

The Love of Christ Compels Us...UP (Worship)

- Grace and peace to you! **Welcome to our Lord's Day worship service.** Whether you are a believer or doubter, sinner or saint, you're invited to be a part of our faith community. **There's a place for you here!** To whoever will come, this congregation opens wide its doors and welcomes all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- **Continuing today we offer the practice of "spur-of-the-moment" liturgists.** As a reminder, the worship service is led by the people who show up and feel led by God to lead the people of God in worship.
- **"Back to Church" Sunday is September 10th.** We will resume our traditional schedule for Christian Education (9:45AM) and Worship (11:00AM). More details to come!

The Love of Christ Compels Us...OUT (Mission)

- **Deacon Mission Project** – Going to the laundromat can be both emotionally depressing and financially challenging for some people. In response, the Deacon's latest local mission project is called **"Loads of Love,"** which aims to minister to the emotional and financial needs of those who use our local laundromats. Their goal is to visit laundromats and to give away both quarters and unscented laundry soap, but they need your help. **The Deacons need you to donate quarters and unscented laundry soap, so they can begin their ministry.** Donated quarters and laundry soap can be dropped off in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for your donations.

The Love of Christ Compels Us...IN (Transformation)

- **Midweek Bible Study & Spiritual Formation group**—Meeting dates & times are sporadic for the rest of August. Please speak with Rev. Rodgers for more info.
- **We are HALF-WAY THROUGH our creative community Bible project, with 33 Bible verses posted to-date!** We're looking for our church community's 52 favorite Bible verses, and we need your help. Grab a piece of colored paper, a marker, a Bible, and copy down one of your favorite Bible verses. Then attach it to the clothesline in the sanctuary. Let's fill up the clothesline with our favorite verses!

The Love of Christ Compels Us...TOGETHER (Fellowship)

- **Summer Work Projects** – Ruling Elder Chris Giebner, who is overseeing the stewardship of the church building and grounds, has identified some projects that need completed this summer. There is some painting and some weeding that needs done to improve the look of the church grounds. If you're able to offer your assistance, please contact Chris cgboss1142@gmail.com or 814-873-3739. Thank you.
- Improve your financial giving to the church, making the commitment to give both regularly and faithfully in proportion to your income.
- At least one day/evening each week, go have fun and build relationships with others.

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The Lord's Day, August 13th

10 o'clock service

Service of Christian Worship

Childcare is available for children ages Pre-K through Grade 2. They are dismissed downstairs after the children's message. If you prefer, your children are welcome to remain with you for the entire worship service.

MUSIC TO LEAD US INTO THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Jamie Burdette, pianist

CALL TO WORSHIP

◇ OPENING HYMN #55, Immortal, Invisible

{◇ If able, please stand}

◇ OPENING PRAYER

UNISON CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord Jesus, save us! We are intimidated by our circumstances, distracted from your purposes, drowning in doubts and fears. We are presumptuous about your will, belittling others and magnifying ourselves. We envy the blessings of others, secretly despising their dreams. We have hardened our hearts to the suffering of our brothers and sisters, feeding ourselves in face of the injustice that holds them captive. Lord Jesus, who searches our hearts, lift us from sin and help us to walk with you in faith, humility, and brotherly-sisterly love. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

In this moment of silence, examine your heart and silently confess your sins to God.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

◇ OUR RESPONSE OF THANKS TO GOD

Hymnal #43, 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 ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen."

◇ **THE PEACE**

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHILDREN’S MESSAGE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEOPLE

VOICING THE VISION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

BIBLE READING – Acts 5:1-11

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OUR RESPONSE TO THE HEARING OF GOD’S WORD

One: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

HYMN OF RESPONSE #66, There’s Something About That Name

◇ **AFFIRMATION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH – The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

◇ **THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING TO GOD**

Hymnal #39, Doxology

“Praise, God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

◇ **UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God, we thank you for your call and claim upon our lives. Because there is so much more we can become, and so much more we can do, we pray that our faith will increase; that our practice of generosity will be enlarged; and that our joy in believing will encourage others as we share with them the good news of Jesus Christ; in whose name we pray. Amen.

◇ **CLOSING HYMN #105, God Be with You**

◇ **VOICING OUR VISION**

The love of Christ compels us, and we no longer live for ourselves but for Christ who died to give us life.

◇ **THE GIVING OF GOD’S BLESSING**

◇ **MUSIC SENDING US OUT TO SERVE GOD AND THE COMMUNITY**

This Week’s (August 13, 2017) participants

Pianist: Jamie Burdette

Greeters: Connie Covington & Kim Hughes

Children’s Ministry Volunteers: TBD

Next Week’s (August 20, 2017) participants

Pianist: Lindsay Rodgers

Greeters: Bill & Jenn Redfoot

Children’s Ministry Volunteers: TBD

August 2017 Giving-To-Date: \$1,467.00

July 2017 Giving: \$5,788.50

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Sarah Gibson, 724-854-0884

DAILY PRAYER: MORNING

God, the new day begins with such promise. Help me to enter into this day with joy and confidence in your power and goodness. Whatever challenge I may face, help me to trust in your presence, remembering that you are stronger than any difficulty or threat. In Christ’s name, I pray. Amen.

DAILY PRAYER: EVENING

God, quiet any voices of fear and doubt that would trouble me, toss and turn me. Grant me, and anyone who enters the night hours with anxiety or pain, your perfect peace. Favor your children with calm and rest, with healing and renewal, as we sleep and dream in your arms of mercy. In Jesus’ name, I pray. Amen.