EDUCATION MINISTRY FOR ALL AGES

8:15 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
We will not meet at 8:15 during the summer.

9:30 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
3 Yr. Olds-5 Yr. Olds Room 3
Teachers: Dan Gipson & Assistant
1st-5th Grades Room 8
Teachers: Pam Means & Assistant

11:00 AM CHILDREN’S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
We will not meet at 11:00 during the summer.

Please plan ahead and prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament of Communion on the first Sunday of the month. It is a prayerful time for giving thanks and confessing our sins, renewing our commitment to God, and hearing the Word proclaimed. 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 this process, please contact elder Jackie Koski (jackieandjerry@verizon.net), Chair of the Worship Team.

11:00 AM YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Summer Study of John: Join us as we study the book of John! Class meets from 10:45am to Noon in the Youth Room for 6th-12th graders!

9:30 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SERENDIPITY
NOTE: We are on summer break. Classes will resume in September. See you then!

TCI (Today’s Christian Issues)
TODAY: TCI is now on summer hiatus. Have a joyful summer and remember to check church publications in August for plans for the Fall semester. We look forward to welcoming you back on Sunday, September 7.

11:00 AM ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

EXPERIENCING GOD
NOTE: Summer is upon us and our class is taking a break. We will see you again in September!

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A Stephen Ministry Church
July 27, 2014

Come, Grow, Go!

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Order for the Public Worship of God
July 20, 2014
6th Sunday after Pentecost
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.)

PRAYER OF PREPARATION
(11:00) Ed Puschamann

OPENING VOLUNTARY  “Joy to the World”  G.F. Handel
Steve Cantin, Trumpet
arr. Mitchell-Wallace/Head

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
(Please complete the bulletin insert, “FRIENDSHIP SHEET,” and place it in the offering plate later in the service).

*HYMN #132  “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”  IN DULCI JUBILÓ

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Togetherness)

Eternal God: through long generations you prepared a way in our world for
the coming of your Son, and by your Spirit you are still bringing the light of
the good news to darkened lives. Renew us, so that we may welcome Jesus
Christ to rule our thoughts and claim our love, as Lord of lords and King of
kings, to whom be glory always. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*BENEDICTIO

WE HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING  (page 833)  Luke 2:8-14 (NRSV)

CHRISTMAS CAROL MEDLEY  (page 427)  Psalm 8 (NRSV)

SERMON SERIES

Stop, Look and Listen to the Psalms:
#4 “Unwrapping Christmas” (Psalm 8)

SOLO

“I Wonder as I Wander”  Appalachian Carol
Cindy Huffman, Alto
arr. John Jacob Niles

WE CONFESS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE SHARE

CALL TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Go Tell It on the Mountain”  David M. Cherwien

*DOXOLOGY—#606

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

PRAYERS 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.”

*HYMNS

#121 (stanzas 1, 2)  “O Little Town of Bethlehem”  ST. LOUIS
#122 (stanzas 3, 4)  “Silent Night, Holy Night!”  STILLE NACHT

*BENEDICTIO

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”  David M. Cherwien
(You are invited to remain for the final act of worship, the closing voluntary. A
closer look is welcomed if you wish to come stand next to the organ console.)

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

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