

# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 3, 2018 - 10:45 AM



*Deuteronomy makes clear that sabbath-keeping is meant for the welfare of all. God delivered the Israelites out of slavery, so they should not ever work anyone else seven days a week. Even slaves should be able to rest; even resident aliens. Yet human beings can turn even the most liberating religious practice into a life-destroying rule. Jesus does not reject sabbath-keeping, but defends its original life-enhancing meaning. Our worship and our religious way of life are to lead to the hungry being fed and the sick being healed.*

## G.I.F.T. Zone Opportunity For Parents & Young Children

We introduce our kid-friendly worship experience, located in the left-hand transept area of the main sanctuary. For families who wish to take advantage of the G.I.F.T. Zone, there is child-friendly worship furniture plus adult chairs for parents. Feel free to sit in the special area throughout the service with your child - or come to the area with your child following the Children's Message. During this middle section of the service, Deacon Lexanne Graves will be in the area to guide parents and children through activities to help our youngest worshipers follow the readings, sermon, hymn, creed, and prayers. This is an awesome way to keep children engaged in worship with the whole congregation - and learn the liturgy until they are able to worship in the pews for the entire service. We offer the G.I.F.T. Zone so that parents may share the worship experience with their children in a meaningful, stress-free way. At the 10:45 service, our nursery is also available for ages 0 - 3 (for those yet unable to benefit from the G.I.F.T. Zone activities.)



Kid Friendly Worship Experience



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## GATHERING MUSIC

"Gather Us In"

ELW #532

*As we gather, we remain seated and join in singing to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.*

*Baptismal Anniversaries: Corin Wiggins (6/3); Maddie McCormick (6/9)*

*(Individuals meet the Pastor at the font for a special blessing in recognition of their anniversary.)*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*(Silence for reflection - we kneel as able)*

Pastor: Eternal God our creator,

**People: in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God ✚ forgives you all your sins.

**People: Amen.**

## ENTRANCE HYMN

"Beautiful Savior"

ELW #838



## APOSTOLIC GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: **Amen.**

*We are seated*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Seminarian Christopher Girardeau

*Children, youth, and young at heart are invited to gather on the steps for a special message. Toddlers may be accompanied by parents. All may bring forward coins or dollars for the bucket collection (currently RICH Learning Summer Art & Reading Camp). Following the message, young children and parent(s) are invited to the G.I.F.T. Zone for special activities that help young ones participate in worship through the middle portion of the service. As the children gather, we sing:*

Children of God, sing your song and rejoice for the love that He has given us all. Oh, children of God, by the blood of His son we have been redeemed and we can be called children of God. Children of God.

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## FIRST READING

Lector: A reading from Deuteronomy.

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

*(Deuteronomy 5:12-15)*

Lector: Word of God, Word of life.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 81:1-10

Lector: Sing with joy to God our strength  
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

**People: Raise a song and sound the timbrel,  
the merry harp, and the lyre.**

Lector: Blow the ram's horn at the new moon,  
and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

**People: for this is a statute for Israel,  
a law of the God of Jacob.**

Lector: God laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the land of Egypt,  
where I heard a voice I did not know:

**People: "I eased your shoulder from the burden;  
your hands were set free from the gravedigger's basket.**

Lector: You called on me in trouble, and I delivered you;  
I answered you from the secret place of thunder  
and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

**People: Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you:  
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

Lector: There shall be no strange god among you;  
you shall not worship a foreign god.

**People: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.  
Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.**

## SECOND READING

Lector: A reading from 2 Corinthians.

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. (*2 Corinthians 4:5-12*)

Lector: Word of God, Word of life.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*We stand for the reading of the Gospel*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL LESSON

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Pastor: One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him. *(Mark 2:23--3:6)*

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We are seated*

**SERMON**

Rev. Eric Fink

*We stand as able*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*"The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing"*

ELW #531



## WELCOMING OF MEMBERS

Pastor: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these sisters and brothers, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

Pastor: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Pastor: In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Pastor: Sisters and brothers in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

Response: *I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.*

Pastor: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

**People: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

Pastor: Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith.

