Messiah Lutheran Church

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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 16, 2015 – 9:15 a.m.

*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

<u>SHUT-INS</u>: Marian G., Reba S., Kitty W., Flo B., Ethel B., Jean M., Helen K., Sis S., Jane M., Fay M., Dorothy P., Ruth C., Ray B., Dottie S., Dorothy C.

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PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP PRELUDE:

[A Time for Meditation and Prayer] GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS INTRODUCTION

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitiation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

* BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit
- C Amen
- P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us

from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- P Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
- P Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
- C Amen.
- * SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE
 - P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
 - C And also with you.

Congregational sharing: "Peace be with you."

GATHERING

- * ENTRANCE HYMN "Praise and Thanksgiving"
- * GREETING
 - P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
 - C And also with you.
- * KYRIE (sung)
 - P Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son: C Lord, have mer-cy.
 - P Chri-ste, e-le-i-son: C Christ, have mer-cy.
 - P Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son: C Lord, have mer-cy.
- * HYMN OF PRAISE (sung)

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest;

glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest;

glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take

a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest; glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest;

glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

- * SALUTATION AND RESPONSE (spoken)
 - P The Lord be with you

C And also with you.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (spoken in unison)

P Let us pray...

C Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

WORD

Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.

FIRST READING

A reading from Proverbs 9:1-6

THE LESSON READS:

¹Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. ²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. ³She has sent out her servantgirls, she calls from the highest places in the town, ⁴"You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, ⁵"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. ⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

Lector: The word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

PSALM: Psalm 34:9-14 (Responsively)

L – Those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good. (Ps. 34:10)

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
¹⁰The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
¹¹Come, children, and listen to me; I will teach you reverence for the LORD.
¹²Who among you takes pleasure in life and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?
¹³Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from lying words.
¹⁴Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

ALL – Those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.

True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way re revere our Lord Jesus Christ.

SECOND READING

A reading from Ephesians 5:15-20

THE LESSON READS:

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lector: The word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)
 Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al-le-lu-ia. You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu—ia. Al-le-lu—ia.

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion.

- * GOSPEL: John 6:51-58
 - P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

THE GOSPEL READS:

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)

Sermon

- * HYMN OF THE DAY "As We Gather at Your Table"
- * APOSTLES' CREED ('new version') (all)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

OFFERING

OFFERTORY:

[Please pass the Friendship Pad down your pew for all to sign and then back to the center aisle so everyone has the opportunity to read the names. We request that our guests also give us their home address. Thank you].

SPECIAL MUSIC

* SUNG OFFERTORY ('vineyards')

Let the vine-yards be fruit-full, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of bless-ing. Gather a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence, Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

- * OFFERING PRAYER
 - P Let us pray. Merciful God,
 - C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
- * PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
 - P With confidence in God's compassion and generosity, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.
 - A brief silence.
 - P God of generosity, you came to live among us in communion with us. We pray for all congregations, that they be places of welcome and belonging where those who seek you find a home. Lord, in your mercy,
 - C hear our prayer.
 - P God of creativity, you have given us a rich earth to provide all sorts of nourishment. Grant us the wisdom to be good stewards of this vast and wondrous home. Lord, in your mercy,
 - C hear our prayer.

- P God of peace, we pray for the nations of the world. Give the world's leaders the wisdom that they need to seek peace and pursue justice. Give citizens the courage to raise up such leaders. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P God of compassion, we pray for all who are in need—both the needs we understand and the hungers that are beyond our comprehension. Fill all yearning sould with the true satisfaction that comes from you (especially we pray for all of our shut-ins, both at home and in nursing homes, and for Dorothy Patterson, Sarah Shellenberger, Rick Waller, Sr., Avonel Waller, Jesse Kint, Jim Woltman, Ed Forney, Allison Saner, Charlene Aughey, Bob & Jeanette St. Clair, Charlie Rush, Allison Garver, Clara Shepps, Andy & Wesley Kinzer, Gus Keiser, Kaiden Woods, Tina Hutchinson, John Miller, Leiah Bridges, Michal Gayer, Judy Grimes, Jane Ann (Ziegler) Baney, Diana Kint, Sara Ann Aurand, Carol, Jan, John Mahlin, Betsy Aumiller, Jodi Fitzgerald, Virginia Waller, Dot Zeiders, Mindy Fryer, and Angela & Scott Bryner). Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P God of wisdom, we pray for all those who are returning to school: students, teachers, and staff. Give them the joy of learning from each other by sharing their gifts and questions. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- P God of community, we remember all the faithful who have come before us. Help us to remember, as they did, that those who seek the Lord will lack nothing that is good. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C Amen
- * THE LORD'S PRAYER ['new version'] (all)
 - P Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:
 - C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

- * BLESSING
 - P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
 - C A-men, A-men, A-men (sung)
- * CLOSING HYMN

"Faith of Our Fathers"

MEAL

- * COMMUNION DIALOGUE (from Isaiah 55)
 - P Let us give thanks to the Lord.

