

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 18, 2012

GATHERING

Prelude: "Now Thank We All Our God"

Lani Smith

Invocation

Announcements and Passing the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Lord, we cry out to you when our hearts ache.

People: Dear God, remember me; remember your servant.

Leader: Lord, we sing out to you when we see your blessings.

People: Dear God, receive my gladness and my praise.

Leader: Lord, through Jesus Christ we find you.

People: Dear God, guide me, help me to know you in my heart.

*Hymn: #285 "God, You Spin the Whirling Planets"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, you bring justice to the great and small. You lift up the lowly. You are ever with us and in turn you ask that we be with each other. But we fall short, oh Lord. Instead of provoking each other to kindness and love, we provoke one another with judgment and pride. We tear each other down, when we should lift each other up. Now, we ask your forgiveness. Wash our hearts clean. Humble us so that we may love with grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: 10:30 – "Simple Gifts"

arr. Jay Althouse

Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Readings: 1 Samuel 1:4-20 (p. 233); Hebrews 10:11-25 (p. 210)

*Hymn: #366 "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

Children's Sermon

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

Second Scripture Reading: Mark 13:1-8 (p. 47)

Sermon: **A ROSE IN THE RUBBLE**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "Now Thank We All Our God"

setting Robert Hobby

*Doxology (p. 592)

*Hymn: *Leacock Sings*, pg. 25 "For All the Saints"

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath"

J. Wayne Kerr

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

At the end of the service, we invite you to remain seated during the Postlude. If you need to leave, feel free to do so. Otherwise, you can use this time for prayer and meditation.

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 – Nick & Evie Lopez

10:30 – Johanna Gingher and Sharon Williams

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Honor of our beloved Organist.

Dianne Yuninger has blessed our church for many years with her gift of music.

She does so much for this church and puts a lot of love and thought into the songs she plays each and every week. When you see Dianne, please give her an extra special pat on the back and say, “Thank You and we appreciate you.”

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Miriam Latshaw

1520 Harrisburg Pike

Lancaster, PA 17601

TODAY:

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

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

11:30 a.m. 3rd Sunday Singles Group

MONDAY:

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl

7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting

TUESDAY:

7:30 p.m. Bible Study Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service at Old Leacock

THURSDAY:

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

NEXT SUNDAY: Communion

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 – Ellen Barnes and 10:30 – Mike & Alba Ruhl

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week’s offering total was \$3,241.00

Total in Organ Fund is \$64,616.67

Deacons please remember your meeting on November 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Caring Tree for Bridge of Hope – Sunday November 18th and 25th, Community Outreach Committee will have a Caring Tree in the Narthex for Bridge of Hope. We are asking that those who have the heart to give will take a tag from the tree and purchase gift card in the amount of \$10, or \$25. The gift cards will be distributed to the single mothers at the Bridge of Hope’s annual Christmas Celebration. We are asking that the gift cards be returned by December 2 to Karen Homsher, Emily Birch or the office.

CALLING ALL BAKERS: We need cookies for our bazaar. We will put them in tins or plate them for you. All you need to do is the baking. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 dozen – we will take whatever you bake. Cookies needed by Thurs., Nov. 29th. If you make them early and don’t have freezer space, call Loretta 687-9010.

Pequea Valley High School would like to invite the senior citizens to a special concert on Friday, December 7th. The concert is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. in the high school auditorium. After the concert a free lunch will be served in the cafeteria. In order to reserve a lunch, we are asking the senior citizens to call 768-5500 by *Monday, December 3*. In the event of inclement weather, please tune in to the local television and radio stations.

The annual Advent Vespers Service will be held at the Octorara Covenantal Presbyterian (Shrine) Church on Sunday, Dec. 2nd, at 4:00 p.m. The service is sponsored by The Musical Arts Society of Lancaster and will feature artists from the Workshop for Young Performing Artists. Light refreshments will be served in the adjoining schoolroom after the service. The Church is located on Valley Road about four miles east of Quarryville, across from the Middle Octorara Presbyterian Church. For more information call Barry @ 393-8560.