CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

| 3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (17/18 School Year) | Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem. |

**9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

| 3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade, Room 2 | Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Kim Blackmore & Jane Winne. |
| 3rd-5th Grade, Room 8 | Students will start in the sanctuary and then move to room 8 with Sarah Flaherty & Justine Ruiz. |

**11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

| 3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (17/18 School Year) | Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem. |
| Childcare for children 3yr-5th grade who attended Sunday school at 9:30 will be in room 2. |

**9:30 AM MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Middle & High School youth are meeting this week for Sunday School. All youth are welcome to worship together in the back row of the Sanctuary at the 9:30 Ignite service. We’ll be in service for the first 20 minutes and then we’ll move to the City for Sunday School. Students will start in their classroom for the Sunday school worship following the anthem.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**9:30 A.M. TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Rooms 9-11**

Earlier this year Australian astronomers detected signals which may be the first light in the universe. Do these kinds of scientific discoveries undermine or enrich our faith? Barbara Englehart will lead our discussion as we talk about some of the intersections of science and faith. We’ll have coffee and cookies to help fuel the conversation.

**11:00 A.M. EXPERIENCING GOD CLASS**

will meet today in room 15, led by Vicki Krueger.

**3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade**

Children may remain in service with their family or join us in room 3 for a multi-age Sunday School worship following the anthem.

**9:30 A.M. ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Today concludes our bible study with Professor Michael Jahosky teaching at 9:30AM in room 10. This class is a Bible study that will give you the basic tools to talk about your faith with non-Christians.
Order for the Public Worship of God  
May 13, 2018  
7th Sunday of Easter  
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

THE GATHERING  
(we invite you to participate by responding to the prayer and call to worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP  
Chris Curvin, Pastor  
(adapted—Psalm 47)

One:  Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God, songs of joy!  
All:  For the Lord, the Most High, is King over all the earth.  
One:  God has gone up with a shout, with the sound of a trumpet.  
All:  Sing praises to God! Sing praises to our Lord and King!

OPENING VOLUNTARY  
“Athou Fount of Every Blessing”  
arr. Jason W. Krug  
Hallelujah Ringers  
(see the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One:  Happy are we, because we are made whole, through Jesus Christ.  
All:  Happy are we, God’s beloved ones, as we receive God’s  
One:  Happy are we, when we walk in the ways of our God.  
All:  Happy are we, God’s beloved ones, as we receive God’s  
One:  Happy are we, because we are made whole, through Jesus Christ.  
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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, grace, reconciliation and goodness: we are sorry for so much;  
for words we cannot bear to admit, for memories we cannot bear to relive,  
for thoughts we cannot bear to admit. But you know our hearts. Relieve us of  
our burdens, bind our hearts not to the unbearable but rather to you, O God,  
thoughts we cannot bear to admit. But you know our hearts. Relieve us of  
our burdens, bind our hearts not to the unbearable but rather to you, O God,  
so that, in all ways, we may live in the joy of your salvation and the delight  
of your loving embrace. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One:  Happy are we, when we walk in the ways of our God.  
All:  Happy are we, God’s beloved ones, as we receive God’s  
One:  Happy are we, because we are made whole, through Jesus Christ.  
All:  Happy are we, God’s beloved ones, as we receive God’s

CALL TO CONFESSION  
Paul Means, Associate Pastor

PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
OLD HUNDREDTH

*HYMN #306  
“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”  
DENNIS

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 1: 6-11 (page 884)

SERMON  
“A Poem to Be Finished”  
Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #268  
“Crown Him with Many Crowns”  
DIADEMAT

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581  
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.

ANTHEM  
“I Am Bound for the Kingdom”  
arr. Lloyd Larson  
Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, sing His mercy and His grace;  
In the mansions bright and blessed He’ll prepare for us a place.  
I am bound for the kingdom, will you go to glory with me?  
Hallelujah, praise the Lord!

CLOSING VOLUNTARY  
“Crown Him with Many Crowns”  
Michael Burkhardt

(You are invited to remain for the final act of worship, the closing voluntary. A  
Close look is welcomed if you wish to come stand next to the organ console.)

*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.

God’s Blessing to You