

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 394 (26, 368) **Communion:**226 (17, 209)
Bible Study: 103 (15, 5, 15, 25, 32, 3. 8) **Youth Study:** 11

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Pre-K and Kind. Graduation, gym
10:45 a.m. School Play and Awards
11:45 a.m. School Picnic Meal, games following
Tuesday 2:00 p.m. Bible Study, church
2:00 p.m. Pray and Play Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Bread for Life Bible Study
Wednesday 7:30 p.m. 8th Grade Graduation, gym
Thursday 10:00 a.m. Naomi Circle. church
1:00 p.m. Fun Day
7:30 p.m. Ascension Worship
8:30 p.m. Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
Saturday 10:00 a.m. Financial Peace University, commons
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
8:00 a.m. Commons Bible Study, commons
9:00 a.m. Worship with communion
10:00 a.m. Choir

School Picnic Join us in the gym after worship on Sunday for the school picnic. The events and approximate times are listed in the calendar above.

Tuesday Bible Study will continue the study, *Christ* this Tuesday. Our third lesson is “Jesus was Humbled and Exalted to Redeem Us.” Join us!

Adult Christ-Light Bible Study will meet this Thursday after worship. We will also meet Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. Join us!

Commons Bible Study meets Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. Next week we will study, *Great Gospel Events In the Life of Elijah and Elisha: God Steps in to Call*. Join us!

Pray and Play Bible study will meet Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in the Kindergarten room.

Bread of Life Women’s Study will meet Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the school.

Graduation The graduation service for the 8th grade class of our school will be this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the gym.

Naomi Circle will meet Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the church basement.

Ascension Festival Worship will be this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Along with Christmas and Easter, Ascension is the one of the festival of our Savior. Join us as we reflect on the meaning of his Ascension for us today. Communion will not be a part of our worship on Ascension.

Timber Rattlers The deadline to sign up for the Timber Rattlers game is May 22. Sign up sheets are in the basement. The game is on June 28 at 1:05 p.m. The cost is \$6.50 per person. We only have 50 tickets reserved so once they are gone they are gone.

3rd Kalahari Family Retreat There are only 2 rooms yet available for our Kalahari resort weekend trip March 5-7, 2010. If you are interested, please speak to Mr. Humann. The deadline to sign up is May 22.

Choir will practice after worship next Sunday, May 24.

Softball Tournament The deadline to sign up for our third annual softball tournament is June 7. Details and registration forms are in the church basement. The tournament will be June 27.

Band will meet after worship on May 31 and June 7 to prepare for Music in the Park.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:

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6th Sunday of Easter

May 14 & 17, 2009

Prayer before worship

Lord, as we journey through this week of weeks, help me to see the power and meaning of your resurrection.. Amen

THURSDAY

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52)

Hymns: 411, 377, 491

Psalm Prayer

Lord Jesus, by your gracious coming into the world you destroyed death and made all things new. Grant that we may never tire of proclaiming your salvation to the ends of the earth; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Lessons are on the back cover

Psalm: Psalm 98 (p. 103)

Sermon: Acts 9:36-42

Display Your Discipleship

Tabitha’s display

Peter’s display

SUNDAY

Service: Word (p. 36)

Hymns: 411, 377, 719, 491

Prayer of the Day

Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those things that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Special Music: Grades 3-4

This Is Love For God (in place of the Verse of the day)

6th Sunday of Easter-Series B

Christ for us aims at visible results that show the life of Christ in us.

First Lesson: Acts 9:36-42

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called the believers and the widows and presented her to them alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 98 (page 103)

Second Lesson: 1 John 4:1-11

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. They are from the world and therefore speak from the viewpoint of the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God

does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Special Music *This is Love For God* (grades 3-4) (in place of the Verse of the Day on Sunday)

How can I show my love for God, who gave his Son for me? How can I thank my Jesus, whose great love has made me free? God says: If you love me, you will obey what I command. If you love me, you will obey. So then this is love for God: to obey his commands. I will ask him to help me to obey.

Gospel: John 15:9-17

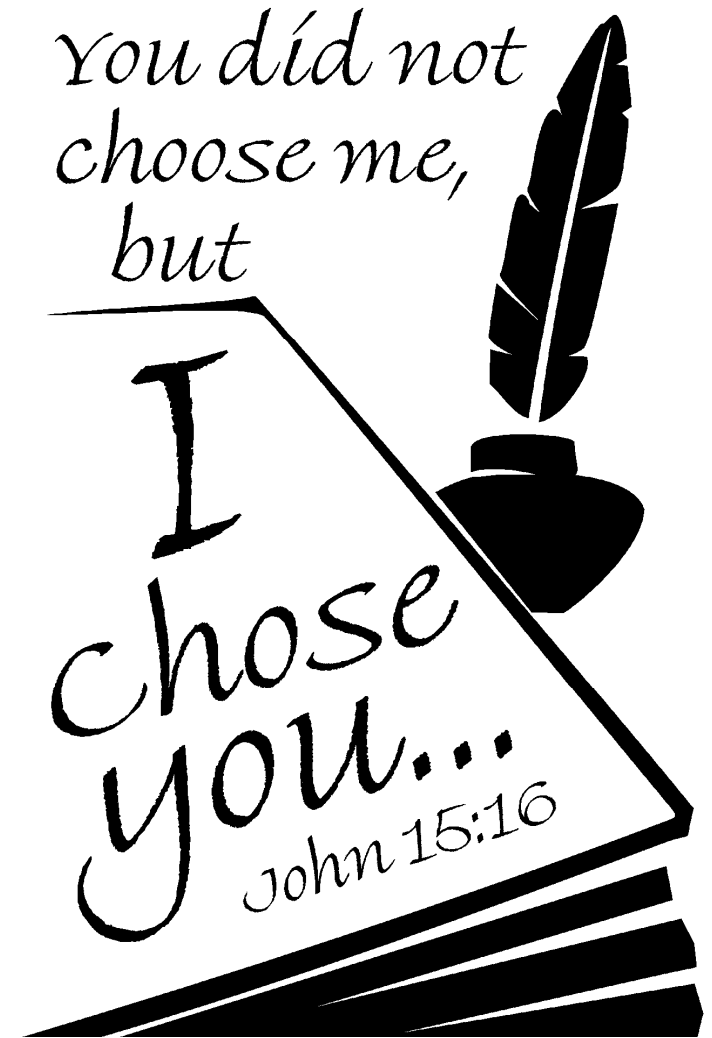
As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit--fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. This is my command: Love each other.



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Our mission is to honor God as we help people Grow in the Gospel and Go with the Gospel



Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Please sign our guest book near the double door entrance. Restrooms are in the basement near the double stairs.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.