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April 16, 2023 9:30 Worship

"In All Things Give Thanks" **Todd Stone**

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First Sunday After Easter

Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: O Lord, you have surely heard the cry of those in the midst of disasters.

P: Give them perseverance.

L: We also lift up those wanting to assist, and those who are assisting in the relief.

P: Give them strength

L: Lord, we lift up those who have had to bury the dead and comfort the loved ones.

P: Give them compassion and a heart for mercy.

L: For those who organize acts to aide in relief.

P: Give them prudence and patience to understand needs.

L: Hear us, merciful God that through this time of tragedy

P: All will know of Your presence and learn of the Holy Spirit's comfort.

L: We stand ready to serve, to give, and to love.

P: Let us be your hands and feet, O Lord. Amen.

"O Jesus I Have Promised" *Hymn #396

Children's Time

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Silent Prayer **Pastoral Prayer**

Lord's Prayer

Hymn #568 "Christ for the World We Sing"

Giving of Tithes and Offerings *Doxology #95

*Praver of Dedication

Generous and surprising God, when we thought that death had claimed your only Son, you amazed us with the resurrection. Surprise us again with your ability to turn these humble offerings into gifts that will transform the world through our witness to your love. We lay our very lives at your feet, O God, knowing that you will use us to proclaim and embody the gospel. Amen.

Gospel: **New Testament:** John 20:19-31 1 Peter: 1:3-9

"In All Things Give Thanks" Sermon

Todd Stone

*Hymn #338 "Where He Leads Me"

*Benediction *Postlude

Birthdays & Anniversaries Birthdays: LaVerne Jordan (Apr 21)

Anniversaries:

UPCOMING MINISTRY

Church Beautification Day

See Nate for Info!

Last Weeks Attendance: 59 Last Weeks Offering: \$1569.00 Avg. Offering Needed: \$ 900.00

PASTOR'S CORNER



I am very blessed to have Todd Stone, our Certified Lav Servant, filling in for me today as I participate on the Walk to Emmaus retreat in Woodstock.

"What is the Walk to Emmaus?", you ask. Well, what it isn't is a weekend spent walking around to someplace called

Emmaus! (That is what I thought it was the first time I heard my pastor talking about it) What it is, is a 3-day spiritual retreat described as a "short course in Christianity" and developed to help solidify ones faith in Christ and what that faith then calls one to do. There are 15 talks, 5 by clergy and 10 by laity, we participate in communion every day, and we experience the grace and love of God in new and profound ways.

My first walk was in 2010 and it has been my honor to be a servant on over 15 walks since. For me it is has become a time of renewal and for many it is time of healing, a time of inspiration and a foretaste of heaven.

If this interests you, let's talk!



Cereal, crackers, peas, pancake mix, cake mix, laundry soap, liquid hand soap, shampoo



Today (4/16): Worship (9:30) **Tuesday (4/18):** PM in Office 9:30-3 Thursday (4/20): PM in Office 9:30-3 Sunday (4/23): COM Meeting (8:30), Worship (9:30)





NEXT SUNDAY 6:30pm

Brent Vernon & Sam Children's Author. Illustrator. Musician/Vocalist and Ventriloauist

Fun for the WHOLE family!!





Colleen Eder, Pauline Sidor and family, Darla Cobb and family, Denis Toay, Brynn Fry, Brandon Hartzell, Lynn Workinger, Roger Broshous; Candy Blair Schellinger; our people in the nursing homes, all those who are suffering with certain sicknesses; service men, women, and their families; police, firefighters, and EMTs, doctors, and nurses.

Please leave a message with Susan Stone at (815) 297-2028 with additions or changes to the prayer list.