel in prayer as the Spirit leads you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** “Give Thanks” No. 2036

***HYMN** “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” No.2219

SCRIPTURE READING Jonah 3:10-4:1; Matthew 20: 1-16

MESSAGE “It’s Just Not Fair” Deborah Schmidt

***CLOSING HYMN** “Freely, Freely” No. 389

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE MUSIC**

*Please stand as the Spirit leads you, or sit if you are more comfortable. Hearing assistance devices are available – please ask an usher for one.

If you must leave the sanctuary during worship, please exit through the side doors as they are much quieter. Thank you!

Liturgist: Jack Dykstra **Fellowship:** Jean Loercher

Flowers provided today by Hannah Plumb and Flower Bartholomew in thanks for Pastor Debbie & the UMC Community.

THIS WEEK

TODAY: Sunday School after Children's Time

MONDAY: "Knit-Wits" knitting class 3-5 p.m.

THURSDAY: Bulletin announcement deadline 5:00 p.m.

Prayer Calendar for Sept. 18

Helena Covenant UMC seeks prayer for their "Green Team" development of Family Promise, and meeting needs for Sunday school and youth ministry.

This year's **CROP Walk** (a community event which raises money to end world hunger) will take place at 1 p.m. on **Sun., Oct. 9**. Jogging, dog walking, wagons and strollers are welcome. Walkers are encouraged to get sponsors for the purpose of raising funds. If you would like to sign up online, donate online, or get your FB and email friends to donate online, here's the LINK! ~ ALL you need to know to do it the easy way!!

www.cropwalkonline.org/whitefishmt

Join us for **Blessing of the Animals on October 2nd**, a spiritual celebration to honor our loyal companions who love us unconditionally.



Walk to Defeat ALS on September 24th in Missoula!

Bring your determination and your energy in support of the Walk to Defeat ALS®. More than just a few-mile trek, it's an opportunity to bring hope to ALS patients, to raise money for a cure, and to come together with your friends and family to fight for something you care about. Check in is at 9:00 on **Sat. 9/24** with the walk beginning at 10:00. The 2.5 mile walk will take place at McCormick Park. At web.alsa.org there is a link to the Missoula Walk where you can join **Team Schroeder** to walk or make a monetary donation. You can also contact Erik or Andrea personally for more information.



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Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors
The People of the United Methodist Church

The Whitefish United Methodist Church Welcomes You!

September 18, 2011 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Matthew 20: 1-16

The Labourers in the Vineyard

'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'