

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2013

GATHERING

Prelude: “This Is My Song”
(See insert for words to prelude and anthem)

Lyndall Leatherman

Invocation
Announcements and Passing the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: In the body of Christ, many become one.

People: The Lord calls each of us into his service.

Leader: For God gives gifts to all of God’s children.

People: Lord, receive my gifts; receive me.

Leader: Let us offer all of ourselves to God.

People: Let us do so gladly.

*Hymn: #418 (to the tune of #151) “God, Bless Your Church with Strength!”

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Generous God, this is the meaning of grace—you give and give and give to us freely. You give yourself for us in our Lord Jesus Christ. But Lord, we do not always give freely to you, for you. We watch while others do your work. We spend ourselves on things that do not last. Then we do not always have much left for you. Lord, open our hearts so that we may open ourselves to you. Teach us to give as you give to us. Teach us grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Anthem: “This Is My Song”

8:00 – Jenny Keenan

10:30 – Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn: #422 “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

Children’s Sermon

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

Sermon: **BUILDING THE BODY OF CHRIST**

Time and Talents

1 Corinthians 12:14, 27-31a (p. 163); Acts 2:44-47 (p.112)

Treasure

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (p.173) ; Proverbs 11:24, 25 (p. 560)

Grace

Mark 12:41-44 (p. 47)

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Robert Schumann

*Doxology (p. 592)

*Hymn: #414 “As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought”

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: “To God Be the Glory”

Robert Powell

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 – Robert Brackbill & David Erikson

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of
Richard D. McLaughlin
Given by Nick and Evie Lopez

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Danielle Short

Kyle, Jayde

3638 East Newport Rd.

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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 – Home of Arlene Brackbill.

TUESDAY:

9:00 a.m. Presbyterian Meeting at Camp Donegal

7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 a.m. Centering Prayer

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

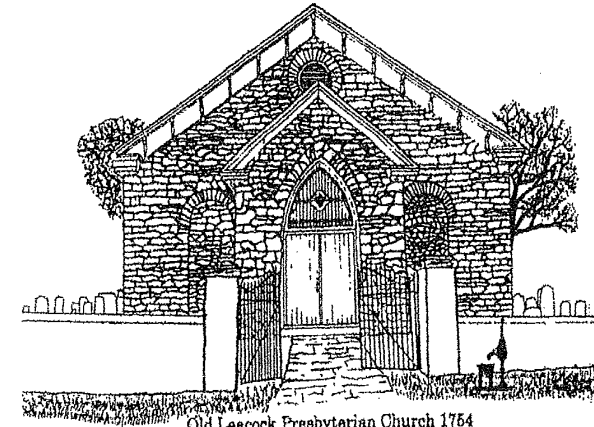
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY:

5:30 p.m. Community Meal

Leacock Presbyterian Church

*First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in
1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.*



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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 – Bob & Margy Hershey

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$5307.00

Total in Organ Fund is \$80,986.18

The Community Meal will be this Thursday, Sept. 26th. Doors will open at

5:15 p.m. Sign-up sheets for helping with the meal are in the Narthex.

Thank you.

Mission Committee

September is Building Fund month. Trustees will have envelopes in the pews to collect funds for general repairs and upkeep. There are a lot of repairs that need done for all of our buildings. There is rotten wood on the manse that needs replaced, Old Leacock needs painted this year and we have to install spouting at the doors to the Memorial Garden to prevent the doors from rotting away any more at the Paradise Church. This is just a small list of things that need done, please give as you can to help keep up the maintenance and appearance of our Church.

ORGAN FUND UPDATE – A number of activities are being planned as we enter the final phase of raising the balance of the \$83,000 for the Organ Rebuilding Project.

We continue to have a stand at the **Paradise Flea Market** Saturday mornings offering used books and other miscellaneous item. Donations are still accepted.

Saladworks Fundraiser Cards are being sold. For a \$10 donation, you receive \$40 in savings (including a free Signature Salad) at any Saladworks restaurant.

New York bus trip is scheduled for Saturday, November 30th. The bus will leave AC Moore's at 6:30 a.m. and be at the church at 6:45 a.m. It is a "do as you please trip" or if you are interested in Radio City Music Hall (Christmas Show) we can still try and get tickets. The bus will depart from New York at 5:30 p.m. The cost is \$50.00 per person for the bus trip (Radio City Music Hall is extra). Please call the office to reserve your seat 687-6619.

Thoughts and Ideas Box Several of you have already utilized the Thoughts and Ideas Box to make suggestions, ask questions, and bring various concerns to the church's attention. We hope that you will also continue to use it as you come up with new ideas for improving situations or programs or for ways in which our church could grow in fellowship and ministry. You could also volunteer your services for some program or activity. Signing your name is not required, but a direct response is impossible without it. Please be assured that only the Clerk of Session has the key and that notes are presented directly to each Session meeting where they are read and referred to the appropriate committees. The name of the writer is given only to the committee and is kept confidential.

Survey Wrap-up The CO/CL Committee would like to thank everyone who responded to the interest Surveys we distributed this summer. If you were not able to do that yet, we are still very interested in hearing from you. Pick up a survey in the back of the sanctuary, fill it out, and return it to an usher or the church office at your earliest convenience.

This Is My Song

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine;
this is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine:
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
but other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine:
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms,
thy kingdom come, on earth, thy will be done;
let Christ be lifted up 'til all shall serve him,
and hearts united, learn to live as one:
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations,
myself I give thee -- let thy will be done.

The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the twentieth century's two world wars and focus on world peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer and voices a distinctive Christian perspective.