

Sundays@9:30

Our new Sunday School hour kicks off September 6th!

Join one of the following:

Sojourners - Room 110, led by Lelion Elledge, Jukie Leary, Philip Bell, Bob Roddey, and others in the Henry Reynolds room across from the library. Coffee available.

FISH (Fellowship In Service to Him) – Room 205, led by David Gardner, Christopher Collins, Hood Souter, Kirstin Sherrer, and others. Coffee available.

Youth – 3rd floor LOFT – 6th – 12th graders with adult volunteers facilitating. Goodies available.

Children (Basement Root Cellar) – K4 – 5th graders welcome in the basement area for a digital study and play. Adult volunteers welcome! Goodies available.

Nursery (Room 120) – infant – K3 in near the playground door.

YOUTH

Sunday Mornings @ 9:30 in the LOFT

with some of our favorite people – Dale Culbertson, the Sanders, the Penneys, and Mrs. Elise! Goodies and coffee available!

Sunday Evening Youth at 5:30 in the LOFT

Bible Study with Mrs. Elise and Dawsey. Parent Teams to assist with snacks/dinner and small groups. Fun activities as well!

Wednesday Evening Youth at 5:30 in AH/LOFT

5:30 dinner with Mallory in AH; 6:00 – fun activities and student-led devos

EGGS

Middle School Youth will meet at CFA by the mall on Thursday, September 17th at 7:00 am for devotion and breakfast then carpool to Westview. Bring \$\$.

Secret Angel

For young people within 4 years after high school graduation, FPC offers a Secret Angel program. Sign your young person up today! We also need people to be Secret Angels – to write notes and send small treats throughout the year. Sign up today! Forms in the lobby.

Chancel Bells

2 positions available in Chancel Bells. Contact steve@firstgreenwood.com

Chancel Choir

Is Choir up to your standards? Come and you audition US! Rehearsals are Wednesdays 7-8:15. Let Steve know and a guest folder will be waiting for you! steve@firstgreenwood.com

Bible 101

Bible 101 will continue at Westminster for the next two Sundays beginning at 4:00 pm..

Sunday, September 13

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service
11:40 a.m. - Chancel Bells
2:00 p.m. - Officer Training (HR)
4:00 p.m. - Festiva
4:00 p.m. - Bible 101 (Westminster)
5:30 p.m. - Youth (Loft)
6:00 p.m. - PGS (HR)
6:00 p.m. - CE Team (BR)
7:00 p.m. - Youth Comm. (BR)

Monday, September 14

10:15 a.m. - Emerald Bells
10:30 a.m. - Circle # 3 (HR)
4:30 p.m. - PGS (Lobby/Sanc)
5:15 p.m. - B & G (BR)
5:30 p.m. - Endowment (Conf Rm)
6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts (YR)
6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts (AH)
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)
7:00 p.m. - Circle #6 (Room 203)

Tuesday, September 15

SPIRE DEADLINE
10:00 a.m. - Staff mtg.
4:00 p.m. - Family BS (BR)
7:00 p.m. - Chorale (Sanc)
Wednesday, September 16
7:00 a.m. - Men's Bible Study & Break. (AH)
10:30 a.m. - BEMA Bible Study (HR)
12:15 p.m. - NA Staff (HR)
5:30 p.m. - WNF Dinner (AH)
6:00 p.m. - SHinE (Base)
6:00 p.m. - Youth (Loft)
6:00 p.m. - Adults (203/206/HR)
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 17

7:00 a.m. - EGGS (CFA)
10:30 a.m. - Listening for God (BR)
11:00 a.m. - K-Group (WC)
6:00 p.m. - CLC (BR)
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)

Friday, September 18

Saturday, September 19

9:30 a.m. - 7th Day Adventist (HR/ Base/YR)
5:00 p.m. - 7th Day Adventist (HR/ Base/YR)

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS in the sanctuary are given by David and Joyce Hyde to the glory of God and in celebration of their 75th wedding anniversary on September 15th.

Our Christian prayers and sympathies are extended to the family of George Brockenbrough upon his passing on September 4, 2026. We share with them the joy of the promise of resurrection and eternal life.

And now, back to your normal programming...

Wednesday Night Fellowship

5:15 – fellowship on the playground

5:30 dinner for all ages

6:00 something for everyone!

- Nursery for children infant – K3
- SHinE for children K4-5th in the basement Root Cellar
- Youth for 6th - 12th in the 3rd floor Loft
- Women's Small Group in the parlor room 203
- Men's Bible Study in room 206
- Lectionary Bible Study in Henry Reynolds
- Fellowship in Alexander Hall

**Wednesday Night Fellowship & Dinner
SEPTEMBER 16th:**

5:30 Country fried steak, rice and gravy,
okra and tomatoes
SHinE Menu: Breakfast

Check the Spire for menus. Be sure to sign up by Monday at noon. You can do that by contacting the front office, signing up on the sheet in the front lobby, or using the yellow cards in the pew racks.

Men's Fellowship and Breakfast

Wednesday, September 16th, 7:00 am
in Alexander Hall, donations accepted

Menu: Country ham with red eye gravy,
grits, eggs, biscuits, french toast

Pathway House Needs

Toilet Paper, paper towels, facial tissues, laundry pods (no liquids), disinfectant cleaners, all purpose cleaners, 40-gallon trash bags.

Due by September 23rd for Pathway service project on September 30th.

***16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 13, 2026
10:30 am***



**THIS
AFTERNOON
4:00 pm
Swamptooth**

*Interim Pastor -- The Rev. Dr. Brad Christie
Theologian in Residence -- The Rev. Dr. Cliff Cain
Director of Christian Education -- Elise Collins
Director of Music Ministries -- Steve Skinner
Director of Children's Music -- Sarah Bowen
Music Associate/Organist -- Tim Walters
Noah's Ark Director -- Lauren Trantham*

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GATHERING MUSIC

Tim Walters

CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Elise Collins

SCRIPTURE READING

PROCLAMATION

Matthew 18:21-35

Rev. Christie

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Forgiveness Factor”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER

Steve Skinner

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH [The Apostles’ Creed]

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried:
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #547 “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” AR HYD Y NOS
Stanzas 1 and 2

*BENEDICTION [Please remain for the Congregational Benediction]

*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION
#547, stanza 3 “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” AR HYD Y NOS

POSTLUDE

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Brad Christie

Leader: God is good
People: all the time.
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People: God is good.

(Please sign and pass the Member/Guest Registry. If you are a guest, your name, address, phone number, and e-mail address will be most helpful.)

PRELUDE

“How Our Hearts with Joy Abound”
Hymn #333, Psalm 45

Skinner

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Friends in Christ, we are forgiven.
People: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN #445 “God, How Can We Forgive?”

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ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP [Psalm 103:1, 8]

Rev. Christie

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,
People: and all that is in me,
bless God’s holy name!
Leader: God is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
People: God’s steadfast love stretches from earth to the heavens.
It never ends.
O come, let us worship!

GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS

Call to Offering

Elise Collins

Offertory “O God, You are My God Alone”
Hymn #696, Psalm 64

Mary Kay Beall

*Doxology (On Screens)

DUKE STREET

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Elise Collins

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Michelle Barksdale

Children may choose to exit at this time:
K3-K5 -- Room 120; 1st-5th grades -- Children’s Chapel

*OPENING HYMN** #39 “Great is Thy Faithfulness” FAITHFULNESS

AIDS FOR WORSHIP - Large print hymnals and wireless hearing devices (instructions are in the pew racks) are available in the narthex.

*Congregation stands **Late comers may be seated