

The Divine Service

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 16, 2022

AS WE GATHER

Why does the world around us and the life we live not look anything like the reality Jesus talked about? Why is there no significant difference between the lives of those who call themselves Christians and the rest of the world? What kind of witness can we be in this world if we simply look the same as everyone else? If we are a poor representation of who God is, then what needs to change? What can we do? Rather than shrugging it off, isn't it time to change our perceptions about the followers of Jesus Christ? Today, we are putting God's words into practice. Lord lead us in the life You have made for us!

WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Pastor: Most merciful God,

People: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" LSB 686, verse 1 & 4



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to
4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less
How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me
tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.
an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

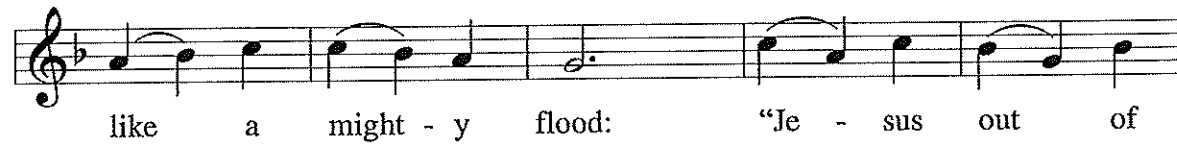
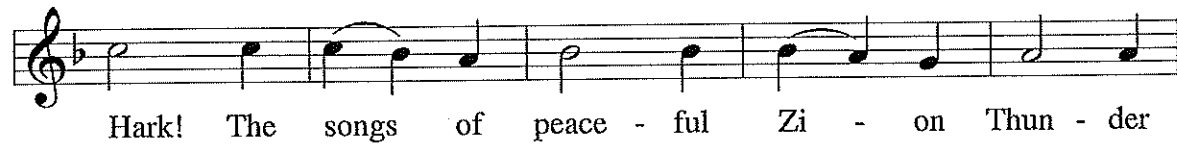
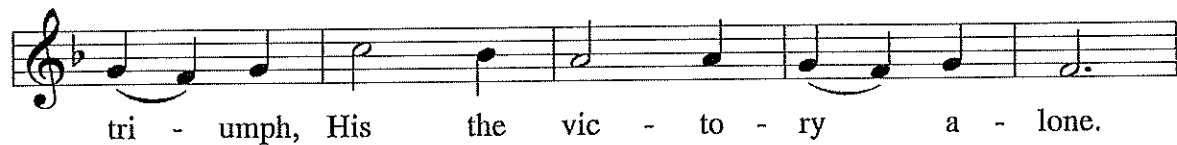
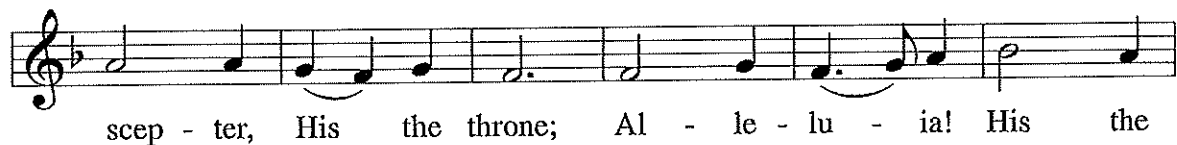
PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, You have given us Your Holy Word in Scripture, which reveals Your grace and mercy shown us in our Lord Jesus Christ. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit guide our daily response as we pray, praise, and give thanks; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"



THE OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 19:1-9 NIV

Reader: On the first day of the third month after the Israelites left Egypt—on that very day—they came to the Desert of Sinai. ² After they set out from Rephidim, they entered the Desert of Sinai, and Israel camped there in the desert in front of the mountain. ³ Then Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain and said, "This is what you are to say to the descendants of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: ⁴ 'You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, ⁶ you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites." ⁷ So Moses went back and summoned the elders of the people and set before them all the words the LORD had commanded him to speak. ⁸ The people all responded together, "We will do everything the LORD has said." So Moses brought their answer back to the LORD. ⁹ The LORD said to Moses, "I am going to come to you in a dense cloud, so that the people will hear me speaking with you and will always put their trust in you." Then Moses told the LORD what the people had said.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5-11 NIV