- C for through these gifts he comes to feed us.
- P All you who are thirsty, come to the waters. You who have no money, come, receive bread, and eat.
- C Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and eat.
- P Let us come to his table with joy,
- C for we come as God's invited guests!
- * EUCHARISTIC PRAYER
 - P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C Amen.

(In hospitality and attempting to meet the needs of individuals, Messiah now offers gluten free communion hosts. If you wish to receive gluten free hosts, please come to the side where Pastor Esborn is serving).

DISTRIBUTION

["INTINCTION" – dip your wafer in the wine. Come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. All who wish to stand at the chancel rail after partaking for a time of silent meditation are invited to do so].

* COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

- C Amen
- * PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
 - P Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C Amen

- * DISMISSAL
 - P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
 - C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Barb S. Geedey NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Barb S. Geedey

WELCOME

IF YOU WISH TO USE OR FOLLOW THE LITURGY MUSIC as we proceed through the service today, please use the green portfolios placed on top of the sound control system. In addition, headsets are available in the narthex for our sound enhancement system for the hearing impaired.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit not only in the Friendship Pads, but also in the guest book provided in the narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for worshiping with us. We invite you to return. Visitors are invited to commune with us if they are baptized and, if with us in our faith, they trust Jesus' promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ.

WE INVITE EVERYONE (members and visitors) worshiping with us today to sign the Friendship Pads during the Organ Offertory. If you are a visitor, please be sure to include your address when signing. Please also place a check mark in the box (beside your name) if you are communing today and have not as yet given us a record of your participation in the sacrament during this quarter. (A new quarter begins in January, April, July, and October). The pads are found on the aisle seat of each pew in the nave, and in each section of the Adult Sunday School Room.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in memory of my Dad and Mom, Mortimer and Mary Yocum, by daughter Nancy Yocum Kreiner.

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the weekly bulletin for one month. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for more than one month, please call the church office.

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

DIAL-A-PRAYER (436-2100) IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS DAILY!

JUST A THOUGHT – Oswald Chambers, early twentieth century Scottish Christian minister and teacher (1874 – 1917): When Jesus Christ shed his blood on the cross, it was not the blood of one man for another; it was the life of God poured out to redeem the world.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

PRAYER CHAIN – Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at <u>dskint@nmax.net</u>. If at any time you would like to receive emails with prayer requests, please also contact Stacie.

JUMP START BLOG: The teacher recruitment for <u>Children's and Youth Sunday School</u> is now complete! As you may recall, our Jump Start model for Sunday School provides for TWO teachers per class. We now have enough teachers to do this! In the past, there was only one teacher per class, and this had the built in negative bias of wearing out (and burning out) the teacher who struggled over the long haul at any cost. With the two teacher model, the teachers in each two-teacher team now have the flexibility of accommodating pressing personal schedules as they develop. The multiple teacher model is nothing new to Messiah. It has been part and parcel of our adult Sunday School for years if not decades. What is new is the application of this model to youth classes.

Ideally, when both teachers are available, BOTH will be present each Sunday. On any given Sunday, one of the two will be the designated teacher while the other will be subordinated to a support role. The subordinated teacher will be free to provide individual assistance to students as needed, to prepare reproducible study sheets at the laser copier, and to assist the designated teacher as needed. The two teachers will reverse their roles on a scheme acceptable to both. They may be the designated teacher every other week or every other month or every other unit such as they decide between them. Perhaps the most important outcome to having them both attend classes as much as possible will be that the "helper" teacher will be up to speed with the flow of the subject matter.

Teacher assignments have changed a bit over the past two weeks as it became necessary to tweak the arrangement. What follows is a listing of the final assignments:

<u>Nursery</u>: Elizabeth Book & Briley Holderman <u>Grades K – 2</u>: Tawny Mummah & Nasreen Kepler <u>Grades 3 – 5</u>: Sandy Pines & Jean Compton <u>Grades 6 – 12</u>: Kate Swailes & Caroline Bryner <u>Young Adults</u>: Linda Bahorik & Barb Geedey

NOTE: Linda Clark will be the Real-time Facilitator – "Principal" of the Sunday School. As such she will work to maintain a smooth running School. As the teachers have needs, she will be their onsite "go-to-person" who will work to make things right. She will also be the overseer of Act 34 Clearance documentation.

THE STAINED GLASS FUND has been closed. The Gethsemane window has been paid and at this time all our stained glass windows are fine and need no further restoration. The Property Committee thanks everyone who has so generously contributed to our five year stained glass project, and hope you continue to support the Building Fund in order to keep all of our property in good repair.

AUGUST 9, 2015 ATTENDANCE, 57. Total offering, \$4,107.

