

Worship Service for Sunday, June 15, 2014

Gathering

Congregational Songs H 651 I owe the Lord a morning song
H 293 God sends us the Spirit

Call to Worship

Leader: All who thirst come to the water

Come, all who are weary,

Come all who yearn for forgiveness.

People: The Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ
Has washed over us,
And our gracious and holy God
Beckons and blesses us.

Leader: Drink deeply of these living waters.

People: Glory to you, O Lord, glory to you.

Praising

Congregational Songs H 311 The Church's one foundation
H 366 God of grace and God of glory

Congregational Sharing and Announcements

Confessing

Prayer of Confession H 691

Passing the Peace

Offering

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading Acts 11:19-30; Galatians 2:11-14

Sermon Esther

Sending

Sending Song H 306 In Christ there is no east or west

Words of Blessing

Worship Leader: Joan

Song Leader: Mo

Accompanist: Deb

HWB –blue “Hymnal”, STJ – green “Sing the Journey”
STS – purple “Sing the Story”

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Aberdeen Food Bank** - meets next on June 28.
- **July 4-6, 2014** - EMC Convention at U of M, Winnipeg, “Encounter with God”. Please consider volunteering.



Birthdays This Week: Kan June 15
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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **FINANCIAL UPDATE** - As of last Sunday we've received 41% of our donation budget for the year. By the end of June we will be at the halfway point in the year and so should be at 50% of our budget. To reach that we require \$8,424 in donations by the end of June. Thanks for your continued giving!
- Our supply of songbooks is decreasing. Please check at home to see if you have extra copies that could be returned to the church.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for our students and their parents as another school year comes to a close. Pray for strength as they finish assignments and final exams and for safety as they participate in end of year activities.
- Pray for EMC convention planners and volunteers as they make final preparations for the convention.
- Pray for Peter and Leona's nephew, Ryan, who continues to heal from the spinal surgery he had last November. Pray for his ongoing recovery.



Coffee for next week June 22 Ron and Shirley

Acts 11:19-30

Now those who were scattered (because of the persecution that took place over Stephen) traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, and they spoke the word to no one except Jews.

But among them were some men of Cyprus and Cyrene who, on coming to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists also, proclaiming the Lord Jesus. The hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number became believers and turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he rejoiced, and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast devotion; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were brought to the Lord.

Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for an entire year they met with the church and taught a great many people, and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called “Christians.”

At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul.

Galatians 2:11-14

But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood self-condemned; for until certain people came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But after they came, he drew back and kept himself separate for fear of the circumcision faction. And the other Jews joined him in this hypocrisy, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. But when I saw that they were not acting consistently with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, “If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews?”