

**CONGREGATION:** We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members, together with you in The Body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the Ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and Our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

**OFFERTORY**

**#DOXOLOGY #95**

**#OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**#HYMN OF PREPARATION "SPIRIT SONG" TUMH#347**

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**#CLOSING HYMN "SHINE, JESUS, SHINE" TFWS #2173**

**#BLESSING**

**#SONG OF SENDING FORTH**

**"LET US NOW DEPART IN THY PEACE" TUMH # 668**

**POSTLUDE**

**LEAVING FOR SERVICE**

**SHARING THE PEACE**

**WORSHIP ENDS**

**SERVICE BEGINS**

**This Week's Activities**

	<b>Thursday 9:00 AM VBS</b>
<b>Sunday 10:00 AM</b> Worship/ Confirmation	6:00 PM Intensified Prayer Meeting
	<b>Friday 9:00 AM VBS</b>
<b>Monday 4:00 PM</b> Intercessory Prayer	<b>Saturday 5:30</b> Worship
9:00 AM VBS STARTS	
<b>Tuesday 9:00 AM</b> VBS	<b>JUNE 9-12 IOWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE</b>
<b>Wednesday 9:00 AM</b> VBS	
1:30 PM Parc Hall Dev.	



*Emmetsburg*

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**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**

**Saturday, June 3, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, June 4, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.**



**"For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him." —Colossians 1: 16**

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**GATHERING OF THE CHURCH**  
**MUSICAL PRELUDE, BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**  
**GREETING, ANNOUNCEMENT**

# indicates to stand if you are able

**# CALL TO WORSHIP**

**LEADER:** Today, we will fulfill a promise.

**PEOPLE:** Today we confirm our youth in the Christian faith.

**LEADER:** When they are born, we promise infants a place to grow and learn about our faith.

**PEOPLE:** At Baptism, we promise to support the parents as they seek to be role models of Christian living. We promise to be role models as well

**LEADER:** Today is the day our promises are fulfilled!

**ALL TOGETHER:** Let us rejoice as we welcome our youth as maturing Christians and full members!

**#OPENING HYMN** "NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD" TUMH #102

**# OPENING PRAYER** (UNISON)

Gracious God, thank you for the privilege of sharing our faith with our children. Especially we are grateful for the chance to share in their confirmation today. We are honored to have the opportunity to serve as teachers, mentors, parents, and family members for these young people. Pour blessings upon them today O God, and help us to continue to support their growing faith at the same time we receive their gifts and abilities in our congregation. In Jesus' name we pray, A-men.

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** (Sunday)

**# SCRIPTURE READING** PSALM 100

**#PRAISE & WORSHIP** SHEKINAH PRAISE TEAM

**MESSAGE OF LIFE** Pastor Louie

**JOYS-CONCERNS- PRAYERS**

**CONFIRMATION**

**THE HISTORIC QUESTIONS AND PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**# CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES**

**PASTOR:** Do you as Christ's Body , the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

**CONGREGATION:** We do

**PASTOR:** Will you nurture one another in the Christian Faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

**CONGREGATION:** With God's help we will proclaim the Good News and live according to the example of Jesus. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the Way that leads to life.

**# THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth  
And 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. On the third day He rose again;  
He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
And will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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  
*(catholic means universal.. the UMC is not a "Roman" catholic church  
but a part of the Universal Christian church)*

**CONFIRMATION & LAYING ON OF HANDS**

**SONG OFFERING** 2017 CONFIRMANDS

**# RESPONSE OF THE CONGREGATION**

**MINISTER:** Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope and perfect them in love.