"If the devil can't make you sin, he'll make you busy"" ~ Corrie ten Boom

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." ~ Matthew 11:28-30

"And [Jesus] said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat." ~ Mark 6:31

> "For thus said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength."" ~ Isaiah 30:15a

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#### Welcome

**Call to Worship:** (Psalm 4:6-8)

Leader: There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?"

People: "Lift up the light of your face upon us, O Lord!"

# Leader: You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound.

People: In peace I will both lie down and sleep;

All: For you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

#### Prayer

Song: Come Away From Rush and Hurry

Bible Teaching (Hebrews 4:8-13)Chris Biddy

**Group Prayer Time** (*Take the liberty to move through these needs as you feel led.*)

### Target Groups

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... ~ Matthew 28:18-19a ~ Spend time praying for people in your target groups

- spend time praying for people in your target groups
  - For God to give you a heart for the lost & your neighbors
  - For opportunities to reach new people
  - For conviction of sin and the realization that joy is offered in Christ
  - For boldness in evangelism

## **Confession**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. ~ Psalm 51:10-12

 $\sim$  Spend time confessing sin and acknowledging the need for his mercy and for giveness

- For your lack of rest in the gospel that saves AND sustains
- For your lack of attentiveness to the Spirit due to busyness
- For your lack of humility and tenderness
- For your lack of stewardship

### <u>Thanksgiving</u>

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever. ~ Psalm 136:1

~ Spend time sharing the many reasons you're thankful to God (for His grace, love, sustenance, etc).

- That God's providence has provided the needs of our church and allowed for multiple mission opportunities
- That our ministries are ending a semester of faithful ministry of God's Word

# ~ Feel free to share your personal reasons for thanksgiving.

# **Supplication**

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.  $\sim 1$  Pet. 5:7

- ~ Pray for:
  - Chris & Minty Swanson, for the loss of Chris' daughter & health issues
  - Daily Waters as he is suffering from numerous ailments
  - Our Session and Diaconate, and the new additions to each
  - Sydney Phillips, Blair Witte, Elizabeth Cain, and Samantha Jensen (pregnant mama's:) )

# ~ Feel free to share your needs.

# (7:25) Concluding Corporate Prayer

(7:26 PM) Song: From Everlasting (Psalm 90)

#### Benediction

Solution 5/01 Hot Spot: Zaxby's (Next to Church)

(The next prayer gathering will be August 7th at 6:30 pm)