# Order of Worship

NOTES:

Prelude Stephan Daming

Power in the Blood Song

**Call to Worship** Sara Don Bailey

Leader: Rejoice in God always! Again I say rejoice!

People: Rejoice in God's steadfast love. Leader: Rejoice in Christ's enduring grace. People: Rejoice in God's saving word.

Leader: Rejoice in the Spirit's gentle guidance. People: Rejoice in god's healing presence. Leader: Rejoice in God always! Again I say rejoice!

Welcome

CH543\* Song Blessed Assurance

†Centering & Lord's Prayer

Children's Moment Holly Fugua

Sermon: Water & Spirit Michael Swartzentruber

John 3:1-17

CH214\* Song Rock of Ages

Communion

Gluten free bread in small cups on tray

**Elders:** Emily Burden, Becky Burklow

Generosity Doxology

I'll Fly Away Song

**Benediction** 

Postlude

**Deacons Serving This Week** 

Prepare & Serve-Angie Kerrick, Neva Graves, Crystal Butcher Distribute & Serve-Sara Don Bailey Serve & Clean-Patrick McKenzie, Angie Morton, Clay Morton







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<sup>†</sup> Prayer list available in church foyer on glass table and online at www.southelkhorncc.org/prayer-list

<sup>\*</sup>Chalice Hymnals (CH) are located near the stairs at the back of the worship area.



## Welcome!

We are an open table people. That means all are welcome here. No matter your past dilemmas or present challenges, no matter your age or race, no matter your gender or political party: we want you to be creative, bold, generous, and make a difference. We hope God unleashes your passion and gifts because the world sorely needs them. We are eager for you to wonder, question, explore and grow. Most of all, we want to journey with you in the adventure of Christ's love. We are glad you're here!

> Michael Swartzentruber Senior Minister

# October 15, 2017

#### If you are a guest with us today

- We hope you feel at home here, so relax and be yourself.
- We would love to know you are with us today. Please fill out a Connection Card (located in the seat pocket of the chair in front of you). You can drop it in the offering plate during service or leave it at the Welcome Center in the foyer.
- Let us know how we can share more about our church, plug you in, and pray for you.

## Explore South Elkhorn

#### November 5 • Room 108 • 5:00 PM

Join us for our gathering of newcomers and curious souls. Meet our team, engage in conversation, and find your place in our spiritual community. For more information or to RSVP, please fill out the connection card or contact the church office: admin@southelkhorncc.org.

# Children's Worship & Wonder

After the children's sermon, children age 3 to Grade 3 are invited to hear a sacred story, wonder about its meaning, & gather together for a feast (rooms 203 & 209).

## Nursery

Nursery is available for children ages 6 weeks to two years during Sunday School & worship (rooms 214 & 215).

## Our Staff

Michael Swartzentruber **Senior Minister** 

Holly Fugua Associate Minister

Sara Don Bailey Ministry Intern

Kyla Burkhardt Lead Children's Coordinator Chris Weiss **Music Minister** 

Diana Vetter **Music Associate** 

Stephan Daming Pianist

**Nursery:** 

Woggon

Stephanie Chavez, Jennai Mitchell, & Hannah

Kim Skidmore Little Elks Director

Alyssa Parrett **Youth Ministry Intern** 

Stasia Kruse Administrator

Andres Caban

**Children's Coordinators:** Danielle Evans, Aly Partain, &

# Life Together



#### **Serve Day**

#### Saturday • October 21 • 8:00 AM • Lady Veterans Connect

Share your love, energy, and skills. Live out your faith in "a family of faith united in service." We will meet at South Elkhorn at 8:00 AM. The Lady Veterans Connect seeks to provide hope, homes, and healing. Everyone (ages 12 and up) will have something important to do. Contact Dale Warren at 401-2789 or dale.warren@uky.edu.



#### **October is Pastor Appreciation Month**

We have had a great initial response to Pastor Appreciation Month! Let's continue to show our love and appreciation to Michael and Holly throughout all of October as we celebrate their leadership at SECC. Cards will be available at the Welcome Center before and after church each Sunday to write expressions of gratitude to our pastors. Stop by for more ideas on how you can show your appreciation or share your ideas with us!



#### Children's Sabbath

#### Sunday • October 22 • 10:30 AM • Christian Ministry Center

This is a wonderful occasion as our children lead us in worship. We invite you to come early to get a good seat. Please bring your family and friends!



#### All Church Trunk or Treat

#### Sunday • October 29 • 5:00 PM • Back Field

Enjoy a Sunday evening and decorate the trunk of your car and pass out candy. Bring a picnic dinner, drinks, chairs, s'mores fixings and gather around the fire pits. Don't forget to wear your costume.

# New Sermon Series



October 15 Water & Spirit John 3:1-17

October 22 Children's Sabbath Mark 10:13-16

October 29 Water & Life John 4:1-30

> Bulletin & sermon audio available at southelkhorncc.org/sermons

# Children & Youth

Tiny Tots (Age 2 - Pre K) Children (Grades K - 5) **Youth** (Grades 6 - 12)

#### Regular evening programs tonight

4:40 PM Children's Choir 5:00 PM Open Gym & Snack 5:30 PM Activities 6:30 PM Pick Up

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

Sunday November 19 All Church Movie 5:00 PM Hidden Figures

### Sermon

**Beginning Again: Water & Spirit** John 3:1-17

Focus Verse: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "

John 3:16



The Deposition Michelangelo c.1547-1555

#### Big Idea:

- From fixed to fluid faith
- Born again from above
- Why did it have to be snakes?
- Gaining altitude

## Discussion Questions

- 1. Read the passage carefully and slowly. What image or word stands out to you? Why?
- 2. What do the words "born again" mean to you? Would you describe yourself that way?
- 3. How might a "fixed faith" short-circuit your spirituality?
- 4. What are the challenges and opportunities of a "fluid faith"?