

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2013

## *GATHERING*

Prelude: Meditation on "This Is the Day"

Fred Bock

Invocation

Announcements and Passing the Peace of Christ

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Worship the Lord with gladness.  
Come into God's presence with singing!

**People: For the Lord is a gracious God,  
whose mercy is everlasting;  
and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

\*Hymn: #487 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Prayer of Confession (**Unison**)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

## *PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD*

Anthem:

10:30 – "He's Always Been Faithful"

arr. Tom Fettke

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Readings: Hab.1:1-4; 2:1-4(p 821); 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12(p 194)

\*Hymn: #324 "Open My Eyes"

Children's Sermon

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

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 19:1-10 (p. 77)

Sermon: **STANDING ON THE EDGE**

## *RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD*

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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: Pastorale on "Blessed Assurance"

Robert Lau

\*Doxology (p. 592)

\*Hymn: #417 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "Let Me Be Thine Forever"

J.C. Bach

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 – Michele McLaughlin  
10:30 – Steve & Forrest Boas

**Sarah A. Kneier** is a recent graduate of Lancaster Theological Seminary. A Candidate for Ordained Ministry in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Sarah does Pulpit Supply for the Presbytery of Donegal and preaches at various churches in the area. She has done internships at Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church in Quarryville, and Kreutz Creek Presbyterian Church in Hellam. Sarah has also served in the children's, music, and Christian Formation ministries of her home church, Wayside Presbyterian, in Landisville. Sarah looks forward to the day when she will be ordained as a Teaching Elder. When she's not leading worship she attends Wayside with her husband David and her son Ansel. She also enjoys gardening, needlework, cooking and the many parks in the area. Sarah and her family reside in Columbia, PA.

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Shirley Smith  
64 Eastbrook Rd.  
Ronks, PA 17572

**TODAY:**

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults

**MONDAY:**

7:00 a.m. PW Walk  
7:30 a.m. PW Sunrise Bible Study and Breakfast  
9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry  
7:00 p.m. Community Outreach/Congregational Life Meeting

**WEDNESDAY:**

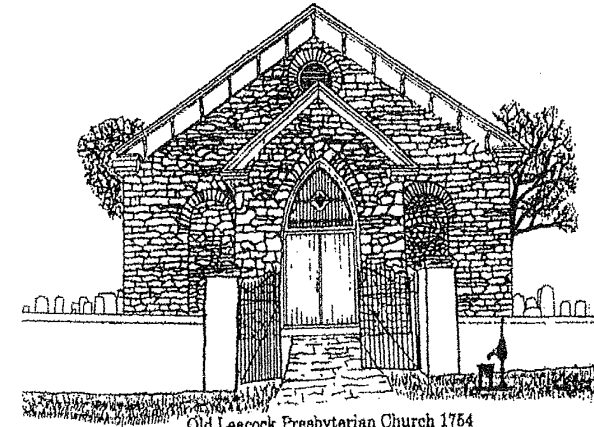
7:30 a.m. Centering Prayer  
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY:**

7:00 p.m. Mission Committee Meeting

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

IN THE NURSERY: 8:00 – Donald & Christy Fieldsa

10:30 – Johanna Gingher & Sharon Williams

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Last week's offering total was \$4,497.00

**Organ Fund Update:** We have a balance of **\$804.18** of additional expenses to pay on the Organ Rebuilding Project.

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.

**On Monday, November 11**, please join Marie Glass and Lauren Appel to craft our "famous" beaded church spiders. This event will take place in the church basement starting at 6 pm. We hope to make an ample assortment to sell at the Christmas Bazaar. These beautiful ornaments are made with beads and wire and come with an adorable poem attached (great present idea).

These ladies are experts....so put this date on your calendar and come help make a few arachnids!

**Be sure to stop downstairs** and see the start of our kitchen renovations....work is in progress! Cleaning, painting, trimwork, new counters, and more to come.

**The Community Meal** will be Thursday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m. Sign-up sheets for helping with the meal are in the Narthex.

Thank you.

Mission Committee

**Fall Harvest Offering:** From November 10<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> we will hold our annual collection of gift cards for Bridge of Hope. We will also be collecting personal care items that are much needed at the food bank now administered by The Factory. If you wish to contribute to either of these ministries, please take a card from the display in the Narthex and return your item by Nov. 24. Gift cards should be given to Karen Homsher, Jenny Keenan, Robbin Englehart, Emily Birch, or the Welcome Center host.

The November issue of the **LEACOCK COMMUNICATOR** is available free at the back of the sanctuary for anyone not on our mailing list.