

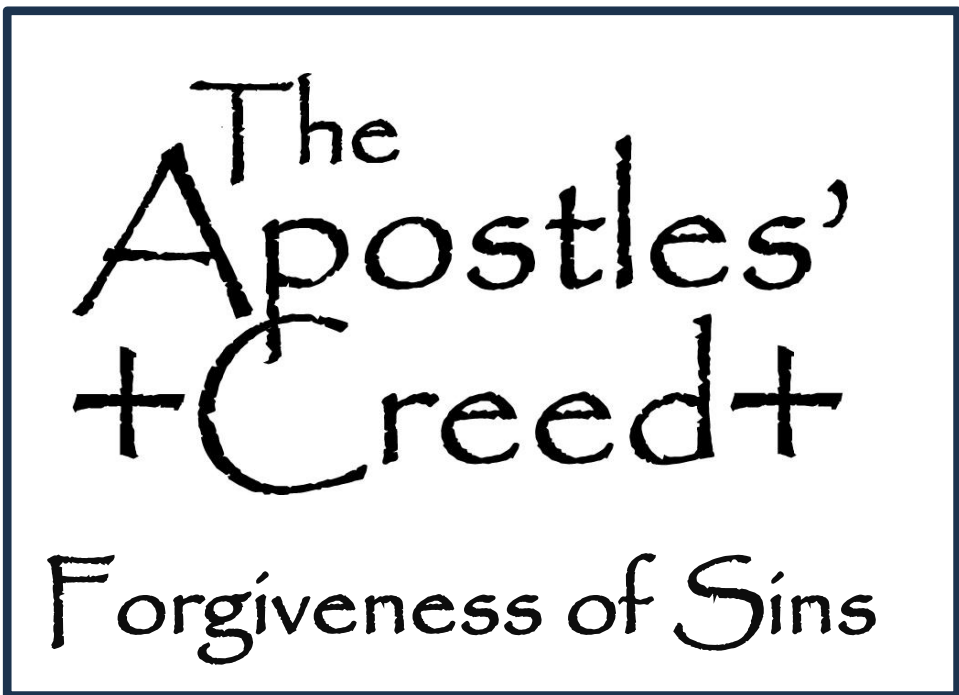
Announcements This Week

- ✓ **Welcome to our worship this day.** *"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."*
- ✓ **Our Liturgist today is Steve Kappes.**
- ✓ **Neighbors in Need Special Offering is today!**
We are continuing to receive this special offering for mental health needs in the Church and throughout the country.
- ✓ **Black Hills Association meeting** is today at the Spearfish UCC. Registration begins at 1:30 pm. Meeting begins at 2:00pm. (This is another change.) Dinner is available for donation of \$10.
- ✓ **A Special Congregational meeting** has been called for October 20th (next Sunday) immediately following worship to consider our proposed Bylaws.

Please pray:

- **For the Victims of Hurricane Milton:** O God, succor and surround all victims of this grave natural disaster with your comforting presence and love. Amen.
- **All those who are ill or homebound or in care facilities.**
- **For others in our lives, especially:** our Church Conference, Travelers, Military and First Responders.

First Congregational United Church of Christ



Sunday, October 13, 2024 ~ 10:00 a.m.

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“✠” *Invites all to stand in body or in spirit*

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE BELL

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP (One/**Many**)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless his holy name. [Cf. Psalm 103:1-12]

**We who know the LORD, know that God is
merciful and gracious, slow to anger and
abounding in steadfast love.**

O People of God, blessed are you, for God does not deal
with us according to our sins.

**As far as the east is from the west,
so far God removes our transgressions from us.**

This is the forgiveness offered us through Jesus Christ
and the Spirit.

