

**W**elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God’s holy and powerful word. Also,

- ƒ Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- ƒ We love families! Your children are welcome in our service. Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children’s bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- ƒ Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- ƒ If you want to review or share today’s service, you can find it on our website.
- ƒ For upcoming events and activities, “like” us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

**TODAY’S THEME:**

**THE WORK OF GOD IS NOT ALWAYS OBVIOUS, BUT REAL**

**Worship Participants**

**Liturgist**.....Pastor Brian Adams  
**Preacher**..... Pastor Jacob Hoff  
**Organist** ..... Mrs. Sharon Larsen

**OUR WORSHIP SERVICE**

**THE COMMON SERVICE WITH COMMUNION**

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**THE OPENING HYMN ..... “Come, You Thankful People, Come”**

*Christian Worship #613*



1 Come, you thank - ful peo - ple, come; Raise the song of  
 2 All the world is God’s own field, Fruit un - to his  
 3 For the Lord our God shall come And shall take his  
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To your fi - nal



har - vest - home. All be safe - ly gath - ered in  
 praise to yield; Wheat and weeds to - geth - er sown,  
 har - vest home, From his field shall in that day  
 har - vest - home; Gath - er all your peo - ple in,



Ere the win - ter storms be - gin. God our mak - er  
 Un - to joy or sor - row grown. First the blade and  
 All of - fens - es purge a - way, Give his an - gels  
 Free from sor - row, free from sin, There, for - ev - er



shall pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied. Come to  
 then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear. Lord of  
 charge at last In the fire the weeds to cast, But the  
 pu - ri - fied, In your gar - ner to a - bide. Come with



God’s own tem - ple, come; Raise the song of har - vest - home.  
 har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 fruit - ful ears to store In his gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 all your an - gels, come; Raise the glo - rious har - vest - home.

Please Stand

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



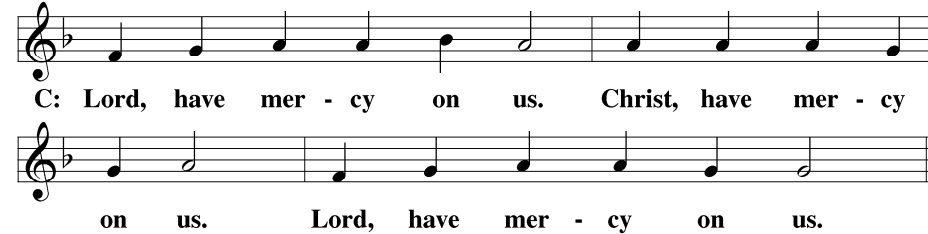
### THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.

### LORD, HAVE MERCY

*Kyrie*



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### GLORY BE TO GOD

*Gloria in Excelsis*



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,  
are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And al - so with you.

**P:** Let us pray.

O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** A - men.

*Please be Seated*

**THE FIRST LESSON .....Ezekiel 17:22-24**

<sup>22</sup> “This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will take a shoot from the very top of a cedar and plant it; I will break off a tender sprig from its topmost shoots and plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup> On the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it; it will produce branches and bear fruit and become a splendid cedar. Birds of every kind will nest in it; they will find shelter in the shade of its branches. <sup>24</sup> All the trees of

the forest will know that I the Lord bring down the tall tree and make the low tree grow tall. I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish.  
“I the Lord have spoken, and I will do it.”

**THE PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 92**  
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*Refrain*

Lord, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

*Psalm tone*

How great are your works, O LORD,\*  
how profound your thoughts!

The senseless man does not know,\*  
fools do not understand,

that though the wicked spring up like grass\*  
and all evildoers flourish,

they will be forever destroyed.\*  
But you, O LORD, are exalted forever.

**Refrain**

The righteous will flourish like a palm tree,\*  
they will flourish in the courts of our God.

*Psalm continues on next page*

They will still bear fruit in old age,\*  
they will stay fresh and green,

proclaiming, “The LORD is upright;  
he is my rock, and there is no wickedness in him.”

