



August 16, 2009  
**Worship at the Cross:**  
 A Jesus Cares Ministries  
 Worship Service  
 The service begins.



Minister: We light the candle to remind us that Jesus is always with us. We ring the bell to remind us that this is the time that:  
 we listen to His Word,  
 sing to Him, and  
 pray to Him together.

**Opening Song**

**#512 "Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds"**

- Let children hear the mighty deeds  
 Which God performed of old,  
 Which in our younger years we saw.  
 And which our fathers told.
- Make unto them His glories known,  
 His works of pow'r and grace,  
 And we'll convey His wonders down  
 Through ev'ry rising race.
- Our lips shall tell them to our sons  
 And they again to theirs  
 That generations yet unborn  
 May teach them to their heirs.
- Oh, teach them with all diligence  
 The truths of God's own Word,  
 To place in Him their confidence,  
 To fear and trust their Lord.
- To learn that in our God alone  
 Their hope securely stands,  
 That they may ne'er forget His works,  
 But walk in His commands.

**Invocation**

Minister: We begin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Prayer**

Minister: Dear heavenly Father,  
 Come and be with us today. Bless our worship:  
 Give us understanding as we listen to Your Word.  
 Give us joy as we sing to Your glory and praise.  
 Give us peace as we bring our prayers to You. We ask this in Jesus' name.  
**All: Amen.**

**We confess our sins and receive forgiveness.**

Minister: Dear children of God,  
 Our God is holy. He does not sin.  
 Our God is holy. He does not want us to sin.



We are sinners.  
 We do what God tells us not to do.  
 We fail to do what God tells us to do.

Let us tell God that we have sinned with these words:  
*God, I have sinned.*

**All: God, I have sinned.**

Minister: Let us tell God that we are sorry we have sinned with these words:  
*God, I am sorry.*

**All: God, I am sorry.**

Minister: Jesus died on the cross for you.  
 Jesus' death pays for your sins.  
 You can be certain these words are true when you say:  
*Jesus died for me.*

**All: Jesus died for me.**

Minister: Through faith in Jesus,  
 God forgives all your sins.  
 Let us tell the good news in this way:  
*God forgives me.*

**All: God forgives me.**

**We respond to God's forgiveness.**

Minister: As forgiven children of God let us pray.



**Prayer**

Minister: Dear heavenly Father, We thank You for sending Jesus to die on the cross for us. Now we know that we have forgiveness for all our sins. Now we know that we are Your people. Now we know that we will live with You in heaven someday.  
**All: Amen.**

**We hear God's Word.**

We "DIVE IN" to God's Word with the VBS Children!:



Children Sing the Theme Song: "DIVE IN!"

**THE ULTIMATE SNAKE IN THE GRASS/WATER/TREE!**

Children Sing: "Do You Want To Hear A Story?"

**THE ONE WHO ALWAYS KNEW RIGHT FROM WRONG!**

Younger Children Sing: "Right From Wrong."

**THE ONE WHO MADE RIGHT OUR WRONGS.**

Children Sing: "My Sins Have Been Agiven."

**THE ONE WHO PROTECTS AND PROVIDES FOR US.**

Children Sing: "Give Thanks To God!"

**THE ONES WHO HELP OTHERS ON "PORPOISE."**

HYMN 118: "O Dearest Lord, Thy Sacred Head..."

Congregation verses 1 & 4; Children verses 2 & 3

- O dearest Lord, Thy sacred head With thorns was pierced for me;  
 Oh, pour Thy blessing on my head That I may think for Thee.
- O dearest Lord, Thy sacred hands With nails were pierced for me.  
 Oh, shed Thy blessing on my hands That they may work for Thee.
- O dearest Lord, Thy sacred feet With nails were pierced for me.  
 Oh, pour Thy blessing on my feet That they may follow Thee.
- O dearest Lord, Thy sacred heart With spear was pierced for me;  
 Oh, pour Thy Spirit in my heart That I may live for Thee.

