



Rooftop unit replacement begins this week.

**Summer Hours
Service starts
@ 9:30am**

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Preschool Enrollment Open

Contact Marilyn for more information
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**IGNITE 2024
JULY 18-20**

We Need Volunteers of All Skill Levels
There is a Place for Everyone to Serve.
Bring the Whole Family

Sign up with Teresa or use the QR code



Sanctuary Pew Repair and Staining

Annual pew repairs and staining will begin soon



OPERATION BACK TO SCHOOL

FOUNTAIN PARK JULY 28 2024

3PM - 5PM


**REGISTER AT
VANWERTFIRST.NET**




June 16, 2024

Thank you for caring for others!

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST
Food Pantry**



**June is PB & J /
MAC 'N CHEESE Month**

Crunchy or creamy
Grape, strawberry, raspberry

Please place your donations in baskets located at either entrance.

6/30/2023

SAVE THE DATE

TINCAPS GAME

AUG 15, 2024

7:05 PM

\$12 EACH

TICKET SALES START JULY 1ST



Our Vision Statement:

Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus

Thanks for joining us today! If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the Welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances, and no matter where you've been, you matter to God, and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **Welcome!** Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The LORD answers you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protects you! May he send you help from the sanctuary and give you support from Zion. May he remember all your offerings, and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices. Psalm 20:1-3 NIV

**indicates please stand if you are able
Please fill out the attendance pad and pass it to your neighbor*

Welcome & Announcements Olivia Ramos

Prelude *Shall We Gather at the River Near to the Heart of God* arr. Mark Hayes

***Call to Worship** Olivia Ramos

L: God interrupted Samuel with an unexpected call.

P: "Here I am, Lord. Send me!"

L: God surprised Jesse, choosing his youngest son, David, to be king.

P: "Here I am, Lord. Send me!"

L: We join with Christ and are a part of God's new creation.

P: O Mighty God, we come to join the harvest.

L: Gather us in, O Holy One, for we would be your people.

P: Amen.

***Song** *Good Good Father*

***Opening Prayer** Jeremy Laukhuf

God of every thought and reality, the holy, prophetic sustainer of community, we gather here today as your people, children of the good news. Assure us of your presence once again so that we may trust the mystery of life and growth as we gather in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Chat with the Children Ruth Ann Dowler
Children are dismissed to AWE

Life in the Church Olivia Ramos

***Scripture** 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Series **Ascribe to God**
Message God's Eyes, God's Choice Jana Thompson

***Song** *Faith of Our Fathers* (#710) *Be Thou My Vision* (#451)

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

(Children return from AWE)

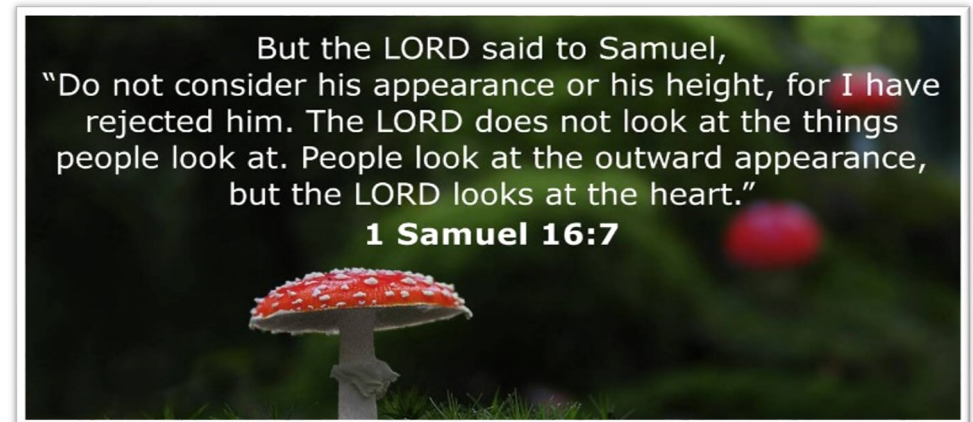
Offertory *Interlude* by Cindy Berry

***Doxology** *Come Thou Fount*

***Prayer of Gratitude**

*Spoken Benediction

Postlude *All Things Bright and Beautiful* by John Rutter



The flowers on the altar are in honor of
Pastor Christian and Melody's 1st Wedding Anniversary
& Roger and Kay Okuley's 51st Wedding Anniversary

KID'S MINISTRY AWE

Children preschool through 5th grade have an opportunity to build their relationship with Jesus through uplifting songs and impactful Bible lessons by attending our Alternate Worship Experience. Children will be released to AWE after praise and worship and return during offering time. AWE will not meet Communion Sunday which is the first Sunday of the month.

Leaders in Today's Worship

Pastor: Christian Taylor

Projectionist: Noah Krites

Director of Music: Scott Turner

Sound Technician: Ron Allison

Worship Leader: Jeremy Laukhuf

Videographer: Kurt Massillo

Screen Creators: Cheri Oechsle, Melody Taylor

Usher Coordinator: Neil Shaffer and Dave Lichtle, Assist.