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Refrain*



Lord, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

*Psalm tone*



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**THE SECOND LESSON..... Colossians 1:3-8**

<sup>3</sup>We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup>because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God’s people— <sup>5</sup>the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel <sup>6</sup>that has come to you. In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God’s grace. <sup>7</sup>You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, <sup>8</sup>and who also told us of your love in the Spirit.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

P: Alleluia! May your priests be clothed with righteousness; may your saints sing for joy. Alleluia! (*Psalm 132:9*)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

*Please Stand*

**THE GOSPEL LESSON..... Mark 4:26-34**



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

<sup>26</sup>He also said, “This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. <sup>27</sup>Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>All by itself the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. <sup>29</sup>As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come.”

<sup>30</sup>Again he said, “What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. <sup>32</sup>Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.”

<sup>33</sup>With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. <sup>34</sup>He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

**THE NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

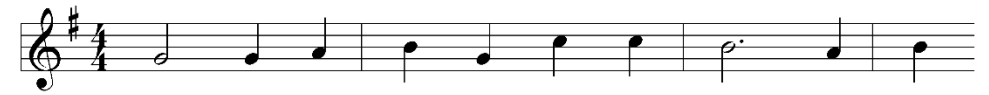
**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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**THE HYMN OF THE DAY..... "Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid"**

*Christian Worship #188*



1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid The world's  
 2 O Source of light, our Coun - sel - or, The Fa -  
 3 Giv - er of grace, de - scend from high In an -  
 4 Im - mor - tal hon - or, end - less fame, At - tend



foun - da - tions first were laid, Come, vis - it  
 ther's help to us as - sure. Come down, as  
 swer to our ear - nest cry. Help us e -  
 th' al - might - y Fa - ther's name; The Sav - ior -



ev - 'ry hum - ble mind; Come, pour your joys on  
 prom - ised, with your fire, And hearts with heav'n - ly  
 ter - nal truths re - ceive And prac - tice all that  
 Son be glo - ri - fied, Who for all hu - man -



hu - man - kind. From sin and sor - row set us  
 love in - spire. Your sa - cred, heal - ing mes - sage  
 we be - lieve. Give us your wis - dom that we  
 kind has died; And e - qual ad - o - ra - tion



free; May we your liv - ing tem - ples be.  
 bring To sanc - ti - fy us when we sing.  
 see The glo - ry of the Trin - i - ty.  
 rise To you, O Spir - it, in the skies.

**THE SERMON .....Ezekiel 17:22-24**

*Please Stand*

## THE SACRAMENT



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

*Please be Seated*

### THE OFFERING

*(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)*

### THE OFFERING PRAYER

*Please Stand*

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

### PREFACE

**P:** The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

**P:** Lift up your hearts



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

**P:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

*Sanctus*



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -

na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -  
 na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

**O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD**

*Agnus Dei*

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
 you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us your peace. A - men.

*Please be Seated*

**DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is a miracle. By God's power, the Lord's body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord's Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord's Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice "close communion." We invite all who are members of St. Paul's or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul's, please feel free to contact one of the pastors.*

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMN ..... "Your Kingdom, O God"

Christian Worship Supplement #755



1 Your king-dom, O God, is my glo - ri - ous trea - sure, My  
 2 Your king-dom, O God, is a - live with the pow - er Your  
 3 Your king-dom, O God, is a field for the grow - ing Of



pearl of in - com - p'ra - ble worth. Its  
 Word and your Spir - it be - stow. Like  
 seeds that your mer - cy has sown, But



val - ue ex - ceeds ev - 'ry stand - ard of mea - sure, Sur -  
 yeast, they af - fect the whole mea - sure of flour, En -  
 still in our midst is the en - e - my sow - ing The



pass - ing the wealth of the earth. Lord,  
 a - bling your king - dom to grow. Em -  
 weeds that im - per - il your own. Sus -



give me your grace and the pow'r of the Spir - it To  
 pow - er me, Lord, as I live your com - mis - sion, Though  
 tain me, O Lord, till your day of re - turn - ing And



val - ue this trea - sure a - right That,  
 hum - ble my ser - vice may be, And  
 har - vest me home - ward at last, To

Hymn continues on next page



nev - er al - lured by the world, I in - her - it Your  
 bring ev - 'ry plant - ing to per - fect fru - i - tion, A  
 shine in the home - land that qui - ets all yearn - ing, Where



king - dom of glo - ry and light.  
 mus - tard seed grown to a tree.  
 sor - row and dan - ger are past.

