

August 26th, 2018

*This is the day that the LORD has made,
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

Please greet those around you before the announcements begin.

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Greeting (Sharing God's Welcome)

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Moments of Meditation

While the music is being played, quietly prepare your heart for worship.

“Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous ones;
And shout for joy, all you who are upright in heart.”

Psalm 32:11

Rejoice, the Lord is King

arr. Berry

Call to Worship

Galatians 1:3-5

***Hymn of Praise**

I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art

No. 168

I greet Thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart,
who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray Thee from our hearts all cares to take.

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in ev'ry place:
so come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of Thy pure day.

Thou art the Life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive;
O comfort us in death's approaching hour, strong-hearted then to face it by Thy pow'r.

Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness, no harshness hast Thou and no bitterness:
make us to taste the sweet grace found in Thee and ever stay in Thy sweet unity.

Our hope is in no other save in Thee; our faith is built upon Thy promise free;
O grant to us such stronger hope and sure that we can boldly conquer and endure.

***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Hosea 2:16-23
Pew Bible Page 1397

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments. We have sinned, committed iniquity, acted wickedly, and rebelled, even turning aside from Your commandments and ordinances. Moreover, we have not listened to Your servants, the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our rulers, our fathers, and all the people of the land. Righteousness belongs to You, O Lord, but to us open shame, because we have sinned against You. To the Lord our God belong compassion and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against Him; we have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in His teachings which He set before us through His servants the prophets. Indeed all of us have transgressed Your law and turned aside, not obeying Your voice. So now, our God, listen to our prayer and supplications, and for Your sake, O Lord, let Your face shine on Your desolate sanctuary. O our God, incline Your ear and hear, for we are not presenting our supplications before You on account of any merits of our own, but on account of Your great compassion. O Lord, hear and forgive! For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Ephesians 3:16-18

¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward, to Thy glorious rest above.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread His praise from shore to shore;
how He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore;
how He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them all His own;
how for them He intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

My Jesus, I Love Thee

arr. Larson

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
for Thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
if ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

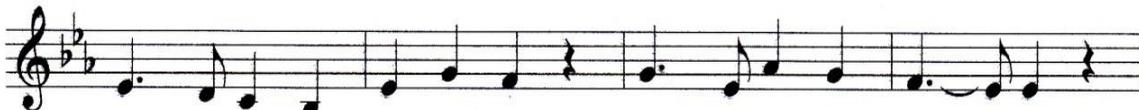
I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death;
and praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
and say, when the death-dew lies cold on my brow;
if ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

***Chorus of Preparation**

Joy Has Dawned



1. Joy has dawned up - on the world, pro - mised from cre - a - tion:
2. Once a babe in Beth - le - hem, now the Lord of his - to - ry.



God's sal - va - tion now un - furled, hope for ev - ry na - tion.
What a Sav - ior, what a Friend, what a glo - rious mys - ter - y.



Not with fan - fares from a - bove, not with scenes of glo - ry
Son of Ad - am, Son of heav'n, giv - en as a ran - som,



but a hum - ble gift of love: Je - sus born of
rec - on - cil - ing God and man, Christ our might - y



Mar - y.
Cham - pi - on!

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**Parents of 3 year olds through Kindergarten may bring their children to Children's Bible Time in the Blue Classroom for the duration of the service.

In following Christ's example, the Christian husband:

1. Represents his wife
2. Sacrifices for his wife
3. Is united with his wife

***Hymn of Response**

A Christian Home

No. 719

Tune: Finlandia

O give us homes built firm upon the Savior,
where Christ is Head and Counselor and guide;
where every child is taught His love and favor
and give his heart to Christ, the crucified:
how sweet to know that though his footsteps savor,
his faithful Lord is walking by his side!

O give us homes with godly fathers, mothers,
who always place their hope and trust in Him;
whose tender patience turmoil never bothers,
whose calm and courage trouble cannot dim:
a home where each finds joy in serving others,
and love still shines, tho' days be dark and grim.

O Lord, our God, our homes are Thine forever!
We trust to Thee their problems, toil, and care;
their bonds of love no enemy can sever,
if Thou art always Lord and Master there:
be Thou the center of our least endeavor -
be Thou our guest, our hearts and home to share.

***Benediction**

***Gloria Patri**

No. 735

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.

