

GATHERING

Prelude: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

James Pethel

Invocation

Announcements and Passing the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Leader: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

People: I will sing praise to my God all my life long.

*Hymn: #483 "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy One, before your splendor and glory we fall silent, aware of our human frailty and sin. By word and deed we have built barriers and destroyed bridges, separating ourselves from one another and You. Who are we to speak your word of love or spread your gospel of truth? Yet we trust that you will speak your word of forgiveness and touch us with your healing fire. Forgiven and renewed, may we humbly respond to your call, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: 8:00 – "From Generation to Generation"

arr. Marty Parks

Chancel Choir

10:30 – "Face to Face"

Grant Tuller

Arlene Brackbill

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Hebrews 9:11-14 (p. 209)

*Hymn: #327 "O Word of God Incarnate"

Children's Sermon

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

Second Scripture Reading: Mark 12:28-34 (p. 46)

Sermon: SACRED TEXTS

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith- from the Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "Tell Me the Story of Jesus"

Albin Whitworth

*Doxology (p. 592)

*Hymn: #260 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "Ein' Feste Burg"

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 – Janet Huffman

10:30 – Darwin Eshleman & Lois Snader

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of
Mary Lou Miller & sister, Pat
Given by Dick Miller and Family

We welcome Rev. Alicia Conklin-Wood to our pulpit this morning.
She is a Parish Associate at First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Helen Kreider

3253 Lincoln Hwy. East

Paradise, PA 17562

In the hospital: Lucy Ames, Lancaster Rehab, Good Drive

TODAY:

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

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

MONDAY:

1:00 p.m. Enfield Dr. Bible Study

THURSDAY:

7:00 p.m. Mission Committee

FRIDAY:

6:30 p.m. Light Supper/Lecture

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 – Michele McLaughlin

10:30 – Steve and Forrest Boas

50 Year/New Member Luncheon

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$3,588.00

Total in Organ Fund is \$64,016.67

While Rev. Birch is gone, Rev. Steve Getty will be available for Pastoral care and emergencies. He can be reached at 717-768-8343 or, as always, call the church office at 717-687-6619.

NO Chancel or Bell Choir Rehearsal

Harvest Home: Today is the last day to collect donations for the residents of Ware Presbyterian Village. Some suggested items are tissues, Zip-lock bags, puzzles, puzzle books, stamps, personal size snacks, and new greeting cards. Thanks.

Harvest Happening – Tuesday, October 30, 2012, Camp Donegal has a great day planned. It starts at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 4:00 p.m. with different activities going on all day. Please see the flyer in the Narthex for complete details. The cost is \$15.00 per person.

Family Fun Day – Mark your calendar for Friday, November 9th at 6:00 p.m. Christian Ed Committee is hosting a pizza/game party. We will have Wii game systems projected to show on the wall and screens. All ages are invited to join in. This is something that has no age limit, so young and YOUNGER can do something together. It is going to be a great time, so even if you do not want to play a game just come out and cheer people on. Please watch for further details and sign up sheets.

On Friday, November 2, we will welcome Dr. Lee Barrett. He will be speaking on the topic: *Christian Faith and the 2012 U.S. Presidential Election*. There will be a light supper at 6:30 p.m. with the Lecture starting at 7:00 p.m. Please come and join us.

November 12 is the date for the Narthex to start receiving a new floor covering. Both vestibules will also get new carpeting. Please remember to use the rear entrance that whole week to come in for your meetings. The Trustees are sure you will like the change and thank you for supporting this endeavor.

Support The Factory Ministries – Take the flyer from your bulletin to Chick-fil-A on Tuesday, November 6th from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., and they will donate 15% of your bill to The Factory Ministries.