

*“Until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”*

(Ephesians 4:13)

You can accept God's free gift of salvation by:

- admitting you have a spiritual need
- confessing Christ as your personal savior
- praying for forgiveness

You are invited to become a disciple of Christ:

- growing in your daily walk
- maturing into a true disciple and following Christ's example
- caring for the lost and bringing hope to a weary world
- showing the love of Christ to the church and community

\*Deacons will assist the pastor with the altar call as needed.

Sermon Notes

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*Celebrating over  
100 years of  
Serving Christ  
in the Community*



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**ENTER TO WORSHIP – LEAVE TO SERVE**

August 28, 2016

## MEDITATION

*Put on the full armor of God!*

## PRESENTATION BY COLBY RICHARDSON

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 42:1-2

1. *“As the deer pants for the water brooks,  
so my soul pants for you, O God.”*
2. *“My soul thirsts for God, for the living God;  
when shall I come and appear before God?”*

### \*INVOCATION

### OFFERTORY MEDITATION

II Corinthians 9:7

*“Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart,  
not grudgingly or under compulsion,  
for God loves a cheerful giver.”*

## GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### \*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF BLESSING

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen*

### \*OPENING

(Brown) # 311

*“Where The Spirit Of The Lord Is”*

### CHILDREN’S STORY

Cathy Murray

(Sing *“Jesus Loves The Little Children”* as children come forward  
(Sing *“Jesus Loves Me”* as children return).

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

(Brown) # 205

*“Onward, Christian Soldiers”*

### SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

Matthew 7:7

*“Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find;  
knock, and it will be opened to you.”*

### PRAYER

### \*HYMN OF WORSHIP

(Brown) # 207

*“Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus”*

### MESSAGE

*“Armor”*

Pastor Auker

Ephesians 6:10-18 (p. 1824)

### \*INVITATIONAL HYMN

(Brown) # 469

*“The Savior Is Waiting”*

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*SENDING HYMN

(Brown) # 205

*“Onward, Christian Soldiers”* (Refrain Only)

\*Please stand if able

### Preparation For Worship

Remember the affirmation of the psalmist:

*“As a deer longs for flowing streams,  
so my soul longs for you, O God”*  
(Psalm 42:1, NRSV).