***Postlude**

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

arr. Larson

*** Congregation:** Please stand as able.

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Piano

Scripture Reading & Intercessory Prayer:

Sandy DeGroot
Nelson Schoon, Elder

Weekly Calendar

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>EVENT</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------|--|
| SUN 8/26 | 10:30 AM | Worship Service |
| THURS 8/30 | 11:30 AM 6:00 PM | Out to Brunch at Viking Chili Bowl Building Expansion Committee Meeting |
| SUN 9/02 | 10:30 AM | Worship Service & The Lord's Supper |

Important Upcoming Events

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| SAT 9/08 | TBD | Annual Hayride at Lindborg's farm |
| | 8:00 AM | Mid-America Annual Golf Outing Register online at www.midamerica.edu . |
| SUN 9/09 | 8:45 AM | First Week of Sunday School Light breakfast from 8:45 – 9:15 am |

Announcements

☞ **Teacher / Substitute Teachers Needed:** Sunday School will resume on September 9 with a light breakfast from 8:45 – 9:15 am to start off the new year. Because of the breakfast, we will not have opening exercises that day. Also, please contact Lorrie Martin or Melissa Stoltzfus if you are interested in serving as a teacher or substitute for Sunday School for the upcoming year.

☞ **Scripture Reading During the Worship Service:** The Session wants to open the scripture reading to any member of Good Shepherd. If you would like to read scripture during the service, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

☞ **Care Groups:** Elder care groups are forming this month to begin in September. The Session is again planning a fairly intensive church growth program for this fall with a focus on *Gospel Shaped Living*. This program will have the entire church involved in a teaching (Sunday School), Bible study (care groups) and daily devotional program with coordinated Sunday sermons, as we did last fall. The care groups will set up times to try to meet every other week during the 7-week program. Whether you have been in one previously or not, the elders would like to see every member be a part of one of these care groups. New sign-up sheets for various care groups are available in the narthex. Last year's participants have been included. If you wish to join or change groups, or if you wish to remain in the same group, please indicate this. If you have been in the same group for several years, you might find this to be a good time to get to know other people in the church by changing groups. Please see one of the elders with questions.

☞ **Brunch on Thursday:** Come to the Viking Chili Bowl (105 E Morthland Drive, Valparaiso) at 11:30 am this Thursday for Brunch. Everyone welcome!

☞ **Ladies' Bible Study:** The ladies' Bible study will have its first meeting on Wednesday, September 12. Two times will be offered this year. One Bible study will be at 9:30 am and the second at 11:00 am. At 11:00 am there will be a shared prayer time with both groups. After the prayer time the second Bible study will start and meet in the large nursery to include young children with their mothers. Please sign up for one of these times in the foyer if you would like to attend. If you have questions, please talk to Valerie Lash or Denise O'Neal.

☞ **Save the Date:** The annual hayride and cookout at the Lindborg farm is scheduled for Saturday, September 8. More details to follow but plan to come. This is a wonderful time to invite your friends and a good opportunity to get to know each other better.

Serving the Lord

| | 8/26 | 9/02 | 9/09 |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---|
| AM Nursery | B. Schoon, Mallory V. | S. Lauer, Cordie A. | S.S.-J. Marshall AM Nursery- L. Martin & Emily S. |
| Greeters | Rogers | Jackson G. | Hrivnak |
| Bring Treats | ----- | ----- | Schoon |
| Server & Clean-Up | Drinks – O’Neal | Drinks – Greene | Schoon |
| Children’s Bible Time | A. Lindborg, Elyssa O. | No CBT | L. Hrivnak, Cordie A. |
| | U.1, S.8 Elijah | No CBT | U.1, S.9 Naaman |
| Audio | B. Armstrong w/Jim | B. Schoon w/ Jim | L. Marshall |
| Elder of the Week | Schoon | Lindborg | Schoon |
| Deacon of the Week | Stechly | Lash | Vanderstar |

Offering

| Last 4 weeks 07/29/18 – 08/19/18 | Year to Date 01/01/18 – 08/19/18 | |
|---|---|-------------------------|
| | Offering | Budget |
| \$13,407 | \$96,832 | \$110,391 (\$13,559) |

Building Fund

| Last 4 Weeks 07/29/18 – 08/19/18 | Since Campaign Began 10/20/2013 – 08/19/18 |
|---|---|
| \$0 | \$570,026 |