

## April 29, 2018

*During Worship, we offer a nursery for children under 5.  
The nursery is in the northeast hallway of the church. Ask anyone for directions.*

### Gathering

Welcome  
Prelude *As the Deer* Rev. Laurie Lewis  
Carol Anne Smock

Introduction to Worship Emily Langston

#### \*Call to Worship

WL: Rejoice, people of God! Celebrate the new life within you!

**P: Our eyes shall be opened and the wings of our hearts set free!**

L: The present has new meaning, the future is bright with hope.

**P: We place ourselves before the Lord, that we may be touched and  
cleansed by God's love.**

\*Hymn *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You* 2

#### \*Passing the Peace of Christ

L: May the peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

### The Word

Scripture Lesson begins 1 John 4:11-16a N.T. 223

Sharing the Names on Our Hearts

*Lift up the name of someone who needs our prayers.*

Prayer Hymn *Make Me a Servant* Chalice Praise 99 1x through

Community Prayer and Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

Scripture Lesson 1 John 4:16b-21 N.T. 224

L: The Word of God for the people of God

**P: Thanks be to God.**

\*Gloria Patri 36

Anthem *Declare His Glory*-John W. Peterson, arr. Benjamin Harlan Chancel Choir

Sermon *I Love My Wife, I Love My Dog*

Hymn *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* *Not in our Hymnals, on slides*

### The Lord's Table

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Shepherd Me O God* Carol Anne Smock

\**Great is Thy Faithfulness* 86(refrain only)

\*Prayer of Dedication Marian Johnson

Hymn *Lord of Our Highest Love* 390 (1,2,3)

Invitation to Share in the Feast

*We believe that every person who confesses faith in Jesus Christ,*

*whether he/she is a member of this congregation or not,*

*is welcome to join us as we break bread together.*

*Please partake in the bread and cup as it is passed.*

Words of Institution

L: It was on that night in the Upper Room, Jesus took the bread, he  
blessed it, and broke it saying,

**P: This is my body, broken for you. Do this in remembrance of  
me.**

L: Then He took the cup after Supper saying,

**P: This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you  
drink it in remembrance of me.**

Prayer of Blessing Lori Ray

### Going Forth

Invitation to Membership

If you would like to join our church, either by confession of faith prior to Baptism  
or by transferring your membership from another congregation, please come forward  
during the hymn and the minister will welcome you.

\*Hymn *Love Divine, All Love Excelling* 517 (1,4)

The Light of Christ leads us out into the World

Postlude *Our God is an Awesome God*-Michael W. Smith Carol Anne Smock

(\*Indicates to stand as you are able)

*Please join us for coffee and tea in Fellowship Hall*

## THE SUNDAY EDITION

Welcome! We strive to make the Lord's house a place of joy. With joy, we welcome you and pray that you're filled with hope and happiness as you lift up your heart to God.

### **DW Project – April 2018**

#### **St. Jude Children's Research Hospital of Memphis, TN**

Our hearts go out to the children and their families affected by cancer. Although no bill is received by the family; radiation, chemotherapy, surgeries, and research prove to be very costly. Let us show our love and support by giving generously; thanking God most of us have been spared this heartache.

This is money well spent-I guarantee.

We invite the congregation to join us. Mark your envelope "St. Jude."

Our thanks and love to all of you for caring and giving.

#### **College Boxes**

Help us show our college kids how important they are to our faith community!

We are making boxes filled with cookies, snacks, and notes of encouragement for our college kids. There will be a container in the narthex to put your goodies and notes in. Donations are needed by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

KU-Benjamin Brewer, Bryleigh Beardmore, & Abby Smith

PSU-Jamie Bayless, Tyler Beadmored, & Kinzie Brownwell

ESU-Ian Bain

Washburn-Sammi Ford & John Ray

Ottawa-Jared Hawks

William Jewell-Tori Smith

LCC-Abby Ford & Kari Ann Whitlock



#### **Serving Today (April 29)**

**Deacons:** Marlene Wegner, Peggy Cramer, Sharon Ryan, & Jean Reeves

**Elders:** Lori Ray & Marian Johnson

#### **Serving Next Week (May 6)**

**Deacons:** Dori Howerter, Elaine Harris, Sandy Womeldorff, & Barbara Robbins

**Elders:** Sherrie Coltrain & Steve Fincher

\*If you know of someone graduating this year please call the church office with that information.

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*Emerge*

*Claiming New Possibilities*

*I Love My Wife, I Love My Dog*

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