**People: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

*Members receive a welcome basket from the congregation.*

**WELCOME!**

*We stand as able*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Assist: Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves.

*+ A brief silence +*

Assist: God our strength, you command your people to keep sabbath. Coax your church away from the busyness of the world and give us holy rest, so that, refreshed, we will give vibrant witness to your world-healing love. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Assist: God our strength, you restore what is withered. As all creation stretches forth in hunger and thirst for you, revive what has ceased to flourish and repair what has fallen into decay. Make us partners in your holy healing. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Assist: God our strength, we ache for peace. Teach nations that you carry our burdens, you free human hands, and you rescue us in distress. Raise up leaders in the world who listen to your voice and walk in your ways. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Assist: God our strength, people are afflicted and perplexed, persecuted and struck down. Shine the light of your glory into the hearts of your suffering ones so that they will not be crushed, driven to despair, or forsaken. We pray especially for: *Eleanor Christy; Rocky Berger; Bob Jorgensen; Linda Hayes; Stephanie Joyner; Steve Bowen; Virginia Bloss; Melissa Edwards; Patti Appleton; Lenora Welsher; Tina O'Leary; and those we name before you now, either silently or aloud....* Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Assist: God our strength, you grieve our hardness of heart whenever we turn your holy counsel into rules to control others. Open our hearts to your loving will for these times, for our neighbors, and for this community of faith. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Assist: God our strength, death is at work in us, but life is in you. Free us now to live into your promise of indestructible life and, in the end, restore us with all the saints especially the Martyrs of Uganda and John XXIII, bishop of Rome, whom we commemorate today. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Assist: By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**



## PEACE IS SHARED

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**People: And also with you.**

*We greet one another, with the words that the risen Jesus spoke to his disciples: "Peace be with you."*

*We are seated*

## THANKSGIVING MOMENT

## OFFERINGS ARE GIVEN

## MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

*We stand as able*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

*"Praise God Whom All Blessing Flow"*



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all



crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye



heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Assist: Let us pray.

**People: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**Pastor:** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering therefore his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Spirit of love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Pastor:** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**People: 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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

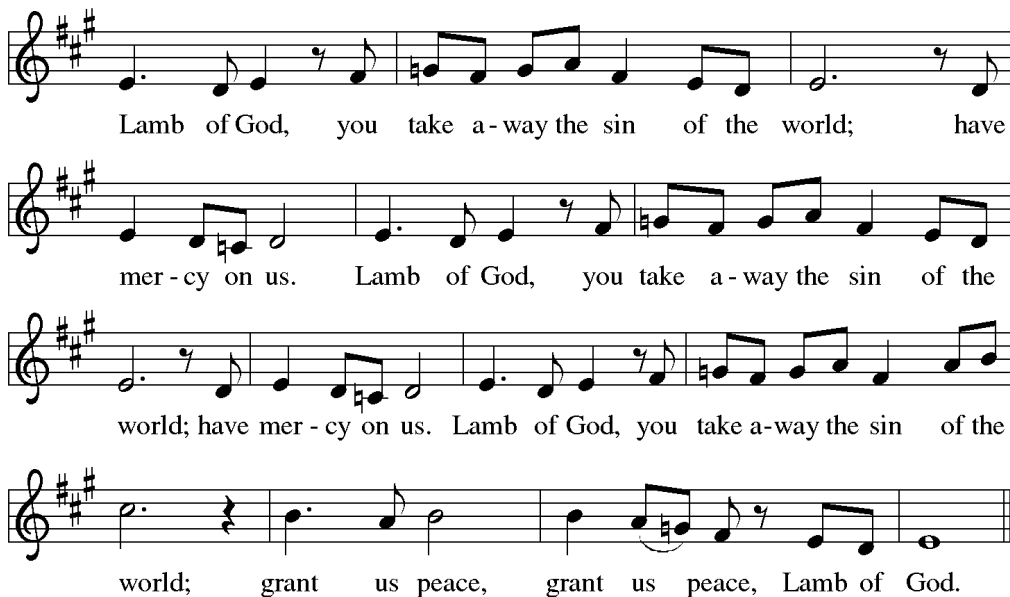
**Pastor:** Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



