

EAGLE GROVE AND GOLDFIELD UMC  
WE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CENTERING PRAYER

PRELUDE AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

**\*CALLING OURSELVES TO WORSHIP**

We gather this day, coming together to worship God. We are God's children.

**Surely God is in this place! The works of God surround us...listen...look!**

The Spirit of God fills us with amazement. God sets us afire with wonder and awe.

**We will sing to God as long as we live; we will celebrate the gifts of God.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

*Spirit Song*

#347

**MORNING PRAYER**

God of grace and love and mercy, we give you thanks even as we acknowledge that we cannot control you (though we may try). We don't always see where you are guiding us (though we may try). Fill us with your Spirit that we might be the diverse and fruitful children of God that you call us to be. Amen.

**WE PROCLAIM**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY**

Romans 8:14-17

**REFLECTION**

*The family of God. Yes, that means you!*

Pastor Alaire

**WE RESPOND**

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

**HYMN OF RESPONSE**

*Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

#611

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**WE GIVE OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND OURSELVES**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

#95

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God of love and grace, may your Spirit guide us to be the church you had hoped we would be, one body, one people seeking to build your beloved community of justice, mercy, and hope. As we bring our tithes and offering to you this day, fill us with your power, as we live as your children. May our gifts strengthen your ministries here in our community, and around the globe. Amen.

## WE GO FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN	<i>In Christ There Is No East Or West</i>	#548
<b>WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD PRACTICE LOVE</b>		
*BENEDICTION		
*WE FOLLOW THE LIGHT	<i>Go Now In Peace</i>	#665
*POSTLUDE		

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVING

**Wednesday Afterschool** meets Sept 27, but will NOT meet Oct 4 when there is no school.

**Youth group** is also meeting Sept 27m and NOT Oct 4. Check the table in the back for donations wanted. **5<sup>th</sup> Quarter** will be October 6 and 13. Check the lists...a

For all of these gatherings for children and youth, if chaperoning or helping hands on is not your forte, baking or bringing something may be your way of serving. To be totally honest, your financial giving has a significant impact and is appreciated very much. As you support our day-in-day-out costs, it matters.

**Charge Conference** for both Eagle Grove and Goldfield will be Sunday, October 15, 2pm, at 1<sup>st</sup> UMC, Ft Dodge. One of the great things that happens as we meet as a circuit is the sharing of ideas. That always seems to get everyone thinking, "we can do that.." and new ways and methods become more real. We are a connectional church; Conferencing began with the Wesleys. Everyone is encouraged to attend; council members should.

Both congregations continue to weave sleeping mats. ASK when it's happening, and come and join. If you'd like to weave at a different time, speak up...that can happen.

Next Sunday, we will be celebrating World Communion Sunday.