

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 5, 2025

World Communion Sunday
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather in God's Name . . .

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(Take a moment to center yourself with this prayer)

Who are my neighbors? Is it the person on either side of me as I settle into worship? Yes, of course it is, but it is also every person across the world who goes to the altar today to take communion in remembrance of you, our Precious Lord – from Conrad to Caracas and Sidney to Moscow. Enlighten my heart to receive their prayers on this World Communion Sunday and open their minds to know that we all are brothers and sisters in your name. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather in this place and around the world.

All: **We speak in many tongues.**

One: We proclaim the same faith.

All: **We come in many colors, ages, sizes and shapes;
We have different cultures and lifestyles.**

One: Yet, in common, we have the love of Christ, the Peace of God, and the hope of God’s kingdom.

All: **Lord of All, we have come together in worship.
Lift our eyes to your mercy.
Lift our voices in praise of you.
Lift our hearts to your peace-filled promise.
In your Holy name, Lord Jesus! Amen!**

*OPENING HYMN “I Come with Joy” #507

*CALL TO CONFESSION

We think to ourselves, “If I were in charge of the world, I would end all this violence.” Truth be told, Gracious God, we can’t hush the violence that raises its mean-spirited voice in our own hearts. In this time of silence, teach us to quell our own anger, suspiciousness, and doubt that you really care about what we do or think. In this time of silence, hear our prayers of reconciliation and hope.

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS “Grace Greater Than Our Sin”
Lt. Blue Songbook #76

Singing: Grace, grace, God’s grace,
grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God’s grace,
grace that is greater than all our sin.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Since we have been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ, let us now be reconciled to one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

. . . to Proclaim God’s Word

FIRST READING Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 p. 871

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 1: 1-14 p. 211

ANTHEM “All Things New” Choir

GOSPEL READING Luke 17: 5-10 p. 80

One: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Practice the Faith You Have” Pastor Judy Sibley

HYMN OF RESPONSE “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord” #441

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

One: Lord in your mercy,

All: **hear our 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

. . . to Give Thanks to God . . .

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD

THE OFFERTORY

*OFFERING RESPONSE
“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” #592

Singing: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

May our offerings be an expression of unconditional love like your love for us, O God. We offer these gifts for the work of our church in Conrad and the mission of the church around the world. Bless our gifts for peacemaking, that through them we can be a part of your healing work in our world, in Christ’s name. Amen.

*COMMUNION HYMN “One Bread, One Body”
Lt. Blue Songbook #130

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE *(Responsive)*

One: Come to this table all you who hear Christ's call. Join with the family of faith, as we unite with believers in all lands and from all generations, dedicating ourselves to the Lord Jesus Christ and proclaiming through this sacrament our commitment to him.

All: **We come willingly and joyfully and celebrate our oneness in Christ. No power on earth can rule our**

One: hearts or diminish our joy. Our loyalty is to our Creator, our strength is with the prince of Peace.
One: From Nairobi and New York, from South Carolina and the South Pacific, from the Middle East and the Midwest, from Canada and California, from Asia and Argentina, from Moscow to Madrid - people of faith gather round the holy table this day to affirm the lordship of Jesus Christ.
All: Our tables may differ; our plates and cups may be silver or stone. The elements we use are varied in form. Yet all of us are joined together in communion with Jesus Christ.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise
One: ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:
All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
One: ... Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:
All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
One: ... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD
One: The gifts of God for the people of God.
All: Let us keep the feast.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

... and to Be Sent in God's Name.

*CLOSING HYMN: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #276

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION "Go with God"
Lt. Blue Songbook #138

Singing: Go with God. Go with God.
As you leave this place, go with God.
God will direct your way, God will light ev'ry day.
As you leave this place, go with God.

POSTLUDE

NOTES

First Presbyterian Church



123 Fourth Avenue SW
Conrad, Montana 59425
(406) 278 3043

conpres@3rivers.net
<https://www.conradfirstpres.org>

Pastor: Judy Powell Sibley
Pastor's Cell: (406)460-1789
Clerk of Session: Pat Keil
Church Secretary: Wendi Dayrider