We are seated

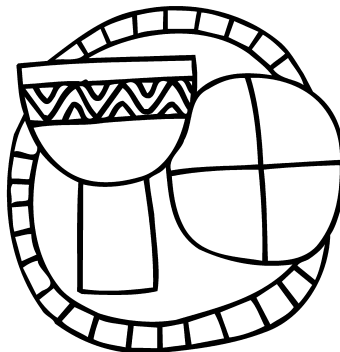
## LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*This meal is the Lord's Supper of grace and is open to ALL Christians of any background or denomination. As Lutheran Christians, we believe in **Christ's true presence** in, with, and under the elements. We invite you to have your name tag visible so that the ministers may include **your name** as they offer you the elements. Communion at Living Springs is by **intinction** (bread is dipped into the wine or grape juice). In response to the words, "Body of Christ, given for you. Blood of Christ, shed for you," each worshipper may respond with, "**Amen.**" If you require a **gluten free wafer**, please let your worship assistant know so they can accommodate you. Each chalice contains two compartments: wine is located in the larger compartment, while **alcohol-free grape juice** is located in the smaller compartment for those who require it. After receiving the elements, you are welcome to remain kneeling at the rail for meditation and prayer (others may simply fill in the open spaces). **Children** who have not received communion instruction are invited to come forward for a special blessing. Simply fold your hands to indicate you would like to receive the blessing.*



## DISTRIBUTION SONG

"Come As You Are "

*Come out of sadness from wherever you've been.  
Come, broken-hearted, let rescue begin.  
Come find your mercy. O sinner come kneel:  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal,  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.*

*Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.  
All who are broken lift up your face.  
O wanderer, come home; you're not too far.  
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.*

*There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed:  
Come sit at the table, come taste the grace.  
There's rest for the weary, rest that endures.  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure.*

*Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.  
All who are broken lift up your face.  
O wanderer, come home; you're not too far.  
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.*

*Come as you are. Fall in His arms. Come as you are.*

*There's joy for the morning. O sinner, be still.  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.  
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal.*

*Lay down your burdens, lay down your shame.  
All who are broken lift up your face.  
O wanderer, come home; you're not too far.  
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart, come as you are.*

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*We stand after all have received communion*

## **EUCCHARISTIC BLESSING & PRAYER**

**Pastor:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in his grace.

**People:** **Amen**

**Assist:** Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

**People:** **Amen**

## **BENEDICTION**

**Pastor:** May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**People:** **Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN**

*"Go, Make Disciples"*

ELW #450

## **DISMISSAL**

**Assist:** Do Justice! Love Kindness! Walk Humbly with God!  
Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**



### **✚ COMMEMORATIONS FOR TODAY ✚**

#### **The Martyrs of Uganda, died 1886**

On June 3, 1886, thirty-two young men were burned to death for refusing to renounce Christianity. The confident manner in which these Christians went to their deaths contributed to a much stronger Christian presence in Uganda.

#### **John XXIII, Bishop of Rome, died 1963**

When elected pope, the former Angelo Roncalli was expected to be a short-term caretaker. He showed great spirit, though, and convened the Second Vatican Council which helped bring great changes to Roman Catholic and other churches.

## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

### *Holy How?*

As children, the brother and sister had very different relationships with sabbath. Under the thumb and eye of Aunt Jose, who lived with them, the sabbath was a day of tyrannical prohibitions for the sister. Aunt Jose's piety employed the third commandment with the unbending sharpness of the hat pin that attached felt and feathers to her wisps of hair every Sunday morning for services. Rules and their keeping did not plague the brother, however. Enduring chronic Sunday loneliness when friends and neighbors disappeared into activities and adventures that didn't include him was what made sabbath a dreaded day.

It wasn't whether the sabbath was or was not holy that distanced the Pharisees and Jesus from one another; it was how the sabbath would be holy that marked their miles of separation.

