

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- We do our best to answer your phone calls weekday mornings.
- You may be directed to our automated answering service at other times.
- We strive to provide access to the church building during office hours through our callbox in the rear of the church building.
- Please call ahead and inquire about building access if you are coming after 2:00 p.m.

WEEKLY DEADLINE for information to be included in the Sunday Update and Sunday bulletin, is Tuesday at noon.

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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 19, 2018
10:30 a.m. Worship

Please silence your cell phones and conversations and prepare your hearts and minds for an encounter with the Living God.
Bolded text is read or sung by all. *Please rise in body or spirit.

COME

Opening Voluntary Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus Richard Hillert

*Call to Worship Cindy Weiss

In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.

We worship, alive to the Word of God.

You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant, ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

We listen, alive to the Word of God.

You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom, sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet, but always dwelling among us.

We watch and wait for the Word of God.

*Hymn 324 Open My Eyes that I May See Open My Eyes



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ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

God of love and justice, we long for peace within and peace beyond. We long for harmony in our families, for serenity in the midst of struggle. We long for the day when our homes will be a dwelling place for your love. Yet we confess that we are often anxious, we do not trust each other, and we harbor violence. We are not willing to take the risks and make the sacrifices that love requires. Look upon us with kindness and grace. Rule in our homes and in all the world; show us how to walk in your paths, through the mercy of our Savior. Amen.

Silence is observed.

Response 574 Lord, *Kyrie*
Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Response 567 *Gloria Patri*
Glory 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. Amen. Amen.

*Passing the Peace
Greet both friends and strangers saying, **The peace of Christ be with you.**

Calendar of Church Building Events For August 19 - 26, 2018

Sunday, 8/19

8:30 a.m. Early Morning Worship (Johnstone Patio)
10:00 a.m. Child Care Center Opens
10:30 a.m. Worship (Wright-Herberich Hall)
11:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship (Wright-Herberich Hall)
11:30 a.m. Worship (106)

Monday, 8/20

7:00 p.m. No Activities Planned

Tuesday, 8/21

9:30 a.m. Prayer Quilt Ministry (Wright Herbrecht Hall)

Wednesday, 8/22

4:00 p.m. Bridges/Circles (Tween Room, Kitchen, Library)

Thursday, 8/23

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting (Library)
12:00 p.m. Bible Study (Room 106)

Friday, 8/24

No Activities Planned

Saturday, 8/25

10:00 a.m. Pride Festival Setup (Hardesty Park)
11:00 a.m. Pride Festival March (Highland Square)
12:00 p.m. Pride Festival at the Park (Hardesty Park)

Sunday, 8/26

8:30 a.m. Early Morning Worship/Communion (Johnstone Patio)
10:00 a.m. Child Care Center Opens
10:30 a.m. Worship (Wright-Herberich Hall)
11:30 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship (Wright-Herberich Hall)
11:30 a.m. Bible Story Room Teacher Meeting
12:00 p.m. Youth Pool Party (Youth Room)

COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

SUMMER WORSHIP AND COMMUNION The next early service Communion will be administered on August 26.

THE INFINITE LEGACY PROJECT is grateful for Westminster's strong support of this outreach. To read more about the ILP, we encourage you to visit the following link:

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/expanded-thought-potent-creative-education-realized-suzanne-winland/>

ACME CASH BACK PROGRAM has resumed. Please ask family and friends to save Acme receipts from August 9 – December 29, 2018. Drop the receipts in the boxes at the church doors. The Presbyterian Women earn 5% on all Acme products purchased and use the proceeds to support missions. Thank you for your support.

OUR MUSICIAN today is David Foerster. David graduated from Concordia University, Seward, NE with a B.S. After serving a Lutheran parish in Milwaukee, he completed his Masters at Wittenberg and came to Akron. He served Zion Lutheran, Trinity Lutheran and Fairlawn West UCC before his marketing career's travel requirements forced a stop to regular organist duties. In retirement, he enjoys serving in a substitute capacity, most recently completing a six-month interim at Akron's First Congregational Church. He especially likes to sub at Westminster.

Time for Church Life

Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to those seated near you. If you are the last person to sign on that page, please tear it out and leave it on the pew for the ushers to pick up after the service.

Offertory His Eye Is on the Sparrow Charles Gabriel
Stacy Franzmann, *soloist*

*Response 592 *Doxology*
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Time with Young Disciples

After the Time with Young Disciples, 3 through 6 year-olds are invited to the Nursery for age-appropriate activities. Grades K-8 will stay in worship with their family.

GROW

Prayer for Illumination

The First Lesson Psalm 111:1-10
Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 562

*Hymn 282 If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee
Wer nur den Lieben Gott

The Second Lesson 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14
Pew Bible, Old Testament Pgs. 304 - 306

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon The Gift of Discernment The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith

The Spirit renews our hearts and moves us to faith, leads us into truth, and helps us to pray, stands by us in our need, and makes our obedience fresh and vibrant. God the Spirit lavishes gifts on the church in astonishing variety. Sent by the Spirit, the church is thrust into the world, ambassadors of God’s peace, announcing forgiveness and reconciliation, proclaiming the good news of grace. Men and women, impelled by the Spirit, go next door and far away, into science and art, media and marketplace - every area of life, pointing to the reign of God with what they do and say.

Prayers of the People, Silent Reflection and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn 314 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song Bridegroom

*Charge and Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Welcome to our worship this morning!

Stay with us after worship today for coffee and fellowship in Wright-Herberich Hall.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS, CHILDREN’S BIBLES AND ACTIVITY BOXES are available. Please ask an usher.

Service Information:

Head Usher: Dave Stobbs
Supporting Ushers: Barbara Thackeray, Joan Buehl, Bill Bramley, Donna and Dan Gorrington and Linda Stobbs.

THE FLOWERS on the Pedestal were given by Tiffany Campbell in loving memory of her father Paul Campbell.

Monthly Finance Report

July 2018	Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$45,573.33	\$46,633.29	\$353,345.25	**\$380,003.03
Total Expenses	\$48,074.23	\$59,785.89	\$340,841.88	\$392,983.86
Net	(\$2,500.90)	(\$13,152.60)	\$12,503.37	(\$12,980.83)

**Budgeted total revenues include anticipated withdrawals from Rowley investments necessary to balance the budget totaling \$53,801 for the year.

Please contact the Finance Office if you would like a copy of the financial report detail for the period ending July 31, 2018.