

A **hike** is being organized by Sarah and Doug Shults. Meet at the church this afternoon at 2:30 if you would like to come along!

Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, September 25, at 6:00 PM. The reading assignment is: Numbers 11:4–6, 10–16, 24–29; Psalm 19:7–14; James 5:13–20; Mark 9:38–50.

All are invited to join the weekly **Prayer Group** on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM.

Choir rehearsal is Wednesday evenings at 6:00 PM.

Elder – Susan Chambers
Bulletins – Nellie Pate
Nursery – Denise Rose & Kendell Hensley

WELCOME VISITORS

If you are visiting, we are pleased to have you share in our worship and invite you to consider membership. Please sign an ORANGE visitor's card and then place it in the offering plate. Following the service, the pastor will be happy to speak with you about any concerns. Prayer requests are welcomed by all.



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September 23, 2018

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Stan Webster, Minister

People: **And also with you.**

Welcome & Concerns of the Congregation

Prelude “His Eye is On the Sparrow”

Cheryl Wissmann, Organist

Introit

*Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 1:1-6

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,

or take the path that sinners tread,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

but their delight is in the law of the Lord,

and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees

planted by streams of water,

which yield their fruit in its season,

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked will perish.

*Hymn “Come, Thou Almighty King”

Green Hymnbook, #8

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

(By All)

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. And now, dear Lord, hear the prayers deep within the silence of our hearts

Silent Prayer

Declaration of Forgiveness

* “Glory Be To The Father”

Red Hymnbook, #546

*Apostles’ Creed

Red Hymnbook, page 12

Anthem “Open Thou Mine Eyes”

Soloist: Valerya Hyrne

Congregational Reading

James 3:13-18, 4:7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you?

Show by your good life

that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom.

But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth.

Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish.

For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind.

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.

And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Submit yourselves therefore to God.

Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Minute for Mission

Dean Masters

Young Disciples’ Message

*Hymn “What Wondrous Love Is This”

Green Hymnbook, #314

Prayer for Illumination

The Written Word (*Pew Bible page 42*)

Mark 9:30-37

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

The Spoken Word

“True Status”

Prayer of Supplication & Intercession

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.

Stewardship Invitation

Offertory

*The Doxology

Red Hymnbook, #544

*Prayer of Dedication & Thanksgiving

*Hymn “The Old Rugged Cross”

Green Hymnbook, #327

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

(By All)

**Glory to God,
Whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son,
Whose grace had pardoned me,
And to the Spirit,
Whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

*Postlude

**Please stand, as you are able.*