

Reign of Christ/Christ the King

November 23, 2014

GATHERING

Prelude: "Majesty"
Invocation

arr. Douglas Wagner

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord seeks us when we are lost.

People: Let us trust ourselves to the Lord.

Leader: God has made Christ the Lord of all things.

People: Let us embody our Lord to the world.

Leader: Let us seek to serve the Lord.

People: Let us serve our sisters and brothers.

*Hymn: #134 "Joy to the World"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord God, you search for us; you find us; you lift us up to heal us and make us strong. In Jesus Christ, you are our shepherd. And you call us also to search for lost sheep, to lift up and heal and make strong. But we quarrel, o Lord. We care for only some and turn away from others. Then, we do not see you. Then, we cannot find you. Seek us still, merciful God. Forgive us. Grant our hearts wisdom. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 581)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Blessing and Honor"

Chancel Choir

Tom Fettke

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: Meditation on "Nun danket alle Gott"

Kevin Uppercue

*Doxology (p. 606)

First Scripture Readings: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24(p. 756); Ephesians 1:15-23 (p. 181)

*Hymn: #401 "Here in This Place"

Children's Sermon

Children may leave for God's Place for Kids

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:31-46 (p. 27)

Sermon: **A POWER FOR OTHERS**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

As you partake of this sacrament and as the Holy Spirit moves you, you are invited to join the choir in singing "Come to the Table of Grace."

1. Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Come to the table of grace.

2. Come to the table of peace . . .

3. Come to the table of love . . .

4. Come to the table of hope . . .

5. Come to the table joy . . .

*Brief Statement, pg.37 in the hymnal, parts 1,4,5,6

*Hymn: #245 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!"

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: Voluntary on "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"

Robert Lau

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.

9:30 a.m. Edwin Margerum

IN THE NURSERY (babies - 4 yrs.): Johanna Gingher & Sharon Williams

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory
of Galen Stoltzfus.
Given by Joanne.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Harold & Janet Cosby
35 Hershey Avenue
Paradise, PA 17562

TODAY: Communion

9:30 a.m. Service of Worship

TUESDAY:

7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 a.m. Centering Prayer

7:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve

THURSDAY: Happy Thanksgiving

NEXT SUNDAY: Family Advent Night

8:00 a.m. Service of Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Service of Worship

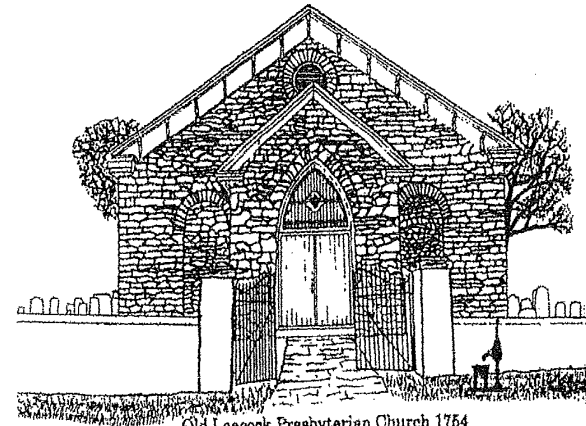
IN THE NURSERY: 8:00 – Tom & Vicki Burkins

10:30 – Marie Brackbill & Mike Hartmann

7:00 p.m. Youth Group

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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OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$3,616.00

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

Thank Offering collection ends today. 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 next Sunday, November 30.

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](tel:7174711448). 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!

Family Advent Night Come one, come all to begin the Advent season with your Leacock friends. Bring a covered dish to a fun evening of fellowship, story time, and carol singing. 5:00 p.m. Sunday November 30th

Wacky Sweater Sunday! Get a little wacky and help the Leacock youth raise money for their Make the Homeless Smile project. On Sunday Nov. 30th, please donate money to the youth to gain the privilege of wearing your wackiest sweater in support of their efforts to make the homeless smile.

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 today. There is a basket on the refreshment table to place your donations in 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. If you meant to bring it and forgot, please contact Jenny Keenan at 768-0557.

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.

Secret Santa Don't forget to sign up to be someone's secret Santa this holiday season, spreading holiday cheer to another Leacock friend. Names will be drawn at family Advent night, and instructions are provided out in the narthex. If you'd like to participate and won't be able to attend Family Advent Night, please see either Karen Hamster or Emily Birch.

ATTENTION: The caring tree should be making it's appearance in OUR narthex next Sunday, November 30th, (if all goes as planned!). Watch next weeks bulletin for further details.