33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 16, 2014

GATHERING

Prelude: "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" Invocation

Anne Laura Page

*Call to Worship

Leader:	The Lord is the giver of grace.
People:	Let us go to the Lord in our time of need.
Leader:	The Lord is the giver of grace.
People:	Let us trust in the Lord in our time of trial.
Leader:	The Lord is the giver of grace.

*Hymn: **#716** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Prayer of Confession (**Unison**)

Ever-faithful God, we are your children, and you never forget, you never abandon your people. You will to be in fellowship with us. You will that we be in fellowship with each other. But we do not do your will. We turn from you; we turn from each other. Where we should encourage, we find fault. Where we should build up, we tear down. Forgive us, dear Lord. Show us again the way of grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *Gloria Patri (p. 581)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Bell Choir

Anthem: "Thanksgiving Bells"

arr. Barbara Kinyon

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer First Scripture Readings: Judges 4:1-7 (p. 210); 1 Thess 5:11 (p. 193) *Hymn: **#612** "We Praise You, O God" Children's Sermon

Children may leave for God's Place for Kids Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:14-30(p. 27)

Sermon: **GIFTED AND TALENTED**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Apostles Creed (p. 17) Offering of Tithes and Gifts Please sign and pass the Friendship Book Offertory: "My Jesus I Love Thee" *Doxology (p. 606) *Hymn: **#401** "Here in This Place" *Benediction Silent Prayer (be seated)

Anna Laura Page

The End of Worship The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand As you leave worship, greet all with the Peace of Christ

> 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. 9:30 a.m. Janet Huffman

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.): 9:30 – Donald & Christy Fieldsa

The Sanctuary Flowers are to celebrate the 50 year members of our church. Thank you for countless hours of volunteering and being there to support and teach the other members, and help in making this a loving CHURCH FAMILY. You have been a great asset and your work and dedication is very much appreciated. THANK YOU.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Peter & Ruth Conway 2207 Porter Way Lancaster, PA 17601

TODAY: 9:30 a.m. Service of Worship 12:00 p.m. 50 Year Member & Congregational Luncheon

MONDAY: 9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry 7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting

TUESDAY: 9:30 a.m. Presbytery Meeting-Stewartstown PC 7:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

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

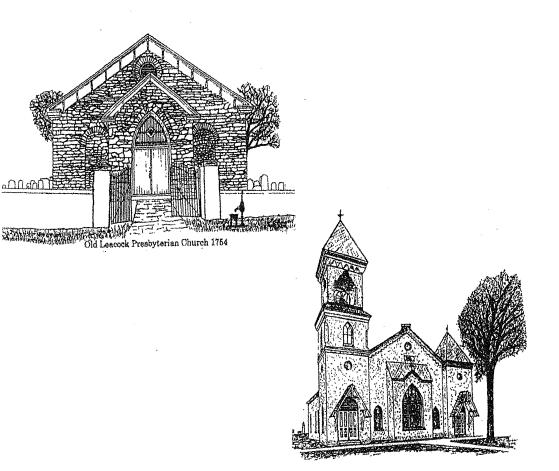
THURSDAY: 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

<u>Friday</u>: Newsletter Articles Due

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>: Communion 9:30 a.m. Service of Worship IN THE NURSERY: 9:30 – Johanna Gingher & Sharon Williams

Leacock Presbyterían Church

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OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$4543.00 In order to meet the approved budget for 2014, we need to receive an average of \$4,363.00 each week in offering.

The Session calls for a meeting of the congregation today, following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the 2015 budget, elect officers, formulate the composition of the 2015 Nominating Committee, and approve newly written church by-laws and the Manual of Operations.

Thank Offering will be collected this week and the week of the 23rd. Of the 30 projects chosen for funding: 17 are ministries servicing people in need in the US; 13 are international and 40% are projects funded for health ministries.

Pequea Valley High School would like to invite the senior citizens to a special concert on Friday, December 12. The concert is schedule for 11:30 a.m. in the high school auditorium. After the concert a free lunch will be served in the cafeteria. Please call 768-5500 by Tuesday, Dec. 2 to reserve a lunch.

It's that time again - please start thinking of ideas to fill baskets to sell at the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 6.

You can fill a basket with goodies with a theme of your own or donate items for us to create a filled basket for you!

Place your filled baskets in Fellowship Hall with bazaar items by Sunday, November 30.

Any questions or if you need basket ideas please contact Karen Shue (687-7240) or Lois Snader (687-5698).

The Church and Community Life Committee is collecting \$25 gift cards for the Bridge of Hope Christmas collection. There are leaves in the Narthex for you to take and a sign up sheet to write your name on when you decide to participate in this collection. We will be accepting gift card and monetary donations until November 23. There will be a basket on the refreshment table to place your donations on Sunday mornings or you can give them to Jenny Keenan or Dianne Yuninger. Gift card ideas include: Walmart, Kmart, Target, Kohls, Wawa, Sheetz, Turkey Hill, Shop Rite Supermarket, Giant Food Store, Weis Market, or Hess gas cards.

