CHILDREN’S MINISTRY NEWS

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds-2nd Grade (16/17 School Year)
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9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

3 Yr. Olds– Kindergarten, Room 3
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Nancy Stevens & Aimee Kemerer.
1st-2nd Grade, Room 2
Students will start and stay in their classroom for the Sunday school hour with Dan & Bree Greff.
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 Todd & Kathleen Pope.

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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Childcare for children 3yr-5th grade who attended Sunday school at 9:30 will be in room 2.
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.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:30 TCI (Today’s Christian Issues) Class– Rooms 9 & 11
At least 7 planets have been discovered in nearby solar systems, which may be able to support water-based, intelligent life. With new telescopes coming on line, contact may be near. Join us in Rooms 9 & 11 as Joe Zeigler leads what is likely to be a lively discussion. Coffee and cookies–always!!

11:00 A.M. Experiencing God Class– Rooms 9 & 11
Led by Vicki Krueger

6:30-7:30 p.m. Bible Study in rooms 4 & 6
Join us as we continue our Bible study, Sunday evenings at 6:30. Any questions? Please call Cindy Huffman at 727-733-8726.

HYMN NOTES:

Day of Arising (252)

This text is by Susan Palo Cherwien (b. 1953) and was commissioned for the 1996 annual assembly of the Minneapolis Area Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). It is based on today’s lectionary text Luke 24:13-35, the story of Jesus’ encounter with travelers on the way to Emmaus who do not recognize him until he breaks bread with them after they arrive there.

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Order for the Public Worship of God
April 30, 2017
3rd Sunday of Easter
8:15 & 11:00 AM Worship Services

WE GATHER
(LET THE CONGREGATION BE SILENT, AND IN PRAYER AS THE MUSIC BEGINS.
PLEASE SILENCE ELECTRONIC DEVICES.)

CALL TO WORSHIP
Paul Means, Associate Pastor
Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!
Leader: When Jesus speaks, our hearts burn within us;
People: our eyes are opened when he breaks the bread.
Leader: Let us worship God.

OPENING VOLUNTARY
“All Glory Be to God on High” Timothy Albrecht

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
Chris Curvin, Pastor

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
(please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and pass it toward the center aisle.)

*HYMN #267 “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” MADRID

WE CONFESS
Chris Curvin, Pastor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Mighty God: by your power is Christ raised from death to rule this world with love. We confess that we have not believed in him, but fall into doubt and fear. Gladness has no home in our hearts, and gratitude is slight. Forgive our dread of dying, our hopelessness, and set us free for joy in the victory of Jesus Christ, who was dead but lives, and will put down every power to hurt or destroy, when your promised kingdom comes. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God. Born of His Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;
This is my song, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all my life long.

PRYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING “Pastorale on Bradbury” Dale Wood
(Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us) (1934-2003)

*A DOXOLOGY—#606 OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*HYMN #252 “Day of Arising” RAABE

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SERMON “When Doubt Nips at Your Heels” Chris Curvin, Pastor

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN #500 “Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread” ST. FLAVIAN

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY
“Christ Is Arisen” Anton Wilhelm Leupold
(The closing voluntary is the final act of worship. If you must leave before the end of the service, please respect those who are listening and leave quietly.)

Stephanie Carson, Music Director
Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

*CONGREGATION WILL STAND. IF STANDING IS DIFFICULT FOR YOU, FEEL FREE TO REMAIN SEATED.

For more information and classroom assignments for Children’s Sunday School, please see Children’s Ministry News on the back panel of this bulletin.

COUNTDOWN

WELCOME

PRAISE SONGS
“Good to Be Alive”
“Eye of the Storm”

PRAYER
“Because He Lives”

MEET & GREET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SONG
“Come As You Are”

PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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