EARLY SUMMER SERVICES will continue through September 6, 2015 at 9:15 a.m. Regular 10:30 a.m. worship services will resume on September 13, 2015 with Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.

MUSIC AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE will meet on Sunday, August 23, 2015 immediately following the worship service.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet on Monday, September 28, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. If you are unable to attend, please notify Kay Varner.

A VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING will be held on Sunday, September 13, 2015 following the morning worship service.

"THE NEEDLERS" will continue their sewing project on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone who would like to help is welcome!

GIANT STORE GIFT CARDS are available to purchase from members of the Disciples Class.

THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING FOR CONFIRMATION CLASS will be held today following the worship service at the rear of the Adult Sunday School Room. If your child is in 6th to 8th grade, they are eligible to participate in the Confirmation program. Parents and youth are asked to attend.

WEDNESDAY EVENING "INFORMAL COMMUNION" will be held during the summer months at 6:30 p.m. in the Junior Church Room for those who cannot make it to the services on Sunday mornings and still wish to partake of the Lord's Supper.

HELP AVAILABLE – If you or someone you know needs help with home repairs or yard work, there are volunteers in our community who may be able to help. For more information, contact Michael "Doc" Johnston at 436-9209.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4oz. to 5oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

SEAFARERS PROJECT – Women of the ELCA are collecting items for the Seafarers Project. Items needed are: sweatshirts (preferably hooded sizes L-XL), thermal or white gym socks (no dress socks), casual pull-over T-shirts sizes M-L, and heavy knit winter caps. Please place items on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA are now collecting items for School Kits. Items needed are: 4—70 sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper 8" X $10\frac{1}{2}$ ". One 30-centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other, one pencil sharpener, one blunt pair of scissors, 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers, 5 ballpoint pens, one box of 16 or 24 crayons, and one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " eraser. Items should be placed on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

COMMUNITY

MEALS-ON-WHEELS needs volunteer cooks, drivers and people to help assemble meals. **Cooks are especially needed for the 5th Tuesday and 5th Friday of the month**. If you have some spare time and can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR AUGUST: FRESH PRODUCE AND ANY NON-PERISHABLE FOODS; TOOTHPASTE, TOOTHBRUSHES, SHAMPOO, LOTION, BATH SOAP, OVER-THE-COUNTER PAIN AND COLD MEDICINES BAND-AIDS AND ANTIBIOTIC OINTMENT.

WE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF CASH, AND GIFT CARDS FOR LOCAL GROCERY AND DISCOUNT STORES

Address: P.O. Box 44, 114 N. Main St., Mifflintown, PA 17059 Phone #: 717-436-9718 Hours: Tuesday 9-12 & 2-6, Saturday 9-12

Our vestibule is open 24 hours a day to accept donations!

Contact person: Kathy Queitzsch Email: jcfoodpantry@embarqmail.com Visit our Website: www.jcfoodpantry.com

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JUNIATA COUNTY RADIO – On September 1, 2015 radio stations WJUN-FM Country 92.5 & WLZS-FM Wheels 106.1 will be leaving their studios in Mexico, Juniata County and moving to Lewistown and will be rebranded as Bigfoot Country 92 and Bigfoot Country 106. When this move was announced it left Juniata County high school sports without a local radio home, and, in order to fill this gap Steve Harris, Seth Hart (Shane Nelson), Pete Primak, and Central PA Alerts administrators have teamed up to form Juniata County Radio. This will make Juniata County sports available worldwide on the internet via www.juniatacountyradio.com while also keeping a radio station in Juniata County. The site is a long way from being finished; however, it will be up and running by the time high school sports begin in September. Once the sports portion of the site is up and running, a permanent Country Music and Oldies station will be added. More details will be made available as the site is developed. Nobody mentioned in this post has anything to do with the WJUN and WLZS relocation. We are filling the gap they will leave when the stations move.

SYNOD GROW Team – Save the Dates

September 13, 2015: God's Work, Our Hands Sunday

September 20, 2015: Knoebel's Day for the Synod

October 31, 2015: Building Youth Groups at Camp Mount Luther

November 21, 2015: Family Advent Night at Messiah in Williamsport

February 19-20 or 26-27, 2016: GROW in the SNOW Retreat at Camp Mount Luther

WATCH FOR DETAILS IN UPCOMING BULLETINS CLOSER TO THE DATES!!

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today:	-9:15 a.m., Summer worship/communion. -Organizational meeting for Confirmation Class following worship service.
Monday:	-NEWSLETTER DEADLINE. -8 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.
Tuesday:	-9 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall (meeting during Summer months for anyone who would like to help).
Wednesday:	-CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED (during July & Aug.). -6:30 p.m., Quiet Communion in Jr. Church Room.
Thursday:	-1 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal.
Sunday:	-9:15 a.m., Summer worship/communion.

-Worship & Music Committee meeting following worship service.