Are you interested in the exciting opportunity to support and help change the lives of a single mother and her child(ren) by being part of a mentor group? If so, or if you have questions about this opportunity provided through Bridge of Hope, please contact Jenny Keenan at (717) 471-1448. We have several people who have already expressed interest but we need a few more in order for us to move forward with this outreach. If you can be a friend, you can be a mentor. Thanks for considering!

Next Sunday, November 23 marks the end of the Liturgical Year as we celebrate Christ the King Sunday with **one service at 9:30 a.m**. and the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

A FAMILY OF CHICKENS \$25. Checkout the "Giving Catalog" on the table in the Narthex to see what your gift could buy. Your gift can help people around the world to purchase seeds, livestock, water, school supplies, etc.

IT'S TREATS AND TREASURES TIME...

We have become well known for our Bazaar featuring hand-crafted gifts, our famous peanut butter bonbons, our live wreaths, cemetery sprays and live table centerpieces, canned items, themed baskets, baked items, such as cookies and breads, and don't forget about the Holiday Cafe. Here are the dates on our Bazaar countdown; please consider helping celebrate the spirit of the holiday with our church family. Signups will be in the Narthex. Hope you can fit at least one or two of these dates, filled with fun and fellowship, into your schedule. Thank you so much ahead of time.

Monday, December 1 – 1:00 pm - ? CANDY WORKSHOP

Carol Shearer will be in charge of our Candy Workshop in the Kitchen. This year we are making our famous peanut butter bonbons. We will need donations of ingredients, as well as helpers to mix and dip the candy. Please see the ingredient requests in the Narthex (please take note if a certain brand is listed....that is what makes our bonbons so tasty). Again this year, you can order your candy ahead of time, as long as you pay for it. Orders will be held until December 7th. Every year, many church friends were unable to get to the Bazaar and we were sold out of bonbons by Sunday....so we are hoping this added feature will help you....all orders and money are needed by Tuesday, November 25.....see or call Loretta (808-7689) to place your orders.

<u>Thursday, December 4 1:00pm - ?</u> <u>TAKE-ALONG-TREATS</u>

Michele McLaughlin, Bonnie Rice and Loretta McClarigan need lots of help in baking cookies and breads for our Bazaar. Please bring your donations of baked goods to Fellowship Hall by this date, as we will be plating and packaging them, on this day. If you can help, let them know, sign-up is in the Narthex, or just call.

Monday, November 10 REGIFT & REDECORATION

Bonnie Rice is looking for gently used Christmas itemsincluding ornaments, Christmas books or a variety of Christmas decorations. Please notice that we are only asking for Christmas items to be donated. Please put all your donations in the west corner of Fellowship Hall for pricing.

BASKET BONANZA

Karen Shue and Lois Snader are in charge of the themed baskets. If you can fill a basket with any theme (Italian Sampler, Nail Salon Goodies, Body & Bath, Newborn Baby Items, School Books or Supplies, the list is endless). Please place your basket donations in Fellowship Hall, by Sun. November 30th. If you need an empty basket to fill, they will be available in the Narthex, just help yourself.

Wednesday, December 3 - 6:00pm to 8:00pm GREENS NIGHT

Come to Fellowship Hall and help us make fresh arrangements. We do have some containers but would love if you can donate any before this date. Donations of greens, from your yard are always appreciated but please let us know what you have (call Loretta 808-7689) so we know what we need to order. Oasis and candles will be provided. Even if you do not have any greens, come help; we will have plenty to share. At the end of the evening, you will have an arrangement to take home, if you wish, as well as one to donate to the bazaar. This is a great way to boost your holiday spirit!

Monday, December 1 - 4:00pm to 8:00pm

SET-UP

Set-Up in Fellowship Hall, if you can help, please contact Michele Lichty 687-6259 or Cathy Shenk 687-0173 or Loretta McClarigan 808-7689.

Friday, December 5 - 2:00pm to 8:00pm Holiday Café

Betty Sowers, Alba Ruhl and friends will be welcoming your donations of pies, homemade soups, beef BBQ, homemade sticky buns, macaroni and cheese, hot dog and hamburger buns or donuts for the Holiday Café. Please check the clipboard in the Narthex to see the foods they need. Don't forget to come the day of the Bazaar to enjoy breakfast as well as lunch with friends.

Saturday, December 6 - 8:00am to 2:00pm TREATS & TREASURES BAZAAR

Many job opportunities exist here. Check the clipboards in the Narthex to see where you can help. We need cashiers, baggers, friends to just condense tables as tables empty, friends to help shoppers with questions or lend a helping hand. If you are available for just an hour or two or three, or the entire time, we can use your help....just bring a smile! Invite any children you know who would enjoy the interactive train set-up in the Narthex.