

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 16, 2012

GATHERING

Prelude: "Psalm XIX"

Benedetto Marcello

Invocation

Announcements and Passing the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Listen! God's wisdom calls to you.

People: Let us go. Let us follow the way of the Lord.

Leader: Let us turn our mind from human things to things divine.

People: Let us follow Christ even though we must take up a cross.

Leader: His way of love and service came with a cost.

People: Let this then be our worship: that our words be kind and our lives a blessing.

*Hymn: #324 "Open My Eyes That I May See"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of wisdom, God of love, in Jesus Christ the word became flesh; the word dwelt among us. In him was revealed your wisdom, the way of love and grace and mercy. But we do not always hear this word.

Instead, we judge and reject and hurt. And then our word becomes a

kind of poison. Forgive us. Call to us again. Lead our hearts to you.

Open our minds to your wisdom. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem:

8:00 Solo Paul Hughes

10:30 "The Heavens Are Telling"

Chancel Choir

Beethoven

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Readings: Proverbs 1:20-33 (p. 552); James 3:1-12 (p. 216)

*Hymn: #384 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

Children's Sermon

Children may leave for God's Place for Boys and Girls

Second Scripture Reading: Mark 8:27-38 (p. 41)

Sermon: **FOOLISH WISDOM**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Apostles Creed (p. 14)(Ecumenical Version)

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "In the Garden"

Charles Callahan

*Doxology (p. 592)

*Hymn: #426 "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "Lift High the Cross"

Gordon Young

The End of Worship

The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

VISITORS AND MEMBERS: WELCOME! During the offertory the Friendship Book will be passed from the end of the pew. Please sign it and indicate other information as appropriate. Pass the book back down the pew and notice the names of the other worshippers. Greet one another warmly after the service.

WORSHIP HOUR INFORMATION:

It is an ancient Scottish custom for the pulpit Bible to be brought into the sanctuary and placed by a layperson before the service begins.

8:00 a.m. Janet Huffman

10:30 a.m. Edwin Margerum

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.): 8:00 – Karen Boyer
10:30 – Ruth Anne & Lauren Appel

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of
Richard D. McLaughlin and to celebrate
Michael & Michele McLaughlin's 20th Anniversary
Given by Nick and Evie Lopez

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Robert Keene
PO Box 282, 63 Meadow Ln.
Smoketown, PA 17576-0282

In the hospital: Kayla Kloefer, Lancaster General, Children Unit 3811

TODAY:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults
11:00 a.m. 3rd Sunday Singles Group
3:00 p.m. Organ Dedication

MONDAY:

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
1:00 p.m. Enfield Dr. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting

TUESDAY:

5:00 – 8:00 p.m. Friendly's Night for Organ Fund

WEDNESDAY:

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY:

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

FRIDAY:

Newsletter Articles Due

NEXT SUNDAY:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults

IN THE NURSERY: 8:00 – Deb Sindall

10:30 – Dave & Carol Berkhimer

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$3,273.00

Total in Organ Fund is \$59,476.55

September is Building Fund month. Trustees will have envelopes in the pews to collect funds to use for new flooring. As you look around the Narthex, please notice the condition of the carpet and give as you can to help us replace it.

Bake A Cake/Work The Stand...On Friday and Saturday, Sept. 21 and 22, we will be sponsor a cake wheel at the Hot Air Balloon Fest from 3:00-8:00 pm (Friday) and 3:00-9:00 pm (Saturday) in Gap. The proceeds will go towards the Organ Fund.

We need lots of willing bakers to bake cakes, pies and other goodies to raffle off. In addition, we need to cover the 11 hours of manning the stand. Sign-up Sheets are in the Narthex to volunteer for either position. We hope to have over 65 baked items, which should be dropped off at the church before noon on Friday, Sept. 21. Please help us reach our goal.

The Community Meal will be Thursday, Sept. 27th. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m. Sign-up sheets for helping with the meal are in the Narthex.
Thank you. Mission Committee

October 20th is Fall Work Day. The Trustees need your help as they plan what needs to be done around the church for Fall Work Day and begin their "Things to Do" list. If you see something that needs attention, please notify one of the Trustees, the secretary, or the minister. Or you may simply place a note in the Trustee mailbox.

Church Garage Sale...Our second church garage sale will be held on Saturday, Oct. 6. Gather up your "no longer wanted" items and donate them for the benefit of the Organ Fund. In addition to your donations, we need a large team of workers to collect, price and display the items. This is a major church-wide event and we need all of your support in making it a success. We need volunteers to work the food stand, pick-up donated items, set-up tables, price items and clean up afterwards. And we need people to pray for no rain (just that day). Mark it on your calendar and watch for more information.

FRIENDLY'S IN GAP – This Tuesday, September 18, the Organ Fund Committee will have an evening at Friendly's from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. This is the one in Gap on Route 41. Friendly's is giving back 10% of your total (before taxes). There is no need for a voucher, just tell them you are with Leacock Church. You all have been very supportive with these restaurants and I hope it continues for this one also.
Thank you, Organ Fund Committee