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1 John 4:19

AUGUST 16, 2015



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Gathering

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH

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*MEETING AND GREETING

Please extend the Spirit's joy to one another

*PRAISE SONGS

Wonderful Merciful Savior
O Lord, You're Beautiful
I Love You Lord

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Susan Coho

Sharing God's Word

SONG OF ILLUMINATION *The Steadfast Love Of The Lord*

SCRIPTURE (NRSV) 1 John 4: 7-12, 19-21
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SONG OF PREPARATION *More Love*

MESSAGE "THE BOTTOM LINE IS LOVE"
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Our Response

OFFERTORY SONG *Jesus, What A Wonder You Are*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer
Sharing the Liturgy
Communion Song *Your Love, O Lord*

*BENEDICTION SONG *The Lord Bless Thee*

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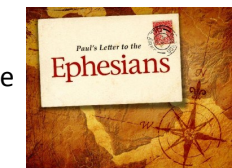
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PRELUDE

Give Thanks

Henry Smith

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

All: In your glory you created all that is!

One: We are grateful for the natural beauty that surrounds us,

All: and for your Holy Spirit at work within us!

One: What a gift it is to take our place in the created order.

All: O Lord, our Lord, we give thanks for the gift of life.

*OPENING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy!

No. 64

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Carolyn Russell

Nursery care is available. Children ages K-6 are dismissed with their teachers at this time. Junior and Senior high will meet in Criswell Hall.

SPECIAL MUSIC

God Save The Outcast
from "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" by Menken & Schwartz

Serafina Regusci

SHARING OF OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

A TIME OF MEDITATION AND PRAYER

*Choral Call to Prayer Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

No. 349

Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer

No. 895

*Choral Response Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

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OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission
Offertory Our God Reigns
*Doxology / Prayer of Dedication

Leonard E. Smith, Jr.
No. 95

*Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him,
all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
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*HYMN Help Us Accept Each Other No. 560

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*CLOSING HYMN Where Charity and Love Prevail No. 549
(Verses 1, 2, 4)

*RESPONSE SONG Blest Be The Tie That Binds No. 557
(Verse 1)

*Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.*

POSTLUDE Song Of The North Robert Schumann



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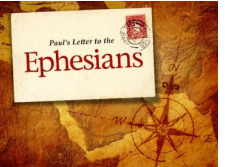
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