Reader: ⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:1-17 NIV

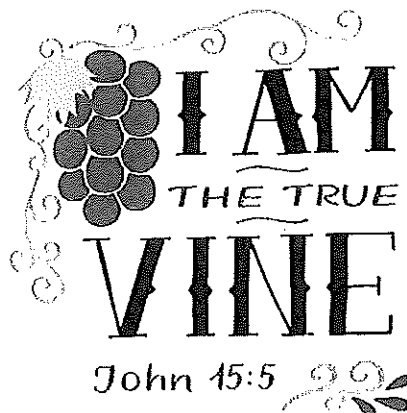
Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the fifteenth chapter.

People: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. 2 He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. 3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. 4 Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. 5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. 7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. 9 "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. 10 If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. 11 I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. 12 My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. 17 This is my command: Love each other.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**



HYMN OF THE DAY

"We All Are One In Mission"

VERSE 1

We all are one in mission
We all are one in call
Our varied gifts united
By Christ the Lord of all
A single great commission
Compels us from above
To plan and work together
That all may know Christ's love

VERSE 2

We all are called for service
To witness in God's name
Our ministries are different
Our purpose is the same
To touch the lives of others
By God's surprising grace
So ev'ry folk and nation
May feel God's warm embrace

VERSE 3

We all behold one vision
A stark reality
The author of salvation
Was nailed upon a tree
Yet resurrected Justice
Gives rise that we may share
Free reconciliation
And hope amid despair

VERSE 4

Now let us be united
And let our song be heard
Now let us be a vessel
For God's redeeming Word
We all are one in mission
We all are one in call
Our varied gifts united
By Christ the Lord of all

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SERMON

"Serving"

Pastor Scott Henze

APOSTLES' CREED

People: 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life (†) everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Petitions end, "Lord in your mercy" Congregation responds, "Hear Our Prayer"

OFFERING

"Love Lifted Me"

Adult Choir, 8:30 AM

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray: Merciful God,

People: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, 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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand as you are able.

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

A word about Holy Communion:
We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in this sacrament and believe that in this eating and drinking, we receive the forgiveness of sins and the power to amend our sinful lives. Children who have not yet been instructed may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over the chest thus indicating they will not receive the elements. For those who prefer a non-alcoholic option please know that the center of the communion tray is white grape juice. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

People: **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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PEACE OF THE LORD

John 20:19

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

The minister and congregation may greet one another with the peace of the Lord.

AGNUS DEI

John 1:29



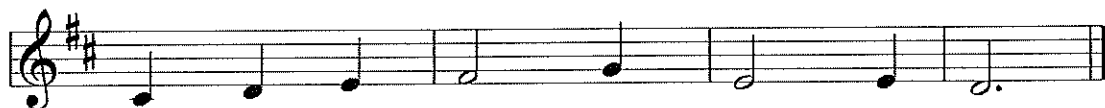
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;

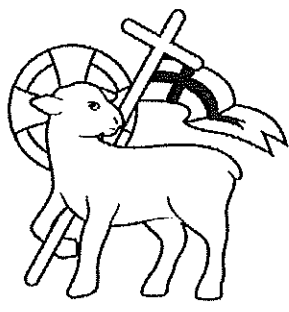


O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

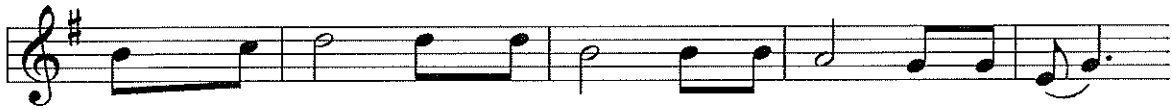
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1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;
2 When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws near



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
When my life is al - most gone,
And the day is al - most gone,



Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.
Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.
At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand,



Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.

