



Worship Guide for Sunday, May 10

Aldersgate United Methodist Church - Butte, MT

Our Morning Prayer

- from Chuck Kestle -

GRACIOUS and LOVING GOD...

Today is the day when we honor our Mothers – the Mothers who have gone, Mothers who still live to bless our lives and the many who have become Mothers to us.

We are grateful for their lives and their blessings of love.

We are grateful that our Mothers loved us before we were born. They passed through the valley of shadows to give us life.

We are grateful that Mothers have done and continue to do the countless healing, helpful and encouraging things that only they know how to do.

We are grateful for the special place you give Mothers in your creation and in your kingdom.

Lord you know that true love divine is not that of a stately angel with a form full of grace, but a tired and toil worn Mother with a grave yet tender face.

May such things always stir our hearts and inspire us to be worthy of a Mother's love.

Amen

Sharing the Peace of Christ

May we show one another the very heart of God just as Jesus has shown us. Let us share signs of genuine affection and Christian love, as we pass the peace of Christ. Peace be with you... and also with you! Amen.

Share a sign of peace this day...call a friend, write a card of greeting to another, bake something to share with one who may be hungry, light a candle of thanks!



Sharing Joys and Concerns

We come today with celebrations and burdens, all of which we life up to you, Oh God. We ask that you hold our intentions in your secure embrace and bless those in need of your healing power. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

Take a moment to speak the names of those you lift up today. Close your eyes and breathe in love and appreciation for their place in your heart. Make a list of all you are grateful for this day!

Our Scripture Reading

John 14:11-14 (The Inclusive New Testament)

Believe me that I am in God and God is in me,
or else believe because of the works I do.
The truth of the matter is,
anyone who has faith in me will do the works I do -
and greater works besides.
Why? Because I go to Abba God,
and whatever you ask in my name I will do,
so that God may be glorified in me.
Anything you ask in my name
I will do.



Bread of Life

(1 Peter 2)

Like newborn infants, our hungry spirits long to be fed.
And like a loving parent, O God, you nourish us with
your mercy and your grace.

Our *hearts* are in communion with one another and
with God. Always!

Grace and peace to you...
Pastor Sue



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Benediction

(Psalm 31, 1 Peter 2)

Once we weren't a people,
but now we are God's people.
God's face shines on us.
God's faithful love saves us.
This news is too good to keep to ourselves.
Everywhere we go, we will share the good news
of God's amazing grace.

Amen

