



March 11, 2018  
Children's Membership Sunday

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**REFLECTIONS**

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**Membership Commitments**

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving his displeasure and without hope except through his sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon him alone for salvation as he is offered in the gospel?
3. Do you resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes a follower of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the church, promising to promote its purity and peace?

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## GATHERING

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*Holy Is the Lord*

### Call to Worship

from Psalm 96, NIV

Leader: *Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise His name.*

People: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name.

### Welcome

Rev. Stephen Yates

*Come Thou Fount*

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## PROFESSING OUR FAITH

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### Prayer

Rebecca Heck  
Co-Director of Student Ministries

### Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

*Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth;

*Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord?*

I believe 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 to the dead.  
The third day He arose again;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

*Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?*

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.

\* that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places

### Charge to the Membership Class

### Membership Vows

Dr. Jimmy Agan

## **The Sacrament of Baptism**

### **Prayers for the Membership Class**

#### **Presentation of Bibles**

**Janet Eason**  
**Director of Children's Ministry**

#### **Passing of the Peace**

*The Peace of the Lord be always with you.*  
And also with you.

#### **Worship through Giving**

**Proverbs 3:9, NIV**

*I Surrender All*

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## **THE WORD**

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#### **Scripture Reading**

**Matthew 19:13-30, NIV**

Reader: Chuck Vogt, Ruling Elder

Then little children were brought to Jesus for Him to place His hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them.

<sup>14</sup> Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." <sup>15</sup> When He had placed His hands on them, He went on from there.

<sup>16</sup> Now a man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?"

<sup>17</sup> "Why do you ask Me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, obey the commandments."

<sup>18</sup> "Which ones?" the man inquired.

Jesus replied, "'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, <sup>19</sup> honor your father and mother,' and 'love your neighbor as yourself.'"

<sup>20</sup> "All these I have kept," the young man said. "What do I still lack?"

<sup>21</sup> Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow Me."

<sup>22</sup> When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth.

<sup>23</sup> Then Jesus said to His disciples, "I tell you the truth, it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>24</sup> Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

<sup>25</sup> When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished and asked, "Who then can be saved?"

<sup>26</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

<sup>27</sup> Peter answered Him, "We have left everything to follow You! What then will there be for us?"

<sup>28</sup> Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. <sup>29</sup> And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for My sake will receive a

hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. <sup>30</sup>But many who are first will be last, and many who are last will be first.

*The Word of the Lord.*  
Thanks be to God.

**Meditation**

**Dr. Jimmy Agan**

**For Us and Our Salvation: The Kingdom of Jesus**

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## **COMMUNION**

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### **Distribution of the Bread and Cup**

All Communion bread is gluten-free.

Trays contain wine in the middle and grape juice in the outer rim.

Please hold the elements until everyone is served and we will all take them together.

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## **SENDING**

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*10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)*

**Benediction**

**Psalm 90:16-17a, NIV**

*Loving our community to life by pursuing gospel restoration*