



# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



<b>Mon</b>	<b>Aug 19</b>	6:00 PM Gerry's Quilt Class-Criswell Hall.
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Aug 20</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 10:00 AM Sew n Sews-MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga -Criswell Hall, 1:30 PM Finance Team-Library.
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Aug 21</b>	9:00 AM Church Work Morning-CH, 10:00 AM UWF Steering Committee-L, Church Council-McMillen Room.
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Aug 22</b>	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-Criswell Hall.
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Aug 23</b>	11:00 AM Nominating Committee--Pastor's Study.
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Aug 25</b>	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Sanctuary. 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary. 4:00 PM Free Movie, Criswell Hall.

Abbreviation Legend

CH--Criswell Hall  
S--Sanctuary  
K--Kitchen  
L--Library---  
Room #123  
MMR--McMillen  
Room #113  
PS--Pastor's Study  
HR--Handbell  
Room #115



**Sunday, Aug 25** 4:00 PM in Criswell Hall FREE MOVIE "Unsung Hero" will be shown. It is based on a true story of a couple, after the collapse of their music business, move from Down Under along with their seven children. The movie shows the power of Family. Movie is free, as is popcorn & refreshments. Remember, free tickets are available to give to family & friends. Check the Connections Desk.



**Sunday, Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM**  
**140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**  
**Celebration**  
**in the Tabernacle**

Save the date and invite your friends and family to this fun and historic event!



**Wednesday, Sep 11** 9:30 AM Camp Arroyo Grande Discovery Hike and Tour. Meet at the church at 9:15 AM to carpool. The camp was originally founded & operated by the Methodist Church. It is also the location of our 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Sign up at Connections.



Altar Flowers

*Today's altar flowers are in honor of my mother,*

*Nancy Burns,*

*whose birthday is August 20<sup>th</sup>*



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August 18, 2024

10:30 AM

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

*"So, teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom."*

---Psalm 90:12

PRELUDE

INTROIT

*He Has Made Me Glad*

TFWS #2270

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Be filled with the Spirit.

**We are filled with the power of God's Holy Spirit.**

Be filled with the Spirit.

**We are filled with the glory of our God.**

Be filled with the Spirit.

**We are filled with the wisdom of Jesus, the Christ.**

\*OPENING HYMN

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

No.117

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

**Spirit of Living Bread,**

**Bless and nourish us in this time of worship.**

**Strengthen and guide us as we embrace your presence.**

**Focus our energies, that we may follow where you lead,**

**and live with gratitude and joy. In your loving name, we pray.**

**Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Carolyn Russell

# Today's Scripture

## A TIME OF PRAYER

Choral Call to Prayer	Cares Chorus	TFWS #2215
Prayer/Lord's Prayer	Cares Chorus	TFWS #2215
Choral Response	Cares Chorus	TFWS #2215

PSALTER #832	Psalm 111
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## SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE	Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58
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HYMN <i>(remain seated)</i>	Great is Thy Faithfulness	No. 140
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SERMON	MAKE TODAY COUNT	Rev. Mary Birgelaitis
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## OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission		
Offertory		
Doxology/Prayer of Dedication	Hymnal, No. 94	

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 Praise God, the Source of all our gifts!  
 Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!  
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*CLOSING HYMN	Now Thank We All Our God	No. 102
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## \*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE	Halle, Halle, Halleluja	TFWS #2026
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*Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halle, Halle, Halleluja!  
 Halle, Halle, Halleluja! Halleluja! Halleluja!*

## POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand as able.*

Music Director: Julia Burns    Piano: Dennis Eiler    Organ: Brad Bettencourt

## EPHESIANS 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## JOHN 6:51-58

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The

Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So, Jesus said to them, Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Today's Liturgist: Rose Ann Steiner

ATTENDANCE						GIVING
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN-PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
07/21	32	54	86	16	102	\$ 7,330
07/28	36	59	95	3	108	\$ 1,202
08/04	n/a					n/a
08/11	n/a					n/a
<p style="font-size: small; margin: 0;">Our Fiscal Year started July 1    Weekly Offering Needed \$6,175</p> <p style="margin: 0;">STEWARDSHIP REPORT: n/a</p>						

**HOSPITALITY TIME**  
 Hosted by  
**FINANCE**  
 Next Sunday  
 August 25  
**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**