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PROGRAM

PROGRAM	LOCATION	TIME
Coffee Fellowship Time	Fellowship Hall (L.L.)	9:00 a.m.
Worship	Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
Infant, Toddler, Preschool & School Age Child Care	South Hallway	9:30 a.m.

CHURCH STAFF

POSITION	PERSON	CONTACT
Designated Pastor	J. Martin Westermeyer	Shaman4@zoomtown.com
Pastor of Visitation	John Robson	Jmarrobson@gmail.com
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CHURCH LEADERS

PERSON	POSITION	CONTACT
Kyle Taylor	Church President	859-394-5256
David Stamm	Church Vice President	859-322-2426
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Vickie Kennedy	Church Treasurer	859-653-2630 text or call

Church Office Hours

Monday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday	Closed
Friday	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Calls will be answered off-site on days when the office is closed.	



August 11, 2024
10:00 a.m.
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost



Thought for the Day before Worship

Faith beckons us to move from complaint – justified or not –
to trust in God's life-offering grace revealed in Jesus the Christ.

*All who are able are welcome to stand

Welcome

Prelude

How Great Thou Art
(Dobin Park, Piano)

(Jeff Nelson)

Tower Bell

*Call to Worship: adapted: Psalms 130 and 34

Come to the One who hears our praise and tears, who knows our joys and sorrows.

We wait for God, our spirits wait in hope.

Open the deep places of your life to God, places of light and shadow.

We wait for God, more than those who watch for the morning of a new day.

Taste and see that God is good; blessed are those whose refuge is God.

We trust in God's steadfast love and great power to redeem.

Let us together Worship our God!

*Hymn #21

This Is My Fathers World

(Terra Beata)

*Prayer of Adoration & Confession

You are the One to whom we may bring the whole of our lives, for you know us already. And so we bring to you this day our gratitude for life, grace, and creation. Receive our thanks. We bring to you this day our trust. For you are the One who seeks the good of us and all. You are the One in whose hands rest creation and the future. You are the One whose love is our hope and our home. Receive our trust, and enable us to serve as those through whom you bring answer to prayer and faith to life. For spirits closed to the movement and newness you would bring to our lives, forgive us, O God.

For hearts unwilling to name to you
what we complain about among ourselves, forgive us, O God.
For hands clenched too tightly around the abundance of gifts we enjoy
when others go wanting, forgive us, O God.
For faith that presumes we can only pray
about what is good and not lament what is wrong, forgive us, O God.
May your Holy Spirit grace us with forgiveness
that heals, that opens, that encourages, in Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Assurance of Grace**
Hear the Good News! God hears us as we pray. God wills the best for us in all circumstances and works with us to overcome the unbearable. As we walk with Christ, God promises to abide with us and raise us up. Let us live no longer in our distress and loneliness, but accept the gifts of God. Dearly Beloved, believe the Good News!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, now and forever. Amen.

***Gloria Patri** *(Greateorex)*
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

From the Poetry of the Old Testament: Psalm 34:1-8
I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
Look to him, and be radiant,
so your faces shall never be ashamed.
This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord
and was saved from every trouble.
The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear him and delivers them.
O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.

From the History of the Old Testament: 1 Kings 19:4-8
But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.” Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.” He looked, and there at his head was a cake

Welcoming and Leading Us This Morning

Preaching Today: Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer

Liturgist: Diana Stamm

Organist: Michael Sullivan

Choral Director: Dr. Dobin Park

Sound Technician: Robert Pettus

Greeters: Laura Haas & Tom Williams

Ushers: Steve Twehues, Ralph Schoulthies & Mike Hanson

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	<u>This Week</u>
Sunday, August 11:	10:00 a.m. Worship Service
Monday, August 12:	7:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon Meeting
Tuesday, August 13:	7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
Wednesday, August 14:	12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch Bunch
Thursday, August 15:	3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Yoga Class-Fellowship Hall
Saturday, August 17:	9:00 a.m. AA Meeting 10:00 a.m. Leadership Team Meeting
Sunday, August 18:	10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:15 a.m. Cookies & Lemonade Social

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GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD THANKS BE TO GOD!

Hearing Assistance

We have wireless receivers for the hearing impaired which you may obtain from an usher.

Pastoral Care Notice

If a pastoral care need arises, please contact the church office at (859) 431-1818 and we will get a message to Pastor Marty or Pastor John Robson to contact you.

In Our Prayers

Judy Adams, Joan Berkemeyer, Norma Biery, Flo Grey, Betty Jo Haas, Phil Hamilton, Marilyn Hanson, Melvin Hanson, Betty Hasse, Rona Hater, Chuck Hawkins, Karen Liden, Henry Marksberry, Gayle McAtee, Ed Von Strohe, Carol Strong, Bertie Jo Tuerpe, Bonnie Walter & Marty Westermeyer

Continued Prayerful Support

Homebound members.

Those in assisted living and nursing homes.

Church Leadership Team, Ministry Teams, and all our church leaders. Designated Pastor Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer

Pastor of Visitation John Robson

Homebound Member of the Week

Our homebound member of the week is Betty Hasse. Betty's birthday is Monday, August 19th. Take a moment this week to send her a card or give her a call as we celebrate Betty as our member of the week!

Her address is:

Betty Hasse
500 Lakeview Drive #103
Wilder, KY 41071

Children's Activity Bags

Activity bags for the children are located at each entrance of the church. Feel free to pick up a bag for your child (children) to work on during the worship service. When the service is done just drop the bags off at each exit so that we may replenish the bags for the following week.

Audio Recordings of Our Sunday Services

Did you miss a Sunday service or would like to hear one over again? You can get a CD audio recording of any service each week down on the table located at the North Lobby entrance. The recordings are separated by date so just look for the service you want to hear and take it home.

Online Video Worship Services

You can view our online video Sunday worship services through our church website: www.stjohnsuccnewport.org, our Church's Facebook Page or YouTube Channel (just search our church's name on Facebook/YouTube) and through the Constant Contact weekly email, (just click the online worship button at the bottom of the page). Hope you enjoy the services!

baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Anthem

"Great is the Lord"
(Chuck Hawkins - soloist)

(Irish Air)

Good is the Lord and full of kind compassion,
Most slow to anger, plenteous in Love;
Rich is His grace to all that humbly seek Him,
Boundless and endless as the heavens above.
His love is like a father's to his children,
Tender and kind to all who fear His Name,
For well He knows our weakness and our frailty,
He knows that, we are dust, He knows our frame.

We fade and die like flowers that grow in beauty,
Like tender grass that soon will disappear;
But evermore the love of God is changeless,
Still shown to those who look to Him in fear,
High in the heavens His throne is fixed forever,
His kingdom rules o'er all from pole to pole;
Bless ye the Lord through all His wide dominion,
Bless His most holy Name,
O thou my soul.

From the Letters of Paul in the New Testament: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

So then, putting away falsehood, let each of you speak the truth with your neighbor, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Those who steal must give up stealing; rather, let them labor, doing good work with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths but only what is good for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Sermon

"The Times: How They Are Changing?" Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer

Affirmation of Faith: Statement of Faith written by Rev. Diane Wendorf

I believe it is a matter of faith

to stand up for those who cannot stand up for themselves.

I believe it is a matter of faith

to equally recognize and love all members of God's human family

Open flower dates are August 18th
To reserve your special date, please call the church office.