

September 2nd, 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.

“Our Great God and Savior, Jesus Christ gave Himself for us.”

Titus 2:13-14

Our Great Savior

arr. Torrans

Call to Worship

Matthew 11:25-30

***Hymn of Praise**

Commit Now All Your Grievs

No. 669

Tune: Diademata (*Crown Him with Many Crowns*)

Commit now all your griefs and ways into His hands;
to His sure truth and tender care, who earth and heav'n commands.
Who points the clouds their course, whom winds and seas obey,
He shall direct your wand'ring feet, He shall prepare you way.

Give to the winds your fears; hope, and be undismayed;
God hears your sighs and counts your tears, God shall lift up your head.
Through waves and clouds and storms He gently clears your way;
wait for His time, so shall the night soon end in joyous day.

Still heavy is your heart? Still sink your spirits down?
Cast off the weight, let fear depart, and every care be gone.
He everywhere has sway, and all things serve His might;
His every act pure blessing is, His path unsullied light.

Far, far above your thought His counsel shall appear,
when fully He the work has wrought that caused your needless fear.
Leave to His sovereign will to choose and to command;
with wonder filled, you then shall own how wise, how strong His hand.

***Prayer of Invocation**

Responsive Scripture Reading of *The Ten Commandments*

Exodus 20:1-17

Congregation on bold print

And God spoke all these words:

"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.
You shall have no other gods before Me."

"You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments."

"You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses His name."

"Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your animals, nor the alien within your gates. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but He rested on the seventh day. Therefore, the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy."

"Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you."

"You shall not murder."

"You shall not commit adultery."

"You shall not steal."

"You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor."

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

Prayer of Confession

Most righteous and ever-living God, whose standard is perfection and whose justice punishes sin with consuming fire, I bow before Your majesty and humble myself in Your holy presence. Make me understand that the way of the sinner leads to eternal disaster. Impress Your will on my heart. Grant me true repentance. For Jesus' sake forgive my sins and shortcomings, my ignorance and hardness of heart. Give me grace to pattern my conduct after Your Word. Destroy in me the spirit of pride. Make me realize the seriousness of my sin so that I may humbly throw myself on Your mercy. Preserve me from the spirit of the Pharisee who would make himself more important than others. Help my heart to be merciful to all people. Enable me out of sincere gratitude for sins forgiven to crucify my flesh and to excel in Your service. And by Your mercy grant that I may finally enjoy the light and joy of heaven; for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Acts 3:6-8

⁶ Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” ⁷ Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. ⁸ He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

No. 164

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
‘tis music in the sinner’s ears, ‘tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow’r of reigning sin, He sets the pris’ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list’ning to His voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loosen’d tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed?

arr. Johnson

Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die!
Would He devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!

But drops of grief can ne’er repay the debt of love I owe;
here, Lord, I give myself away, ‘tis all that I can do.

***Chorus of Preparation**

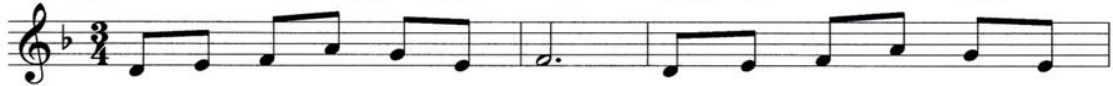
In the Cross Alone I Glory



1. In the cross a - lone I glo - ry, re - cog - ni - tion lay - ing
 2. In the cross a - lone I glo - ry, ev - er reach - ing for the
 3. In the cross a - lone I glo - ry, hold - ing fast the word of
 4. Nev - er will I seek the glo - ry that was nev - er meant for



down. Great - est treas - ures count as worth - less
 prize. Press - ing on and lay - ing hold of
 life. Toil - ing not in vain, but be - ing
 me. Al - ways heav - en - ward re - flect - ing,



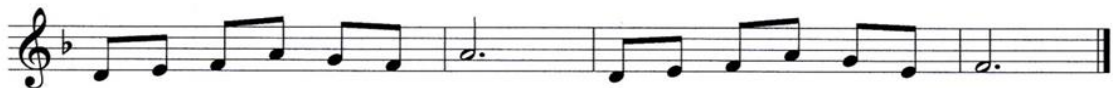
stand - ing next to Heav - en's crowns, stand - ing next to Heav - en's
 that for which my Sav - ior died, that for which my Sav - ior
 poured out as a sac - ri - fice, poured out as a sac - ri -
 all to Je - sus to re - ceive, all to Je - sus to re -



crowns. _____ In the cross a - lone I glo - ry; Noth - ing
 died. _____ In the cross a - lone I glo - ry Noth - ing
 fice. _____ In the cross al - lone I glo - ry, Noth - ing
 ceive. _____ In the cross a - lone I glo - ry; Noth - ing



of my own to give. On - ly that which Christ has of - fered
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for my soul that I may live_ for my soul that I may live.
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***Hymn of Response**

Children of the Heavenly Father

No. 131

Children of the heav'nly Father safely in His bosom gather;
nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.

