

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Office Hours this week are Tuesday-Friday, 9 AM-1 PM.
Pastor will be in on Monday (from 1 PM) and Thursday.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL to kick-off Fall Stewardship is Today, after worship.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED offering is received throughout the month of October. Offering envelopes are in the pews.

RUMMAGE SALE is this Friday, Noon-2 pm (\$3 Admission) and Saturday (No charge) 8:30 AM 12:30 PM. Help is needed with set up on Wednesday. If you have any questions or can help with the sale, please call Margot Beck at 561-737-0012.

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday, October 28, 11:30 AM Coffee & Conversation: Updates with Pastor Brad on Designated Term Goals and New Beginnings; and with Fred Moore on Search Process

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY items are collected each week. Please place your canned food and dry goods donations in the bin at the back of the church.

STEWARDSHIP pledge cards should be returned on Sunday, November 11th. If you did not receive one in the mail, contact the office. Extra cards are located in the back of the church.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Every Thursday, 6:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month, 10:30 AM – Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)

2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, 10:30 AM – Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)



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Sunday, October 21, 2018 + 10:00 am
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
No matter who you love, you are welcome here!*



Visitors are a special blessing! *Please sign our Guest Book, located in the back of the sanctuary. If you would like to receive our newsletters and weekly emails, include your email address. And join us after worship for conversation and refreshments in the Friendship Center.*



To enhance your worship experience...

- Kindly silence your cell phone in the sanctuary
- Back cushions are available in the back pew or ask an usher
- A hearing loop encircles the sanctuary for those with hearing aids
- There are no assigned seats – sit where you feel most comfortable
- If you do not wish to keep your bulletin, please place it in the recycle box as you exit to Friendship Center
- Let us know what we can do for you!

Nursery Care is available for infants and toddlers in the education building. Ask an usher for assistance. **Sunday School** classes meet in the Education Building following the Children's Conversation.

Prayer Requests may be submitted using a form in the pew rack and placing it on the offering plate. Requests are at Prayer Ministry Gatherings on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month, 10:30am. Requests may also be called in to the Church Office during the week.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

**please stand in body or spirit*

Welcome and Life of the Church

Prelude

Pastorale

Roesch

*(You are encouraged to use this time for prayer & meditation.
In respect for others, please observe silence in the sanctuary.)*

Call To Worship

One: We may come here for a glimpse of glory,

Many: But Jesus asks us: “Can you drink the cup that I drink?”

One: The cup of Jesus’ own life: struggle and joy; suffering and hope.
Fullness of life!

We may come here to get close to Jesus,

Many: And Jesus asks us: “Can you be baptized with my baptism?”

One: Baptized into the reign of God, where the Spirit breaks down barriers
among all people and creates new relationships!

We may come here for honor or fame,

Many: But Jesus challenges us: “To become great you must serve!”

One: Why are we here?

Many: To drink the cup of fullness of life;

To immerse ourselves in Jesus’ struggle for justice and peace;

To learn how to serve so that the world may be healed.

***Gathering Hymn #305**

You Servants of God, Your Sovereign Proclaim

***Gathering Prayer**

Holy Dwelling Place,

**Your tent is wide enough to provide shelter for all who seek you,
food for all who hunger, and healing for all who suffer.**

Meet us here today, and fill us with confidence in your presence,

that we may risk sharing Jesus’ cup and his baptism

so the world may become the place of love and justice you desire for all.

Shelter us with your light,

and clothe us with your heavenly garments.

Teach us how we may best serve ourselves and one another

on this daring adventure. Amen.

Stewardship Testimony

Bud Scott

Offering Invitation

Offertory

Elevation

Benoit

***Doxology** (*you may either sing the traditional words or the inclusive version below*)

**Praise God from who all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that Love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Parent God, may this offering assist us in continuing Christ’s work in the world to heal the grief, transgressions, and illnesses that oppress and harm your creation. Amen.

***Hymn #498**

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

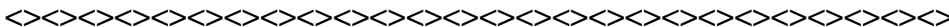
***Sending and Blessing**

Postlude

Allegro Maestoso

Handel

You are invited to exit quietly or remain seated during the postlude to enjoy a last moment of worship.



PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE

The Reverend Brad S. Lutz, Designated Pastor

Ed Krynicki, Director of Music

Lizz Sanders, Liturgist



Reflection on Scripture

In Spite of Ourselves

Anthem

Lord, Speak To Me

Hopson

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak, that I may speak in living echoes of Thy tone; as Thou hast sought, so let me seek, so let me seek Thine erring children lost and lone. O lead me, Lord, that I may lead, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet; O feed me, Lord, that I may feed, that I may feed Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious things Thou dost impart; and wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart. O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart overflow in kindling thought and glowing word, Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, use even me, just as Thou wilt, and when, and where, until Thy blessed face I see, Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Response:

The musical score is written in 6/4 time with a tempo of 100. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "May we but wait up on Love's word, knowing our prayer is heard." The score includes guitar chords: D, G, A, Bsus⁴, B⁷, Em⁷, G⁶, A⁶, and D. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final double bar line and repeat dots.

***Prayer of Jesus** (*trespasses*)

Choral Introit

Praise The Lord

Children's Conversation

Song: To be like Jesus, to be like Jesus! My desire to be like Jesus!

All through life's journey from earth to glory, My desire to be like Jesus.

Prayer for Understanding

Reading of the Scripture

Epistle Hebrews 5:1-10

Gospel Mark 10:35-45

Response:



To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra, hal - le - lu - jah!
God has spo - ken to the peo - ple, hal - le - lu - jah!



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