

Let every man and woman count himself immortal. Let him catch the revelation of Jesus in his resurrection. Let him say not merely, 'Christ is risen,' but 'I shall rise.'

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"Allegro from Handel's Water Music"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come to the fountain of life.

People: Come to the streams of mercy.

Leader: Come, dip in the reservoir of forgiveness,

People: Immerse yourself in the waters of healing.

Leader: Come, be renewed by the eternal springs,

People: Be filled with overflowing blessing.

Leader: Come, walk beside still waters,

People: Be empowered by the rivers of justice.

Leader: Come, all who are yearning for meaning, hoping for truth, thirsting for God.

People: Here, find your thirst quenched and your joy expanded.

AMEN.

***HYMN "Because He Lives".....no. 292**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Just and merciful God: While we witness the sacrament of baptism, symbol of your cleansing grace and of our reception into the family of faith, we are painfully conscious of the distance between your holiness and our humanity. We fail to love our loved ones consistently and constructively. We deny responsibility for the misery of stricken strangers; unwanted children, the homeless, the elderly poor.

By our participation in this sacrament of acceptance and welcome, help us to become more accepting and welcoming of others. We pray in the name of him whose invitation to the waters of baptism and to renewal of spirit includes all God's children; through Jesus Christ, our gracious Lord. AMEN

+SILENT PRAYER

(please use this time to confess your own personal sin)

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God's grace reaches out to touch us and make us children of God. By God's grace we are all forgiven!

People: May we have faith to live God's grace each day. AMEN!

***GLORIA PATRI.....no. 142**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON Acts 2:37-42 pg. 886

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Sanctuary"*

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:23-35 pg. 860

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Easton James LaSalle

***THE CREED.....inside front cover of hymnal**

***HYMN "Jesus Loves Me".....no. 226**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *"Air from Handel's Water Music"*

***OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 382**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION and THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN "Revive Us Again".....no. 574**

Let There be Peace on Earth.....no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE *"Hornpipe from Handel's Water Music"*

(Those who are able please *- stand, +-kneel)

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Altar Guild Workers.....Sylvia Leach and Linda Coventry

Greeters.....Greg and Cindy Grill

Head Usher.....Deb Hedrick

The Altar flowers are given in memory of the Bixler and Youndt families by Georgean and Craig Bixler.

PRAYER REQUESTS

While we pray for those whose needs we know, let us also pray for those whose needs remain silent.

Doris Fultz	Kathy Schlegel	Christian Gress
Alan LaBelle	family of Alverta Kilhefner	Patty Gaudette
Art Pannebecker		

The Peace Church Choir will be singing at the Barnstormers Baseball game on Saturday, June 17th. Game time is 6:30 pm. For more information see John Haldeman or Pat Acebo.

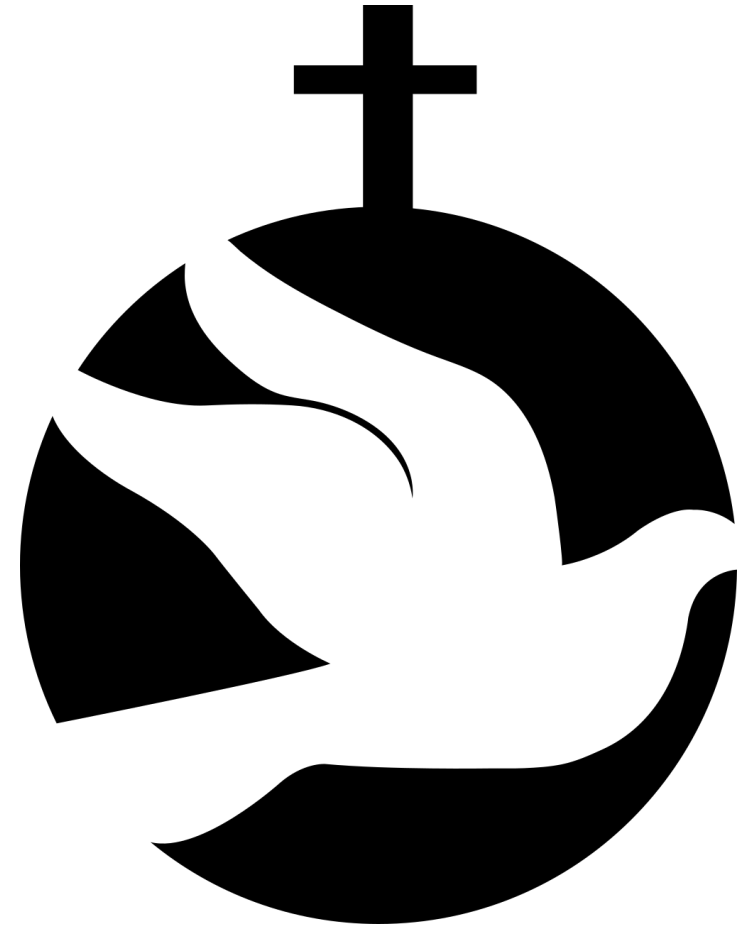
National Day of Prayer Community Breakfast will be held at Weaver's Market Banquet facility on Thursday, May 4, 2017 from 7:00 am to 9:00 am. The cost of the event is \$10.00 and tickets may be purchased from Vicki Garner-Sweigart.

The Wednesday morning work crew is looking for more volunteers to help with the spring work. Please see John Haldeman for more information.

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 30th – Celebration of Baptism – 10:30 am
Tuesday, May 2nd – Bible Study – 1:00 pm
Health and Welfare Meeting – 6:30 pm
Thursday, May 4th – National Day of Prayer Breakfast - 7:00 am
Tuesday, May 9th – Bible Study – 1:00 pm
Council Meetings – 6:30 & 7:00 pm
Wednesday, May 17th – Marketing Meeting – 7:00 pm
Sunday, May 28th – Vesper Service and Fellowship – 6:00 pm
Monday, May 29th – Memorial Day Service of Remembrance – 11:00 am

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**Baptism of Easton James LaSalle
April 30, 2017**