

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

Sunday School.....9:15 AM
Worship Service.....10:45 AM

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Sunday, August 23 6-7PM
Sunday, September 6 6-7PM
Sunday, September 20 6-7PM
Sunday, October 4 6-7PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Session Meeting | Location TBD | September 16th
Church Camping Trip | Outflow Campground | September 18th, 19th

Nursery Worker Schedule

Sunday, August 16 Peter Green and Mary Felton
Sunday, August 23.....Megan Green and Sam Long
Sunday, August 30.....Cynthia Brooks and Lindsay Downs
Sunday, September 6.....Jessica Hovingh and Chris Cook

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Elders

John Downs, *Teaching Elder*
Bob Niichel, *Ruling Elder, Clerk*
Nathan Harlan, *Ruling Elder*

Deacons

Brady Hillegas
Dave Felton

Lord's Day Worship
August 16, 2026

Q1 2026	Q2 2026	YTD 2026
\$ 64,404.00	\$ 51,531.00	\$ 115,935.00
\$ 7,068.00	\$ (5,805.00)	\$ 1,263.00

Mercy Giving



***We are so glad that you have joined us today
to worship the Triune God!***



**Celebrating the Gospel of Jesus Christ
in Worship, Community & Mission**

*“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.”*
2 Peter 3:18

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95:1-11

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†WORSHIPING GOD IN SONG

Come Thou Fount

How Firm A Foundation

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

O Living God, Our sin is to look on our faults and be discouraged, or to look on our good and be puffed up. We fall short of thy glory every day by spending hours unprofitably, by thinking that the things we do are good, when they are not done to thy end, nor spring from the rules of thy Word. Our sin is to fear what never will be; we forget to submit to thy will, and fail to be quiet there. But Scripture teaches us that thy active will reveals a steadfast purpose on our behalf, and this quiets our souls, and makes us love thee. Keep us always in the understanding that saints mourn more for sin than other men, for when they see how great is thy wrath against sin, and how Christ's death alone pacifies that wrath, that makes them mourn the more. Help us to see that although we are in the wilderness it is not all briars and barrenness. We have bread from heaven, streams from the rock, light by day, fire by night, thy dwelling place and thy mercy seat. It's through Jesus Christ our Lord that we pray this, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:20–21 “Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

†WORSHIPING GOD IN SONG

Psalm 63

†CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism #23 and #24

WORSHIPING GOD IN OUR GIVING

I Will Praise You Again

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIPING GOD IN THE PROCLAMATION OF HIS WORD

“Cast Down Yet Lifted Up” Psalm 42:1-11 by Rev. John Downs

WORSHIPING GOD AROUND THE LORD'S TABLE IN THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

†SONG OF RESPONSE

All I Have Is Christ

†BENEDICTION

†DOXOLOGY

† Congregation standing, as you are able

Sermon Notes

Title: “Cast Down Yet Lifted Up” by Rev. John Downs

Text: Psalm 42:1-11

How do I worship God when I am both dry and drowning?

I. Dryness v. 1-5

II. Drowning v. 6-11

Application – “But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves” (James 1:22).

Our responsibility, by God's grace and power, is to consistently apply the truths of God's Word that we have heard to our lives (Phil. 2:1-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on the sermon and this passage of Scripture, ask yourself these questions:

- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there an example to follow?
- Is there a promise to claim?
- Is there a sin to avoid?
- Is there a principle to follow?