



Four Gospels – One Mission: Mark

8:45 a.m. + June 14

“He drew a circle that shut me out -
Heretic, rebel, a thing to flout.
But love and I had the wit to win:
We drew a circle and took him in!”
— *Edwin Markham*

Crossing the Threshold

The Work of Faith

*Faith that moves mountains,
Grace that forgives.
Peace that calms stormy seas.
Love that brings healing,
Trust that endures.
Truth that can set us free.
Help us embody all that you are,
And live lives that reflect your grace.
To walk with the stranger, until we are friends,
And we all find our place, at home in the heart of God.*

*Make us faithful to forgive, when we're wounded by the world.
Peaceful bearers of your grace, help us love as you love.*

“The Heart of God”

Praying a Psalm

*O Bringer of Joy, Awaken my heart;
pour your love and blessings
through all my being!
Free me from attachments and desire,
that I may become a clear mirror,
reflecting your love to
the world.*

*Strength comes with pureness of heart.
Cleanse me anew, O Gentle Healer.
Let me hear your Voice within the Silence,
for in You I put my trust.
Teach me the ways of loving service,
that I might co-operate with You,
O my Beloved.*

Psalm 143, Nan Merrill

*Divine Light shines in those
whose lives reflect love.
As the river makes its way to the ocean,
may I surrender to the flow of new life!
Then will I trust that all is
working together toward the
wholeness of humanity.*

Song of Response

"Spring Up, O Well"

***I've got a River of Life flowing out of me,
Makes the lame to walk and the blind to see.
Opens prison doors, sets the captives free.
I've got a River of Life flowing out of me.***

***Spring up, O Well within my soul.
Spring up, O Well and make me whole.
Spring up, O Well and give to me,
That Life abundantly.***

Sitting with Scripture

Mark 16: 14-18

Later he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were sitting at the table, and he upbraided them for their lack of faith and stubbornness, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation. The one who believes and is baptized will be saved, but the one who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: by using my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."

Meditation

Marks of the Kingdom

"Pour Out Through Me"

***Pour out through me, Lord of Glory, Lord of Grace.
That all may see, Thy eternal, radiant face.***

*Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee
proclaiming the good news of God and saying,
"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near;
repent and believe in the good news."*

Mark 1:14-15

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That all may see, Thy eternal, radiant face***

*Whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,
and whoever wishes to be first among you must be servant of all.
For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve
and to give his life a ransom for many.*

Mark 10:45

***Pour out through me, Lord of Glory, Lord of Grace.
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One of the scribes came near and asked him,
"Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered,
"The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one;
you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your mind and with all your strength.'
The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these."

Mark 12:28-31

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Welcoming God-in-Us

Contemplative Prayer is a way to welcome the Divine Presence within you in an intentional way. During these minutes of silence, simply rest in God's indwelling and loving presence here with you now. Just be and relax. To get you there, center your attention in your heart and imagine your breath flowing in and out from your heart area. If it helps you to center, use the heart-focused breath prayer (*inhale*) "Live in me, O Christ"; (*exhale*) "Live through me, O Christ."

Holy Communion

Receiving a Good Word



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Today's Music

"The Heart of God" – Peter Johns, **"Spring Up, O Well"** – Mary A. Lathbury,

"Pour Out Through Me" – Darlene Franz.

Centering Prayer

Immediately following worship | The Chapel

Worship Response

10:00 a.m. | The Anchor House

Please note The Center will take a break from Worship Response during our Sabbath in the month of July. We encourage you all to find friends and share what the service meant to you at lunch or over coffee.

Poetry Circle

Tuesday, June 16 | The Anchor House | 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

For poetry lovers and writers, for the curious and experienced, join Mark Jodon as he leads this time of sharing, of offering feedback, of exploring poetic forms and devices, and trying our hands at writing prompts, all while growing in fellowship and community. For more information, contact Mark at MJodon@littler.com

Honoring the Summer Solstice on the Labyrinth with Collage Creativity

Sunday, June 21 | 7:00-8:30 pm | The Anchor House

We are looking forward to welcoming you and anyone you might want to bring with you for this event to honor and celebrate the Summer Solstice. This year we will be gathering on the hour (7 pm) to open the labyrinth with some readings to center ourselves. This gathering time is optional, and you are welcome to come and go during this time for walking the labyrinth and/or creating with SoulCollage® and other collage materials. Cindy Serio and Ginny Itz will be on hand to guide you! There is no fee associated with this event. Labyrinth & SoulCollage® evenings are offered as a gift to the community. If you have any questions, contact Cindy Serio at mosaicsfm@pm.me.



Serving Community Lunch at Fair Haven

Wednesday, June 24 | 10:30am - 1:15pm | Gessner Campus Fellowship Hall

The Gessner Community of Fair Haven hosts a free community lunch on the fourth Wednesday of each month. In June, our contemplative community will help with the meal. Please join us to extend hospitality to our neighbors. Volunteers are needed to prepare sandwiches, provide fruit and chips, serve the lunch, and share conversation with guests who attend. Please scan the QR code to learn more and sign up to help.



Becoming a Member through The Center

Sunday, June 28 | During Worship | The Chapel

Have you been worshipping with us for some time, but are not a member of Chapelwood? Are you interested in becoming a member of The Center, which is a ministry of Chapelwood? Are you curious about how to officially "join"? Our next opportunity to officially join is June 28. Schedule a time to talk with Michael (msciretti@chapelwood.org) if you are interested and would like more information.

Community Gathering & Potluck

Sunday, June 28 | Immediately following worship | The Anchor House

Join us for a community gathering and potluck in The Anchor House for a time of fellowship before we break for our time of sabbath during July. We will also share updates about ongoing projects and fall offerings. Bring your favorite summer sweet or savory dish to share. The Anchor House will be open before worship for folks to drop off their dishes.

Great Grow Out Workshop

Tuesday, June 30 | 1:00pm – 3:00pm | The Anchor House

Join us as we host another Great Grow Out Workshop! The Great Grow Out program is designed to empower volunteers to grow native plants in the comfort of their own homes. This is a great program for individuals, families, civic groups, corporate teams, student clubs, or scouts! Volunteer growers are given packets of locally collected prairie seeds and asked to grow these plants in pots. Plants are then returned to the Coastal Prairie Conservancy and staff nurture the plants until they are ready to be planted. Plants are then returned to the Coastal Prairie Conservancy and staff nurture the plants until they are ready to be planted. You can also keep the plants and plant in your own yard if you choose. Please use the qr code to register your attendance.



The Anchor House Summer Hours

Tuesdays & Wednesdays | Noon - 4pm

The Anchor House is open in the afternoons for you to come and pray, meditate, walk the Labyrinth or just be still. If you would like to request a specific room for spiritual direction, counseling or for your own time of retreat outside of these hours, please let Haley know and we will make sure a room is available for you.

Holding One Another in the Light

As our commitment to one another deepens, we want to be able to pray for one another – bearing burdens and joining in celebrations. Here is how to participate:

1. Make a request for prayer or thanksgiving using the QR link or go to thecenterfcs.org
2. Opt in to receive the weekly prayer list by emailing Rachel at msciretti@chapelwood.org.