God His own doth tend and nourish, in His holy courts they flourish;
from all evil things He spares them, in His mighty arms He bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord His children sever;
unto them His grace He showeth, and their sorrows all He knoweth.

Praise the Lord in joyful numbers, your Protector never slumbers;
at the will of your Defender ev'ry foe - man must surrender.

Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.

More secure is no one ever than the loved ones of the Savior;
not yon star on high abiding nor the bird in home-nest hiding.

***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**

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

arr. Behnke

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

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Organ

Scripture Reading & Intercessory Prayer:

Sandy Schoon
Yon Lindborg, Elder

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 9/02	10:30 AM	Worship Service & The Lord's Supper
WED 9/05	10 AM–12 PM	Secretary Hours
SAT 9/08	8:00 AM 6:00 PM	GSPC Men's Study Annual Hayride at Lindborg's farm
SUN 9/09	8:45 AM 9:15 AM 10:30 AM 6:00 PM	Light Breakfast before Sunday School First week of Sunday School Beginning of <i>Gospel-Shaped Living</i> Program Worship Service Prayer Meeting



September Birthdays & Anniversaries

16 th	Arlene Lanenga	23 rd	Alex Vanderstar	28 th	Kendra Vanderstar
30 th	Joan Veenstra				
8 th	Don & Darlene Stam's Anniversary				
10 th	Robert & Maureen Birkett's Anniversary				
13 th	Dean & Sharon Lauer's Anniversary				
20 th	Yon & Alice Lindborg's Anniversary				

Announcements

☞ **The Lord's Supper:** The Lord's Supper will be celebrated today. An offering for the Deacon's Fund will be received at the back of the sanctuary.

☞ **No Children's Bible Time Today:** There will be no Children's Bible Time on the Sundays when The Lord's Supper is scheduled.

☞ **Eddie and Nicole Tregunna:** Cake will be served after the worship service this morning to show appreciation to Eddie and Nicole Tregunna who will be moving to Pennsylvania where Eddie has accepted a new job. Eddie will be starting his new job this week and Nicole and Naomi as they stay in the area until the house is sold.

☞ **Annual Hayride:** Our annual hayride at the Lindborg Farm is scheduled for this Saturday, September 8 from 6-9 pm. Bring sticks, hot dogs to cook over an open fire and a side dish and/or dessert to share. Drinks and paper good will be provided. Bales of hay will be available for seating but bring lawn chairs if you prefer. After the meal, Mr. Lindborg will take us on an adventurous and informative hayride through his beautiful farm. No sign up needed. Just bring friends, a blanket and a flashlight and prepare for fun!

☞ **Sunday School:** Sunday School for all ages begins next Sunday, September 9, with a light breakfast taking the place of Opening Exercises to begin the season. Adult and High School Sunday School will meet together in the sanctuary for a program called ***Gospel-Shaped Living***, led by Bruce Hrivnak, Bryan O'Neal, and Bruce Stoltzfus. Books will be provided. A class list for child and youth classes is on the table in the narthex.

☞ **Different Office Copier:** The five-year lease with Xerox Company expired this month so an updated copier is in the church office which we will lease for the next five years. If you have any questions regarding specifics of this machine, please ask Sandy, church secretary.

☞ **Care Groups:** Elder care groups are forming 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.

☞ **Ladies' Bible Study:** Please sign up this Sunday and next Sunday in the foyer for one of two times being offered this fall. 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. The first seven week will be a time to discuss the daily devotions from the *Gospel Shaped Living* that the whole church will be studying. If you have questions, please talk to Valerie Lash or Denise O'Neal.

Serving the Lord

	9/02	9/09	9/16
AM Nursery	S. Lauer, Cordie A.	S.S.-J. Marshall AM Nursery- L. Martin & Emily S.	S.S.-L. Hrivnak AM Nursery- Y. Lindborg & Sara M.
Greeters	Jackson G.	Hrivnak	O'Neal
Bring Treats	----	Schoon	Lash
Server & Clean-Up	Drinks – Greene	Schoon	Lash
Children's Bible Time	No CBT	L. Hrivnak, Cordie A.	B. Stoltzfus, Emily S.
	No CBT	U.1, S.9 Naaman	U.1, S.10 Esther
Audio	B. Schoon w/ Jim	L. Marshall	B. Armstrong / Jim
Elder of the Week	Lindborg	Schoon	Stoltzfus
Deacon of the Week	Lash	Vanderstar	DeGroot

Offering

Last 4 weeks 08/05/18 – 08/26/18	Year to Date 01/01/18 – 08/26/18	
	Offering	Budget
\$12,656	\$98,335	\$113,737 (\$15,401)

Building Fund

Last 4 Weeks 08/05/18 – 08/26/18	Since Campaign Began 10/20/2013 – 08/26/18
\$0	\$570,026