**August 4, 2019**

**\*\*** (Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude “Jesu Joy of Man’s Desiring” J.S. Bach

Announcements

Words of Welcome

Sharing the Peace of Christ

**(We invite members & guests to provide your name & contact information in** **the attendance pad as it is passed through the row.)**

\*\* Call to Worship

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good, whose steadfast love endures forever.

**P:** **Those gathered from east and west and north and south are the redeemed of the Lord.**

L: Those who cried to the Lord in times of trouble God delivered from their distress.

**P:** **Let them thank the Lord for steadfast love and wonderful works to humankind.**

**A: Let us worship God!**

\*\*Hymn of Praise “Be Thou My Vision” UMH #451

Chorus: “Make Me a Servant” See Insert

Greeting/Prayer of ConfessionRev. Andy Wagner

**Prayer of Praise and Adoration (unison)**

**Great Shepherd of Israel, you hear the voices of our supplications; you defend your people as their strength and shield. Through Christ you have established our eternal birthright; by your Spirit you make us to know your Godly decree. As we dwell evermore in the fold of your heavenly heritage, we blend our voices with the multitudes and sing to you our songs of praise. Amen.**

**Children’s Moments**

**Prayers of the Faithful & the Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Hail This Brightest Day of Days” J.S. Bach

**\*\*** Doxology UMH #95

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*\*** **Prayer of Dedication** Rev. Andy Wagner

Special Music Wesley Wickline, vocal solo

**\*\*Gospel Lesson** John 1:1-18

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

**P: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**Sermon** “Grace Upon Grace” Rev. Andy Wagner

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Musical Setting B Page 18

Communion Hymn “One Bread, One Body” UMH #620

Prayer and BenedictionRev. Andy Wagner

**\*\*** Taking the Light Into the World

**\*\*** Postlude “Emperor’s Fanfare” Soler

*Altar Flowers are given by* Gale and Janet Adkins in celebration of the 90th birthday of his mother, Alice Adkins on August 8th.

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Pastor John will be out of town with Continuing Education from Aug 8-11th.

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| Monday  5 | Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Rm 5, 11, 12, 15 A,B  Boy Scouts 7:00 pm Rm 15 C  Stephen Ministry 7:00 pm Library |
| Tuesday  6 | SPRC 4:30 pm Rm 6  Trustees 6:30 pm Rm 6 |
| Wednesday  7 | **DEADLINE FOR 8/11/19 BULLETIN** |
| Thursday  8 | Bible Study 10:00 am Parlor  Prayer Shawl 11:30 am Parlor  Membership Care 12:30 pm Rm 6  Grief Support 7:00 pm Parlor |
| Friday  9 |  |
| Saturday  10 |  |
| Sunday  11 | Sunday School 9:00 am Preschool through  Grade 5, Rm 12 & Grades 6-12, Rm 8  Fellowship & Coffee 10:00 am FH 15 A & B  Worship 10:30 am Sanctuary |

**Sunday School Studies**

**Explorers** meet in Room 6 Leaders Char Lee & Cheryl Vahle study of **“30 Life Principles” by Charles F. Stanley.**

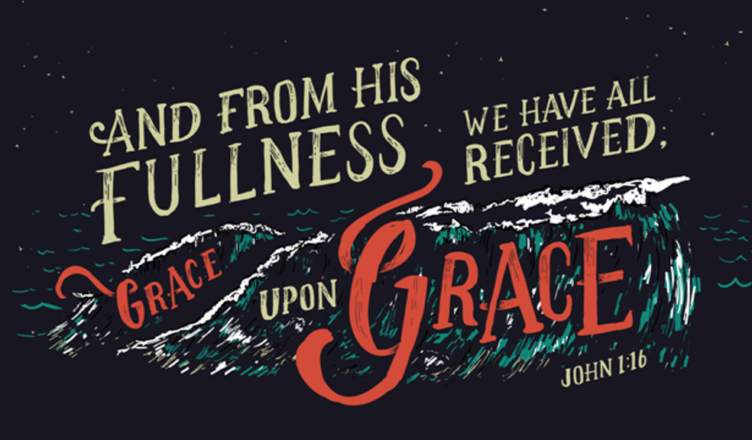
**Double I** meet in 15C Leader Wayne Cookstudy of **“30 Life Principles” by Charles F. Stanley.**

**Open Doors** meet in Parlor studying **Denominations Comparison.**

**Friends & Followers**  meet in the Library Leader is Chad Mossing will be studying **Didn’t See It Coming.**

**Senior High School** will not be meeting during the summer, class members are joining the ALL ages S.S. class to help the little ones with craft projects.

**Preschool – Grade 5** Join the children under the leadership of Joyce Smith, Betsy Murray and Virginia Pinkerton for Bible Stories and activities to reinforce the Bible Story of the day.

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**Faith Community United Methodist Church**

**“Worship Together, Grow Together, Serve Together”**

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Sunday school

9:00 AM Preschool Room 5

Gades K-2 Room 12

Grades 3-5 Room 11

Grades 6-12 Room 8

10:00 AM Hospitality/Coffee FH A, B

10:30 AM Worship Sanctuary

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and Thursday 9am-12pm

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**We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation**

**Worship Team**

Ushers Rick & Joyce Smith

Edward & Margaret Stidham

Greeters Diane Cushwa & Vicki Beegle

Liturgist Julie Wickline

Acolytes Molly Mossing & Moira Ackenhausen

Organist Rev. John Guliano





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**Ohio Festival of Sharing** will be held on September 14 from 9am to Noon. Please have your kits in the church by September 11. We will have school kit bags in the Narthex with a list of items needed for each bag. If there are any questions please contact Carol and Scott Jenkins at 937-372-1372.

**Confirmation Classes** for Middle school and High school students will begin this fall, please call Debbie in the church office 372-7601 to be put on the list. We will create a schedule once we know how many students we will have.

**Free Concert:** The Greene County Adult Concert Band will present a free concert on Sunday, August 4th at 3:00pm. It will be held in the sanctuary of Faith Community UMC. The band is under the direction of Dave Leapley and the program will be about an hour long.

# Gospel Lesson – John 1:1-18

The Word Became Flesh

**1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2**He was with God in the beginning. **3**Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.**4**In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. **5**The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

**6**There was a man sent from God whose name was John. **7**He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. **8**He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

**9**The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.**10**He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. **11**He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. **12**Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—**13**children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.

**14**The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

**15**(John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, “This is the one I spoke about when I said, ‘He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’”) **16**Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. **17**For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. **18**No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

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“Who is Number One?” Rev. Andy Wagner

Scripture Lesson John 1:19-28





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