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CHILDREN’S MINISTRY NEWS

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Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship class after the Children’s Message with Justine Ruisz.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-VPK (15/16 School Year), Room 3 with Amanda & Jade Johnson.

Kindergarten-2nd Grades, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Justine Ruisz.

3rd-5th Grades, Room 8
Students gather to worship at the beginning of the service with their teachers, in the front Sanctuary rows, closest to the band. After the Prayers of Joys & Concerns, they will move to room 8 with Melissa & Griffen Patel.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
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Parents, if you wish for your children to receive communion please have them remain with you in the worship service on Communion Sundays. If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Elder Dawn Winder, Chair of Worship Team.

9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
On the 1st Sunday we will meet in the Ignite service to enjoy worship and communion together. Middle and High School will be in the Youth Room on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Sunday morning adult education classes will resume in September. Please look for other adult Christian education opportunities on our announcement insert.
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May 29, 2016
2nd Sunday after Pentecost
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WE GATHER

(Let the congregation be silent, and in prayer as the music begins. Please silence electronic devices.)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

OPENING VOLUNTARY

(8:15) “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” arr. Charles Callahan

(11:00) “And Can It Be?” arr. Linda R. Lamb

Celestial Ringers (4th & 5th Grade)

(Acolytes symbolically bring in the light of Christ & then take it out into the world.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

(Complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)

*HYMN #385 “All People That on Earth Do Dwell” OLD HUNDREDTH

CALL TO CONFESSION

Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together)

God of every nation, as we remember those that gave their lives for our sake, let us be stirred to action in their memory. We confess that we have not done all that is possible to promote peace and justice in our world. We have not loved our neighbors, let alone our enemies. Forgive us for failing to live up to your commandments. Empower us to work for your Kingdom in this world, and welcome us by your grace into your Kingdom in the next. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN #817 “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” DUNLAP’S CREEK

WE CONFESS

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

“In Christ There Is No East or West” arr. David Cherwien

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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--words by Claire Cloninger © 1986 WORD MUSIC

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN #738 “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” MARYTON

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ANTHEM

“God Bless America” arr. Joseph Martin

Barbara Jordan, Alto

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While the storm clouds gather far across the sea,
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

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