

**Edgerton UMC: Making Christ Known**

**11th Sunday After Pentecost**

**Sunday, August 20, 2017**

**10:30 am Worship**

(\* Please Stand as Able

**Bold Print All Say In Unison**

*Wisdom from Fellow Pilgrims:* “I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else... The Christian does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us... To be a Christian means to forgive the inexcusable because God has forgiven the inexcusable in you.” — C.S. Lewis

**GREETING** Please Sign and Pass Welcome Pad

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Steven D. Zych

**BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**

**SONG** “*This Little Light of Mine*” SB #124

**SCRIPTURE** John 3:16-17

**CALL TO PRAYER – Why I Am a Christian**

L: I am a Christian because...

**P: I believe the accounts of the Apostles – the eyewitnesses regarding Jesus’ life, death, and resurrection. They witnessed the miracles of healing; they were there when he was arrested; they watched as he died; they were witnesses to his resurrection; and their lives radically changed because they knew and loved him.**

L: I am a Christian because...

**P: I believe Christianity offers the most complete and authentically human way to live. It challenges us to sacrifice something of ourselves for other people. It calls us to live a life of love.**

L: I am a Christian because...

**P: the picture of God painted by Jesus is the most authentic, moving, compelling picture of God - and God’s love for us – offered by any of the major religion.**

L: I am a Christian

**P: because of the redemptive power given us through Christ. Christ offers forgiveness – not cheap acceptance, but costly grace. Upon receiving that grace, people like me are changed; and a new life begins.**

L: I am a Christian...

**P: because of the hope I have through Christ’s resurrection from the grave and the promises of the Bible regarding my own life after death.**

L: Finally, I am a Christian...

**P: because I felt Christ’s presence in my life. I have known what it is to be lost and then found. The most profound experiences of my life – love, hope, joy and contentment – all relate to my faith and my personal experience of Christ.**

**SONG** “*Everyday Blessings*” SB #47

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**SCRIPTURE** Who Am I in Christ? Selected Scriptures

**MESSAGE & DISCUSSION** Christianity as told by Adam Hamilton

**OFFERTORY**  
**CALYPSO DOXOLOGY**

**SONG** “*I Have Decided*” SB #50

**BENEDICTION**

**O God, I yield all that I am and all that I have to you. Help me to know, to love, and to follow you. Fill me with your Spirit and draw me to you. Grant me wisdom to understand your ways. Help me to love you with all that is within me. Help me to love my neighbor as I love myself. Help me to listen to, to learn from, and to love them. Help me to share my faith, first through my actions and then through my words. All of this I pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**SONG** “*Benediction*” SB #5

# Coffee Fellowship

Please join us for a time of fellowship in Fellowship Hall immediately after 9:00 AM Worship. Fellowship Hall is located below the Sanctuary: go down the front steps – pass the elevator – make a left – go down the steps - Fellowship Hall is on your left – under the sanctuary.

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday thru Thursday  
2:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
CLOSED MONDAY

FRIDAY – By Appointment

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## Our Mission:

“To Make Christ Known!”

Our church is to be a place where love is present, hurts are healed, joys and concerns are shared and supported by prayer.

Our Church serves our community and the world, by realizing and sharing the satisfying and abundant life Christ brings to ALL people - regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, national origin, culture, tradition, family configuration, economic status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

## In Ministry –

The People of Edgerton UMC

### Assistants to the Congregation

Pastor: Barbara Wells

Lay Leader: Mark Gausman

Organist (9:00): Nancy Dickinson

Music (10:30): Steven Zych – Guitar

Ed Hunt – Bass, Banjo, Guitar

Nancy Dickinson - Keyboard

Administrative Assistant: Daphne Marquardt

Coffee Hour Chair: Jo Peterson

Sanctuary Care: Margaret Tadder and Linda Young

Kids Club (Wednesday Nights) – Michelle Davis

Kids Church (9:00 AM) – Barb Gausman

## The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost - Christianity and World Religions



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