

Activities & Meetings

Sunday, May 27

8:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 am	Sunday School	All rooms
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary

Monday, May 28

Our Church Building/Office will be closed for the Memorial Holiday

Wednesday, May 30

10:00 am	Interest Group	Rooms 11,12
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 221	Downstairs

Thursday, May 31

4:00 pm	VUMmer Hummer Rehearsal and Ice Cream Party	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Saturday, June 2

7:30-12:30 pm	Blood Drive	Dining Room
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Sunday, June 3

8:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 am	Sunday School	All rooms
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Annual Church Picnic at Arnold Park - (Note if you wish to purchase tickets for Phil's Chicken, please do so today.)	

Finance Update

Year to Date Income minus expenses: +/- \$ (7,802)

May's Income Goal: \$36,000

Week 1 Income: \$10,273

Week 2 Income: \$ 9,787

Week 3 Income: \$ 7,320

Income Needed for this month's goal: **\$ 8,710**

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May 27, 2018



Welcome to all our visitors today! Welcome packets in the pew back in front of you. We would appreciate it if you would take the time to complete the information card inside and return it in the offering plate. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to talk with any of our staff or volunteers.



* Indicates to stand if you are able

Preparation for Worship

Announcements and Greeting

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Prelude

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

ARR: MARILYN HAM

Bringing in the Light

* **Call to Worship** by David Inglis [using #89 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* vs. 1]

Leader: Praise be to you, God, who has awakened us to a new day, and who offers us a new life that dawns with the light of your grace and love.

People: (singing) Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love, Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee, opening to the sun above.

Leader: Praise be to you God, who spins galaxies through the eons of time and space, who sets the evening sky ablaze with glory, who breathes life us.

People: (singing) All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.

Leader: Praise be to you God, who emptied yourself to live as our brother and friend, whose heart knows no barriers to compassion and mercy, whose holy purpose is to lift us into the fullness of joy and unity with you and all creation.

People: (singing): Thou our Father, Christ our Brother - all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine!

* **437 Hymn of Praise** *This Is My Song* FINLANDIA

* **Passing of the Peace**

Silence

A Memorial Day Prayer:

God of blessing, as our nation pauses today to remember those in the military who have given their lives for freedoms we enjoy, we pray you would have us all look to you for strength, comfort and guidance. Jesus taught us that no love is greater than that which gives itself for another. These honored dead gave the most precious gift they had, life itself, for loved ones and neighbors, for comrades and country – and for us. Be with all who serve in our Armed Forces. Bless them and their families. Let peace prevail among all the nations, God. Turn the hearts of all to your holy ways, in which we find the true peace. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Meditation

The Lord's Prayer (895 in the red hymnal)

Anthem *Peace I Give to You* LARRY VISSER

Prayer for Illumination

O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 Pew Bible OT p. 604

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Message

Nursery is available during the entire hour for children age 0-3 in room 21 of the church. Children age 3-5 may leave after the Children's Message for a 3-K nursery in room 22.

***593 Hymn** *Here I Am, Lord* HERE I AM, LORD

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-8 Pew Bible NT p. 89

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *"Get it Together, Nic"* Mike Willis

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer The pastor will pause for you to name others to be remembered.

Offering

Offertory *Piano Song* PAUL HALLEY

* 94 Doxology

* Presentation of Gifts

***159 Hymn** *Lift High the Cross* CRUCIFER

***Benediction**

***God's Light Goes Forth**

***664 Congregational Response** *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* [verse 1]

***Postlude** *Fugue in C-Minor* HORATIO PARKER

Those Serving in Worship Today:

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Acolyte: Leah Jones

Readers: Barbara Reining

Music: Tim Andrews/Dan Rosenau

Organist: Dan Rosenau

Greeters: Lorie Woughter

Usher Team: Dave Reed

Welcomers: Tim and Robin Rhodes

Darren Perdue

Tim Andrews/Dan Rosenau

Dan Rosenau

Dan and Marie Clink

John Goodell

Ruth Mitchell and Kaye Wood

Flowers in the chancel today are in memory of Merle Cage and in honor of Tim Bunzey Jr.