✠ OPENING PRAYER

✠ HYMN

CH #73

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

✠ GLORIA PATRI

***Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and always shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.***

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

NEWER TESTAMENT LESSON **Romans 7:14-20, 24-25**

R: The Word of God. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART ☺

GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:35-37

R: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Jesus Christ.**

MESSAGE

Rev. Chuck Aurand

✠ HYMN

CH #339

"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

A TIME OF PRAYER

A TIME OF OFFERING

✠ DOXOLOGY

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

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

✠ HYMN

CH #420

"I Come with Joy"

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
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suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
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he ascended into heaven,
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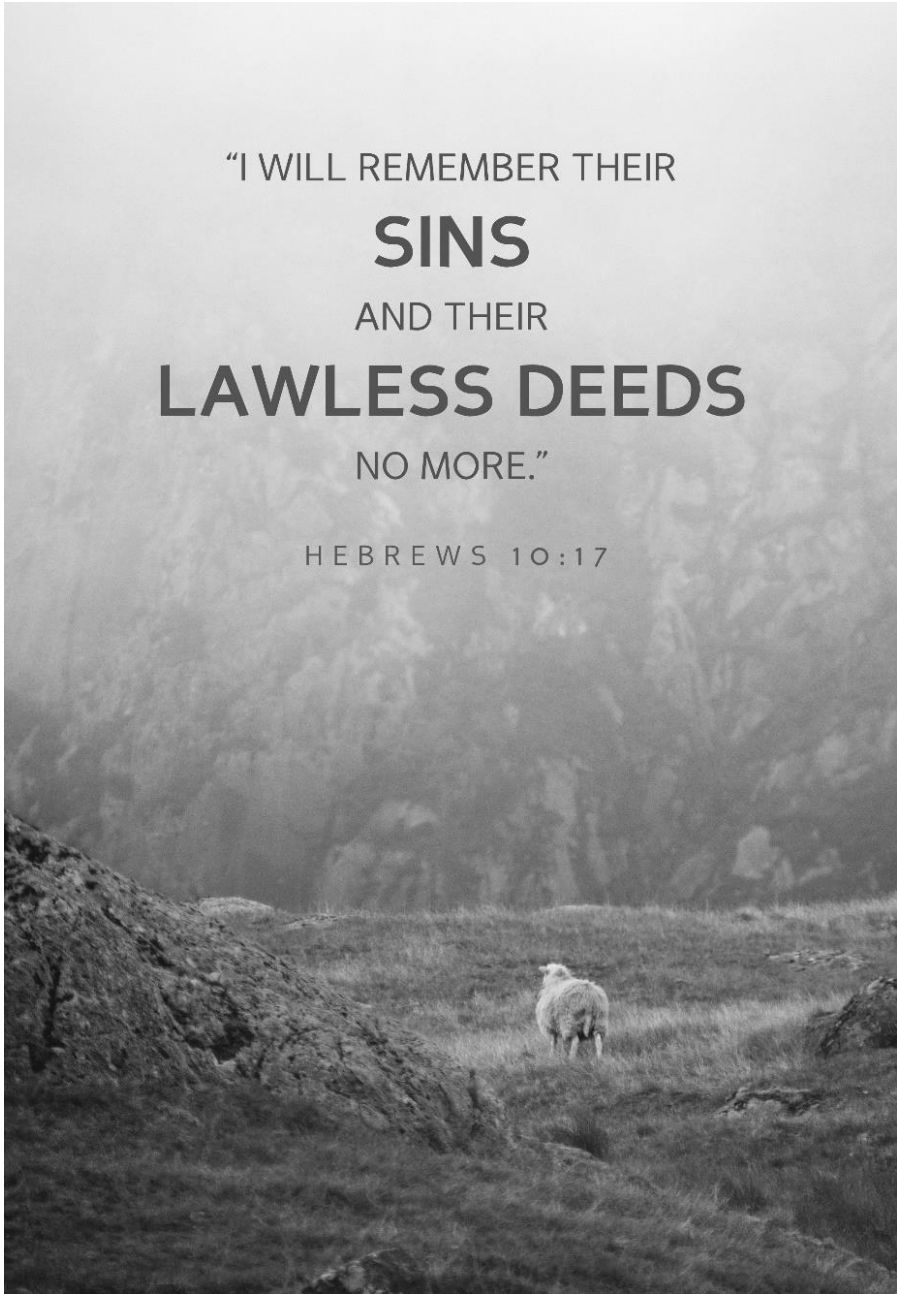
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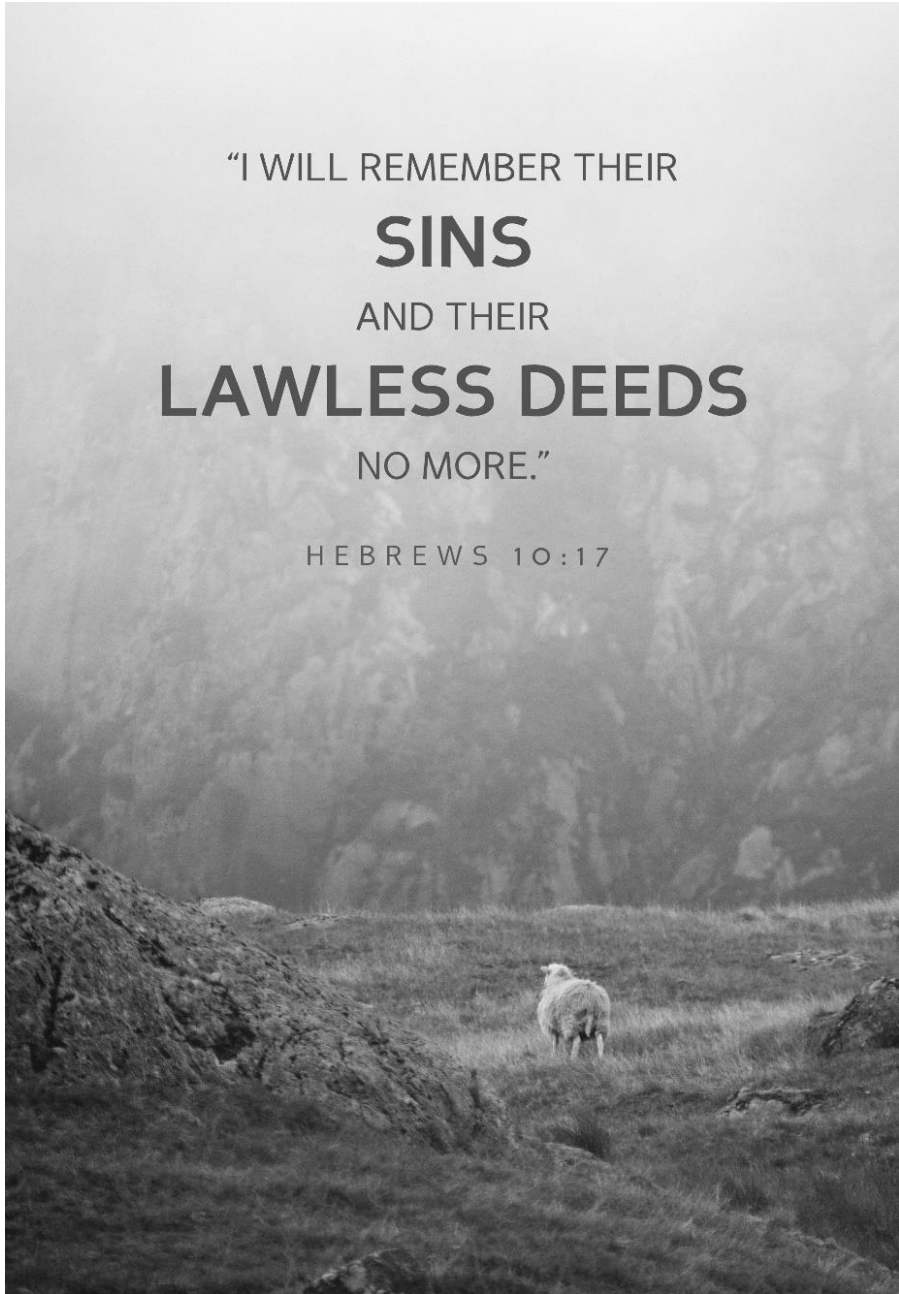
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