

The Chancel Flowers are: In loving memory of our mother/
grandmother, Donna Maxwell Westcoat, by Jeff, Robin, Max & Seth
Toops.

And: In loving memory of my beautiful wife, Donna Westcoat by Fred
Westcoat.

In the Hospital and in Our Prayers as of Thursday, July 16:
Redstone Greensburg Isobel Nelson

Added to the prayer list as of 7.14.26: Frank D.

Prayer and Praise: If you find yourself growing angry at someone,
pray for her or him - anger cannot live in an atmosphere of prayer.
W. T. McElroy

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WELCOME

We're glad you're here!



**"Bringing the heart
of Jesus
to the heart of Irwin"**

Morning Worship

July 19, 2026

8:15 & 10:30 am

A warm welcome! The Lord calls all of us to a new way of living under His wonderful grace in our Savior. If you are our guest, it is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. Please help us to get to know who you are by introducing yourself. Thank you.

PRELUDE Aria Manz

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

M. I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

P. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

M. Oh, magnify the Lord with me.

P. And let us exalt His name together!

***HYMN No. 10** O Worship the King

*CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

O Holy and Merciful God, we confess that we have not always taken upon ourselves the yoke of obedience, or willingly sought to do Your perfect will. We have not loved You with all our heart and soul, mind and strength, or loved our neighbors as ourselves. You have called us to meet the need of others, but we have often passed by without helping. In the pride of our hearts, and our unwillingness to repent, we have turned away from the cross of Christ, and have grieved Your Holy Spirit.

*MOMENT OF SILENT, PERSONAL CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Responsively)

M. Many are the sorrows of the wicked.

P. But steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.

M. Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous.

P. And shout for joy all you upright in heart!

M. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***GLORIA PATRI** No. 623

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 1:5-20

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Debts and Debtors)

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:15) Song of the Sun Jeffry Wright
(10:30) Because He Lives
Sybil & Hannah Hoffman, Hilary Buell

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** No. 624

***HYMN No. 354** Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

SCRIPTURE READING John 5:16-47

SERMON "The Amazing Claims of Jesus" Doug Rehberg

***HYMN No. 277** The Church's One Foundation

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE** No. 363

More Love to Thee
More love to Thee, O Christ, More love to thee! Hear Thou the prayer I
make On bended knee; This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ to
Thee, More love to Thee, More love to thee!

POSTLUDE Toccata in E Minor Pachelbel
***Those who are able may stand**

Colossians 1:15-20

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.
16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.
17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.
18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.
19 For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

John 5:19-47

19 So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.
20 For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel.
21 For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will.
22 The Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son,
23 that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him.
24 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.
25 “Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.
26 For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.
27 And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man.
28 Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice
29 and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.
30 “I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me.
31 If I alone bear witness about myself, my testimony is not true.
32 There is another who bears witness about me, and I know that the testimony that he bears about me is true.
33 You sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth.
34 Not that the testimony that I receive is from man, but I say these things so that you may be saved.
35 He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light.

36 But the testimony that I have is greater than that of John. For the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me.
37 And the Father who sent me has himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen,
38 and you do not have his word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom he has sent.
39 You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me,
40 yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.
41 I do not receive glory from people.
42 But I know that you do not have the love of God within you.
43 I have come in my Father’s name, and you do not receive me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive him.
44 How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?
45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope.
46 For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me.
47 But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?”

1.) The THIRST v. 39, “You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me.”

2.) The TAP v. 19, “So Jesus said to them, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.’”

3.) The TEST v. 30, “I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge, and my judgment is just, because I seek not my own will but the will of him who sent me.”

4.) The TRAGEDY v. 46 & 47, 46 For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?”

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

AGES: 21-35

JULY Events @table21faith



Friday 6:00pm-8:00pm

Bible Study

We will be continuing with the book of Matthew.

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Friday 6:30

Group Outing

Worship ride @ Drip. Spin Studio!

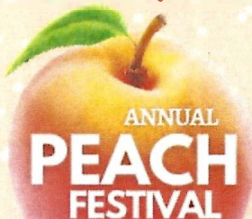
More info to come via GroupMe.

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Mark your calendar!



Saturday, August 8



The Blessing Board continually runs out of bakeware to distribute. This includes glass and metal casserole dishes (with & without lids), loaf pans, baking sheets, muffin pans, etc.... They also have a continuing need for Queen sheets and Queen blankets to give out. The Mission Committee is re-running a drive for these items. There will be boxes near the Mission Desk in the Brenzia Room.

Remember these items do not have to be new. The Goodwill & The Salvation Army are good places to purchase these items inexpensively. The need is great, consider bringing more than one item.



REMINDER:
Committee Budgets
are due for August

This Weeks Activities

Sunday, July 19

- 8:15 AM Worship service, Cookie Hour, Barista
- 9:15 AM Jumpstart
- 9:15 AM Refresh
- 10:30 AM Family Worship service, Childcare
- 11:30 AM Fellowship: Cookie Hour, Barista

Monday, July 20

- 9:30 AM Counters
- August News Letter Articles Due

Tuesday, July 21

- 11:00 AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 22

- 7:30 AM Norwin Men's Prayer Fellowship
- 10:00 AM Food Pantry
- 6:00 PM TOPS

Friday, July 24

- 10:00 AM Food Pantry
- 1:00 PM Knit-Wit(nesses) for the Lord
- 1:00 PM Junior Knit-Wit(nesses) for the Lord
- 6:00 PM Table 21 - Young Adult Bible Study

Saturday, July 25

- 9:00 AM Pick Up For The Blessing Board

Sunday, July 26

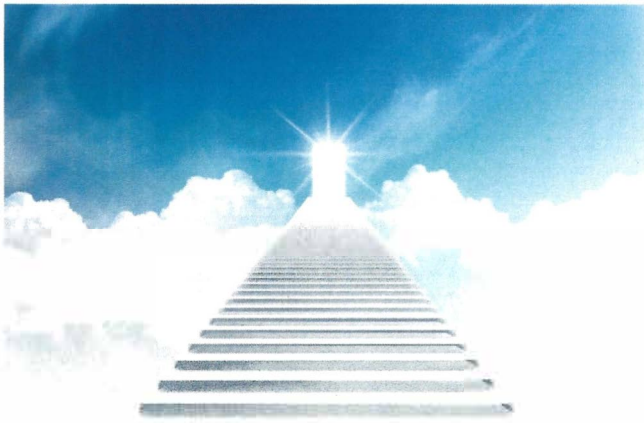
- 8:15 AM Worship Service, Cookie Hour, Barista
- 9:15 AM Jumpstart Summer Classes
- 9:15 AM Refresh
- 10:30 AM Worship service, Reception of New Members, Kids Worship, Child Care
- 11:30 AM Cake Reception to Welcome New Members, Barista



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For your preparation: "Why Was Jesus Effective"
John 7:1-13



WHAT'S HEAVEN LIKE?

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In light of the questions and the misery, Bill Martin was asked to consider teaching a series on heaven. He was hesitant, but went to work. What transpired over those many months was mind and heart expanding, and life changing. That is why we are inviting you to attend a short, four-Sunday-session on Heaven. Sunday July 19th to August 9th, in the Social hall, under the sanctuary, this COMBINED REFRESH CLASS will be held from 9:15 to 10:15 am. We hope you will join us.



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