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"Hear Us, Father, When We Pray"

LSB 773



1 Hear us, Fa - ther, when we pray, Through Your Son and
2 When we know not what to say And our wound - ed
3 Je - sus, ad - vo - cate on high, Sac - ri - ficed on
4 By Your Spir - it now at - tend To our prayers and



in Your Spir - it. By Your Spir - it's Word con - vey
souls are plead - ing, May Your Spir - it, night and day,
Cal - v'ry's al - tar, Through Your priest - ly blood we cry:
sup - pli - ca - tions, As like in - cense they as - cend



All that we through Christ in - her - it,
Groan with - in us in - ter - ced - ing;
Hear our prayers, though they may fal - ter;
To Your heav'n - ly hab - i - ta - tions.



That as bap - tized heirs we may Tru - ly pray.
By His sighs, too deep for words, We are heard.
Place them on Your Fa - ther's throne As Your own.
May their fra - grance waft a - bove, God of love.

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NUNC DIMITTIS



2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

LSB 924 Verses 1 & 3



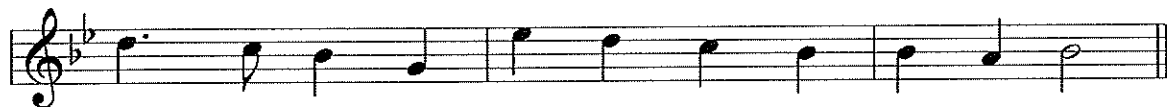
1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
3 Sav - ior, when Your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
pil - grim way, Let not fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us;
Glad Your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
may we ev - er Reign with You in end - less day.

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as...

People: Disciples making disciples.

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

If you have a prayer request we invite you to come up to the altar following the worship service to pray with a member of our prayer team.

UPCOMING EVENTS – SAVE THE DATE!

Friday, October 28

Trunk or Treat-6:00 PM-7:30 PM; Decorate your car and come out. Prize for the best trunk! Invite your friends and neighbors to come trick or treat too!

Friday, November 18

Trivia Night Fundraiser - 6:00 PM; Gather a team and compete! This longtime fun tradition raises funds for youth attending mission trips and youth gatherings.

Wednesday, November 23

Thanksgiving Eve Service - 7:30 PM; Gather together and give thanks. All donations this night will go to LifeNet4Families food pantry in Ft. Lauderdale.