Sabbath, ending or beginning? Sabbath, seventh day or first day? Sabbath, law or gospel? Sabbath, restriction or freedom? Sabbath, receive or give? Sabbath, pray or work? Sabbath, must or may? Sabbath, holy how?

The debates in the grain fields and the synagogue are a radical disagreement, but not a contest pitting hunger and disease against feeding and healing. They are about how to steward the gifts God puts in our hands.

To steward sabbath only as culmination, the last day of creation, tempts us to remove ourselves from participation in God's ever-creative activity in the world. To steward sabbath only as preparation, the beginning of seven days, tempts us to imagine that the work of creation depends wholly on our own activity.

Sabbath is God's gift of grace so that we may rest from the clamoring of anxieties, illusions, and urgencies to do what we need not or cannot do. Sabbath is God's gift of grace that we may rise to greet every day as holy, to feed and to be fed, to heal and to be healed.

Observe the sabbath day and keep it as a holy how.



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# THANK YOU FOR SERVING TODAY!

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Ann Lynn Caughman



## Pentecost Seasonal

### Emphasis

*Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!  
Isaiah 6:3*

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## **WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP THIS DAY!**

*We greet all who worship in the name of the Risen Savior!*

*May the Spirit speak to your heart the message of God's redeeming love for everyone,  
through the grace shown to the world in Jesus.*

*We gather as a community of disciples. Our center is Jesus Christ,  
and we are here to know and share the blessing of his forgiving, healing hand.*

*If you have any questions about our congregation, please call 736-0661,  
drop by our office (M - F 8:30-4:30) or visit our website at [www.livingspringscolumbia.org](http://www.livingspringscolumbia.org).*

**WELCOME GUESTS!** – We are especially blessed by your presence today and look forward to worshipping with you again. Please take time to fill out the blue slip in your bulletin and/or sign the welcome book in the narthex. New members are always welcome into our congregation. To learn more about becoming part of Christ's family of faith here at Living Springs, please contact the office (736-0661) or Pastor Eric (917-2749).

**BULLETIN BLUE SLIPS** - may be completed and placed in the offering plate for prayer requests, guest information, address/phone updates, and a record of communing. Members, please complete at least one blue slip during 2018 to ensure we have a record of your communing.

**SEASONAL NAME TAG** – In order to show hospitality, we ask everyone to stop by the table under the portico and complete a name tag with our seasonal scripture verse. The tags allow everyone to use names as we share the Peace - and allow communion ministers to speak your name (*please make sure your name is visible when you come to the altar rail*).

**RESTROOMS** – are located in the Administration Building on both levels. Greeters/ushers will be happy to show you the way. Main level restrooms are equipped with diaper changing stations. For your child's safety, please accompany them when they leave the Sanctuary to use the restrooms.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS** - are now available, please see an usher or greeter.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE** – The ushers have headsets which will amplify the sound for you. Please return to an usher or leave in the pew at the conclusion of the service.

**GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS & ALCOHOL-FREE GRAPE JUICE**– are available during communion, for those who desire either.

**G.I.F.T. ZONE** - is a special area in our worship space for parents and young children who wish to worship together with more child-friendly furniture and special resources to utilize during worship.

**CHILDREN'S BULLETINS** – are distributed during the children's sermon.

**NURSERY** – is available for infants-3 years old during the 10:45 Worship Service; located downstairs in the preschool in the Education Building. Greeters/Ushers will be happy to assist you.

**CHILD SAFETY** – is very important to us, so we ask at least 1 adult to accompany your child if he/she leaves the Sanctuary during worship. Please do not allow children to play on the playground without parental supervision. During the week, church doors are kept locked to maintain security for our Preschool. Please ring the intercom by the office doors to check in.

**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME** – is held each week following the 8:15 service and prior to the 10:45 service, inside the education building.

**OUR PRAYER MINISTRY** – As a community of disciples, we pray for one another and others - not just in times of illness, but also for praise, thanksgiving, and forgiveness. If you have a prayer request, simply fill out the bulletin blue sheet and place in the offering plate (or call/email the office). Please indicate if your request is for public or private prayer.