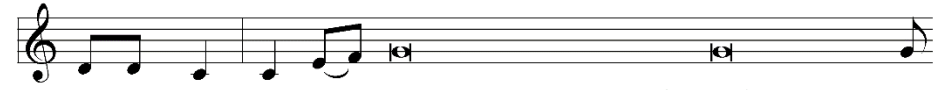
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SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac - cord - ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre -

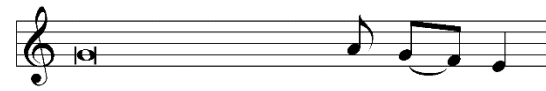


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.



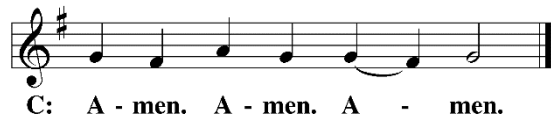
### CLOSING PRAYER

**P:** We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

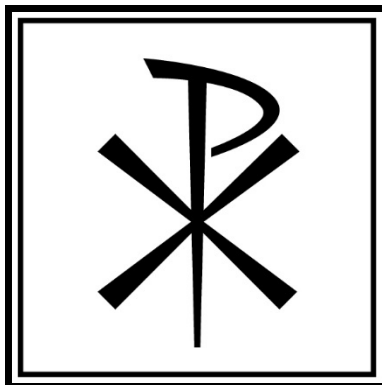


### THE BLESSING

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



*Please be Seated*



### THE CLOSING HYMN..... "On What Has Now Been Sown"

*Christian Worship #322*



1 On what has now been sown Your bless - ing, Lord, be -  
2 To you our wants are known; From you are all our  
3 Oh, grant that each of us Now met be - fore you



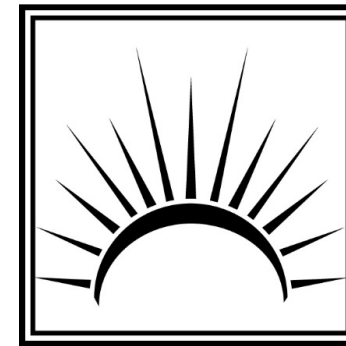
stow; The pow'r is yours a - lone To make it  
pow'rs. Ac - cept what is your own And par - don  
here May meet to - geth - er thus When you and



spring and grow. O Lord, in grace the har - vest  
what is ours. Our prais - es, Lord, and prayers re -  
yours ap - pear And fol - low you to heav'n, our



raise And you a - lone shall have the praise!  
ceive And to your Word a bless - ing give.  
home. E'en so, A - men! Lord Je - sus, come!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** This weekend's altar flowers are given by Larry & Marion Klug in thanksgiving for their 12<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**CHURCH PICNIC:** Mark your calendars. Our Church Picnic will be next Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. It will begin at 11:30 am. There will be activities and games for all. Brats, hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. We ask that people bring a dish to pass. We look forward to seeing you there!

**VOTER'S MEETING:** There will be a Voter's Meeting on Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM. Items to be discussed are: Budget for 18-19, election of board members, and other business as needed. We encourage all voting members to attend.

**PRESCHOOL AIDE POSITION OPENING:** St. Paul's is in need of an Aide for our 3K program for the 2018-2019 school year. This exciting position works with our youngest students and many of our newest families. The Aide position is a part of our PreK team, mostly working with Mrs. Patti Krizan in the morning as support in the education of our students. Persons of interest should have some experience with young children, a desire to work as a member of an important education team, and be available from 7:30 am until 1 pm Monday through Friday during the school year. Any interest or questions please contact the principal, Nathan Schulmeister, at [nschulmeister@stpaulsfranklin.org](mailto:nschulmeister@stpaulsfranklin.org).