Sunday, December 4

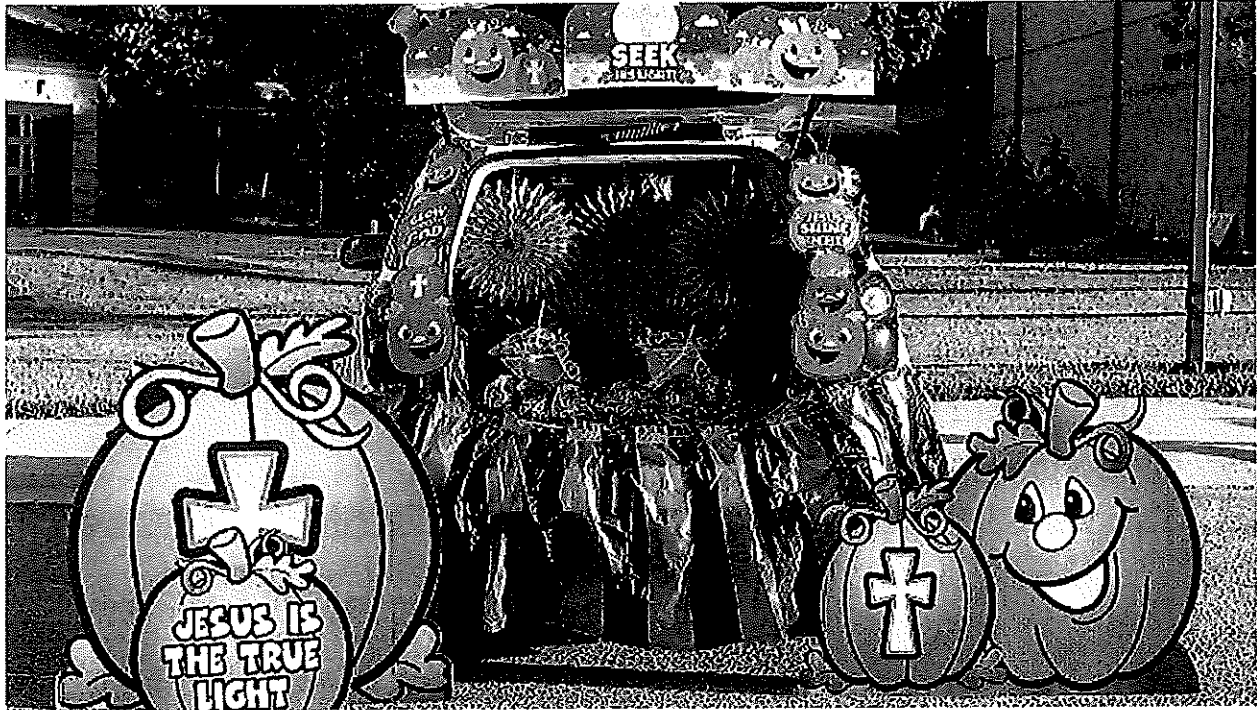
Drive Thru Live Nativity - 5:30 PM-8:30 PM; Experience the Christmas story narrated as you drive around the St. Paul campus. Live animals!

Sunday, December 11

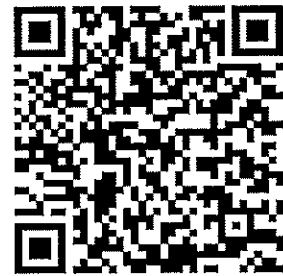
A Quiet Christmas– 7:00 PM; A evening of inspirational readings, music and song in preparation for the Birth of Christ. A holiday reception will follow the program.

Sunday, December 11

Kid's Choir Christmas Musical; 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM– Come hear the Christmas story delivered by the Kid's Choir during worship services.



TRUNK OR TREAT!
Friday, October 28
6:00 PM –7:30 PM



**Sign-up to bring
your car here!**

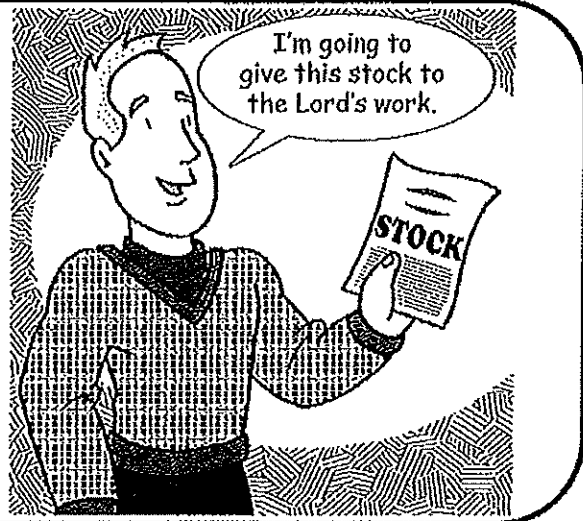
**Decorate your trunk and pass out candy
or just bring the kids and trick or treat!**

Contest for the best trunk!

**Fun, Fellowship and Food!
Hotdog and chips and more!**

**GOD CALLS US TO BE SERVANTS
WHO GIVE OF OURSELVES WITH-
OUT CONERN FOR RECOGNITION.**

“And He died for all, that those who live
should no longer live for themselves but
for Him Who died for them and was
raised again” (2 Corinthians 5:15).



Amen!

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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School for children and Youth at 9:45 AM

Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM



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