



\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Holy God,  
we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely.  
Instead, we calculate our gains and losses,  
hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life.  
Forgive us,  
and help us to treasure only you,  
that we may follow you faithfully  
and discover the blessings only you can give. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

*Gloria Patri*

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18

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\*Those who are able may stand.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

**Lectionary Readings** for September 15: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10.

**The Urban Mission item** of the month for September is **peanut butter**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

After worship, the Fellowship & Hospitality committee will host a **Potluck Lunch** in the Fellowship Hall. Even if you did not bring anything, please join us—all are welcome and we will have plenty of food.

On September 15 the second **adult Sunday School class** will begin a new study of the economy, and how our faith needs to play a part in how we deal with it. They will discuss a book written by the Rev. Dr. Jim Wallis, entitled: *Rediscovering Values - on Wall Street, Main Street, and Your Street*. This class meets in the library at 9:30 A.M.

**SUNDAY****September 8**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School Kick Off
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 12:00 P.M. – Potluck Lunch
- 5:00 P.M. – Memorial Youth Group

**MONDAY****September 9**

- 7:00 P.M. – Fellowship & Hospitality meeting

**TUESDAY****September 10**

- 6:00 P.M. – Mission & Evangelism meeting
- 7:00 P.M. – Christian Education meeting

**WEDNESDAY****September 11**

- 7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY****September 12**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library
- 7:00 P.M. – Building & Grounds meeting

**SUNDAY****September 15**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 4:30 P.M. – Deacons meeting
- 5:30 P.M. – Stewardship meeting