**NEW SUMMER BIBLE CLASS:** *This Is What The Lord Says* ~ In this ten week class we will crack open the Bible and see what God has to say about himself. It is an opportunity to ask questions of God and let him answer through the pages of the Bible. This class could be a great next step for you. If you have been coming to St. Paul's for a while and want to know what the next step for church membership is - this class is for you. If you have unanswered questions about God, who he is and how he operates - this class is for you. If you've been a life-long Christian and want a refresh on lessons you learned a long time ago - this class is for you. If you've got someone in your life who doesn't know or believe in Jesus and you don't feel confident sharing Jesus all by yourself - this class is a perfect opportunity to invite that person to come and see and know Jesus. It will be held on Sunday mornings after second service (**10:45am**). The class will begin on **July 15th**. If you are interested, we'd love to have you join us! If you have questions, let Pastor Hoff know.

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR VACATION BIBLE CAMP (VBC):** We are looking for donation of a few items for craft projects for VBC. If there's anything you'd like to donate, please label it and leave it in the multi-purpose room. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Adams at 423-1445 or [njadams86@yahoo.com](mailto:njadams86@yahoo.com). If you would like to help with a monetary donation, it would also be appreciated. Please give any monetary gifts to one of the pastors. The items needed are:

- Wine corks (straight)
- Patterned scrapbook paper (scraps and small pieces are ok)
- Wooden skewers
- \* Colorful Pony beads or other shaped beads
- \* Cotton balls

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION:** It's time to register for Vacation Bible Camp, held July 9-13, 2018! Please see the registration form in today's bulletin, or you can register on our website, [www.stpaulsfranklin.org](http://www.stpaulsfranklin.org). There are extra copies on the narthex counter to pass along to friends!

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP HELP:** We can still use more help for our Vacation Bible Camp this summer! Please see the forms on the narthex counter for more information on how you can help. Vacation Bible Camp is July 9-13<sup>th</sup>.

**WELS NIGHT AT MILLER PARK:** Back for another year, we are excited to announce the fifth annual WELS Night, which is scheduled for Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mark your calendars and plan to join thousands of WELS members for an evening at Miller Park to watch the Brewers take on the Rockies. Tickets for WELS members are discounted up to 50% and are reserved together in a block. We would like to order tickets in a block for St. Paul's, so that we can sit together in the Field Outfield section. Tickets are \$21.00 each. You can also order a WELS Night T-shirt! There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex counter – please sign up by July 13<sup>th</sup>.

## VOLUNTEERS

### GREETERS FOR THIS WEEK (June 17 & 18)

- 8:00 AM** – Bob & Sue Dittrich
- 9:30 AM** – Mark & Rosie Derouin
- 6:30 PM** – Richard & Kathy Hinz

**GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (June 24 & 25)**

- 8:00 AM – Randy & Nancy Willms
- 9:30 AM – Larry & Marion Klug
- 6:30 PM – Donna LaBlanc

**USHERS FOR JUNE**

- 8:00 AM – TEAM #2 – Bob Goelz, Larry McKee, Tony Tripoli, Steve Mess
- 9:30 AM – TEAM #6 – Nick Derouin, Mark Derouin, Connor Henry, Bob Duchesneau
- 6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

**ALTAR GUILD**

- June 13-19 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer
- June 20-26 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

**REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE**

- June 17: Set-up – John & Jean Terek, Clean-up – Chris & Naomi Hathaway
- June 24: Set-up – Tony Tripoli & Connie Myer, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug

**GRASS CUTTING:**

- June 20-23 – TEAM #3 – Jerry Lehtinen & Gary Totic
- June 27-30 – TEAM #4 – Frank Krajewski

**THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, June 17**

- Worship Service .....8:00 AM
- Worship Service .....9:30 AM

**Monday, June 18**

- Worship Service .....6:30 PM
- School Cleaning (move classrooms in).....6:30 PM

**Wednesday, June 20**

- Church Council .....6:30 PM
- Men’s Open Gym .....7:30 PM

**Sunday, June 24**

- Worship Service .....8:00 AM
- Worship Service .....9:30 AM
- Church Picnic.....11:30 AM

**Statistics – Last Week**

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 88, 9:30 AM – 120, 6:30 PM – 50  
 Total Attendance – 258