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Order of Worship

Prelude

Song *Come, Thou Almighty King* CH27

Call to Worship Cameron Young

Leader: Gravity pulls us toward the earth, and yet every day we defy gravity...

All: When we rise, with each step we take, or with a head held high.

Leader: Cultural gravity pulls us away from each other in fear and selfish ambition, and yet God invites us to defy gravity...

All: By doing justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with God.

Leader: Social gravity spins us away from our holy calling, and yet God invites us to defy gravity...

All: By rising with love, taking steps of forgiveness, and holding up the dignity of others.

Welcome

Song *'Tis the Gift to Be Simple* CH568

†Centering & Lord's Prayer

Children's Moment Aly Partain

Sermon *Discovering Gravity* Matthew 19:16-26 Michael Swartzentruber

Song *Nearer My God to Thee* CH577

Communion

Gluten free communion available in small cup on each tray

Elders: Janet Connell, Beth Daugherty

Generosity Angela Webb

Song *Standing on the Promises* CH552

Benediction

Postlude

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

*Chalice Hymnals (CH) are located near the stairs at the back of the worship.

Deacons Serving This Week

Prepare & Serve-Melena VanArsdall, Jess Chesnut, Mike Chesnut

Distribute & Serve-Michael Lewis

Serve & Clean-Gage Minke, Clay Morton, Angie Morton



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September 9, 2018

If you are a guest with us today

- We hope you feel at home here, so relax and be yourself.
- We would love to follow up with you. Please fill out and tear off the **Connection Card** to your right. You can place it in the offering plate during service or on the glass table in the foyer.
- Let us know how we can share more about our church, plug you in, and pray for you.

Explore **South Elkhorn**

September 30 • Room 108 • 5:00 PM

Gathering of newcomers and curious souls. Meet the team, engage in conversation, and find your place in the church 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).

Life Together



Defying Gravity

Stewardship Campaign • September 9-30

Stewardship co-chairs, Angela Webb and Michael Lewis, invite South Elkhorn to engage prayerfully in supporting the mission and ministry of Christ's church. Estimate of Giving cards can be turned in to the offering plate, church office or by email to Treasurer, leemarksbury@gmail.com.



Drive Through Bethlehem Meeting

Today • Following Worship • Room 211

Learn how you can be involved, bring your creativity, and share your ideas in preparation for this year's presentation of the birth story of Christ.



Consignment Sale

Friday • September 14 • 9:00 AM-8:00 PM

Saturday • September 15 • 8:00 AM-Noon

For serving opportunities email: kidsconsignmentsale@gmail.com. Your help is especially needed on Friday morning to make this event a success.



All Church Kick Off Sunday

Sunday • September 16 • 5:00 PM

Enjoy a fun afternoon with your church family at Shillito Park, Shelter #2. Bring a picnic meal, drinks, outside toys, and chairs. Popsicles provided.

New Sermon Series



Sermon audio and reflection guides available at southelkhorncc.org/sermons

This Sunday

Discovering Gravity
Matthew 19:16-26
Rev. Michael Swartzentruber

Next Week

Breaking Free
Luke 15:11-32
Rev. Michael Swartzentruber

Connection Card

September 9, 2018

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

- Send me weekly email Communication

I am a:

- First-time Guest
- Frequent Visitor
- Regular Attender

Next Steps:

- Attend *Explore South Elkhorn*
- Find a group & join community

I am ready to join the family of faith at South Elkhorn by:

- Confession of faith
- Re-affirmation of faith
- Transfer of church membership from _____

Please place card in offering plate or return to welcome center.

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

Our Staff

Michael Swartzentruber
Senior Minister

Holly Fugua
Associate Minister

Callie Olson
Student Minister

Kyla Burkhardt
Lead Children's Coordinator

Chris Weiss
Music Minister

Diana Vetter Moore
Music Associate

Allison Colvin
Pianist

Nursery:
Hannah Woggon & Elizabeth Yates

Kim Skidmore
Little Elks Director

Alyssa Parrett
Youth Ministry Intern

Stasia Kruse
Administrator

Children's Coordinators:
Danielle Evans, Aly Partain & Andres Caban

Children & Youth

Tiny Tots (Age 3 - Pre K), **Children** (Grades K - 5), **Youth** (Grades 6 - 12)

Regular Programming begins

Sunday, September 23

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

Sunday Evening Snacks

You can help provide healthy snacks on Sunday evenings for children and youth in one of three ways:

- Online at signup.com/go/zhUOnri
- Call the church office at 223-1433 or
- Email admin@southelkhorncc.org

Stay Connected

Receive updates, event info and encouragements by text.

Text SECC to 40650