**We respond to God's Word.**

**Apostles' Creed**

Minister: Let us respond to God's Word by telling everyone what we believe about God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We tell everyone that we believe in God the Father with these words:  
*I believe in God the Father.*

**All: I believe in God the Father.**



Minister: God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

We tell everyone that we believe in God the Son, Jesus Christ, with these words:  
*I believe in Jesus Christ.*

**All: I believe in Jesus Christ.**

Minister: 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

We tell everyone that we believe in God the Holy Spirit with these words:  
*I believe in the Holy Spirit.*

**All: I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

Minister: 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.

Congregation Sing CW #516

You parents, hear what Jesus taught  
When little ones to Him were brought;  
"Forbid them not, but heed My plea,  
And let the children come to Me."

Obey your Lord, and let His truth  
Be taught your children in their youth  
That they in church and school may dwell  
And learn their Savior's praise to tell.

For if you love them as you ought,  
To Christ your children will be brought.  
If thus you place them in His care,  
You and your household well shall fare.

### Offering

Minister: God gives us all we have and all we need. We show that we are thankful by giving our offerings to God.

*(Offerings are collected and brought to the front of the church.)*

Minister: Let us pray.

### Lord's Prayer

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.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are Yours  
now and forever. Amen.

**The service ends.**

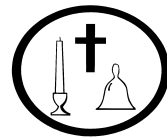
### Benediction

### Closing Song

By children: Our hands we fold,  
our heads we bow,  
For food and drink we ask You now.  
By All: Our hands we fold,  
our heads we bow,  
For food and drink we thank You now.  
We thank You now.

*(After the closing song, the bell is rung, and the candle is extinguished.)*

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glory of God.*



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## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### **Meditation Theme for the week:**

**“Faith In The Bread Of Life”**

August Offering Counters:

D. Glodowski, K. Graen

Today 9:00 VBS Closing Service and  
Church Picnic,

Tues. 7:00 Vision Task Force

Wed 6:30 Lawn Mowing:  
D. Carstensen, J. Steinbach  
6:30 Sunday School Teachers Meeting

Fri. 9:00 Bible Class

**Next Sun. - 6:30am Time of Grace, TV ch 9**  
Wise Penny Work Day

**The flowers on the altar** were given in thanksgiving to God on the occasion of their anniversary by Leonard and Karen Smith. We congratulate them and thank them for beautifying our Service with flowers.

**Sunday School starts September 13<sup>th</sup>!**(4 weeks from today). We begin with devotion and singing in the chapel at promptly 8:45am. We are trying a program to promote timely arrival of the children: There will be a grab bag prize after each calendar month for the children who arrived on time each week of the month.

**A Second Bible Class will be offered each Sunday morning, 8:55am.** Duke Carstensen will teach an adult version of the Bible Lesson the children receive. This will be great for parents and grandparents who want to be able to review with the children what they are learning week by week. We will be studying the Old

Testament this entire coming school year. For any other adults it will serve as a solid review and deeper personal application of God’s Bible History. **All adults** are encouraged to join the children for their opening devotion beginning at 8:45am.

**For the other Bible Class** – Pastor and Elders are taking suggestions for topics.

Our Thanks To Those Who Helped With Vacation Bible School:

Lesson Teachers: Duke Carstensen(grades 2-7) and Heather Holub(Prek-1<sup>st</sup> grade)  
Arts & Crafts: Jean Holub  
Games & Projections: Katie Koch  
Aides: Jovy Cheam, Kelli DeShaw, Lydia Kroh, Jessica McCoy,  
Snack time: Cindy Boyd  
Thanks to the DeShaws for the donation of cookies.

Bible Stories, interactive activities, theme-related crafts, and music were part of this exciting five-day program. **It was oceans of fun!**

We had a total of 23 different children attend throughout the week, with an average of 17 students each of the five days. Offerings from the children totaled \$110.00

We have great seats for the **Twins' Thrivent Night game**, 7pm, on August 26th against the Baltimore Orioles! They are in section 224 right behind home plate in the upper deck. Please pay Pastor or Jean today and get your tickets. All of the tickets are sold.

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**Last Sunday** Worship Attendance: 57  
Offering: \$1,900.00  
VBS Attendance: 17 average  
Offering: \$110.00  
Offerings YTD: \$76,715  
(Budget: \$79,515) short: -\$2,800  
Needed for Budget Week - **\$2,565**