

**6th Sunday of Easter**

**May 1, 2016**

***GATHERING***

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Introduction and Chorale on 'St. Margaret'" arr. Alice Jordan

*Invocation*

*\*Call To Worship*

Leader: The wind of God is blowing in our lives.

**People: Let us listen for what God wills.**

Leader: The Lord is coming to us.

**People: Let us listen to God's word.**

Leader: Then, our hearts will be opened.

**People: Let us rise to life.**

Hymn: #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*Prayer of Confession (Unison):*

**God of grace, it is your will that we rise up to life in full, the life you created us to live. But we deny your will. Sometimes, rather than rise, we fall, into all that kills life in us and others. Other times, we stay only with what we know, half-lives of brokenness. Come to us, oh Lord. Heal us. Grant us the courage to want to live. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon*

\*Gloria Patri

***PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD***

Anthem 10:30: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"  
Chancel Choir (GTG#377)

*Children's Sermon*

(Following Children's Sermon at 10:30, children may leave for Sunday School)

*Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer*

*First Scripture Reading:* Acts 16:9-15 (p.127)

Hymn: #796 "We Come to You for Healing Lord"

*Second Scripture Reading:* John 5:1-9 (p.90)

*Sermon:* **Going Down to the Water**

***RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD***

\*Affirmation of Faith – Apostles Creed (p.17)

The Peace of Christ

*Offering of Tithes and Gifts*

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory "Spirit Song"

setting John Carter

\*Doxology (page 606)

\*Hymn: #794 "O Savior, in This Quiet Place"

\*Benediction:

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" arr. David Cherwien

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

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory

of Jim Hess and Pat Ide

Given by Gerry and Family

Please note: Last week's Sanctuary Flowers were in Loving Memory of Tracy Dippner's dear parents, Jack Wettig and Veronica Trout with much love.

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.

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.)

8:00 – On call list 10:30 – Chuck & Kathy Ankney

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.) next Sunday, May 8

8:00 – On call list 10:30 – Steve & Charlene Boas

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Danielle, Kyle. & Jayde Short

**TODAY**

8:00 a.m. Service of Worship

9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Service of Worship

Children (kindergarten thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade) may leave for Sunday School following the Children's Sermon

7:00 p.m. Youth Group

7:00 p.m. First Hymn Sing at Old Leacock

**MONDAY**

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:00 p.m. CCL Mtg.

**TUESDAY**

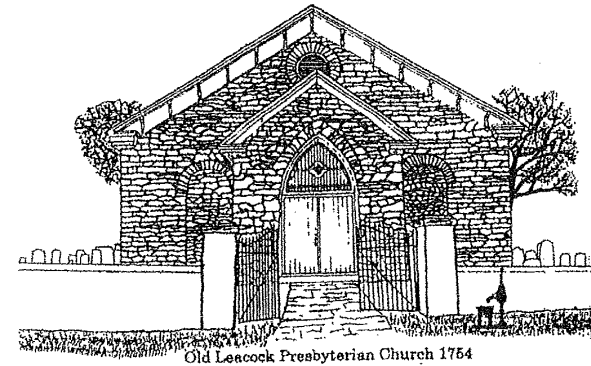
7:30 p.m. Christian Ed. Committee Mtg.

**THURSDAY**

7:00 p.m. Mission Committee Mtg. in the Library

# 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**

Today the 14th Annual Community Hymn Sings Series, "Singspiration," begins at Old Leacock. Starting at 7 p.m., the hymn sings will be led by Tom Perella, with accompaniment provided by Dianne Yuninger. Lemonade will be served in the church's courtyard after the hymn sings. The Old Leacock Community Hymn Sings will continue on Sundays, June 5, July 3, August 7, and will conclude on Sunday, September 4. Everyone is welcome.

### **Pentecost Sunday is on May 15**

Please join us as we celebrate the birth of the Christian church with traditional communion at one service of worship at 9:30 a.m.

**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 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. It is also a way to lift up what is good. 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 at each Session meeting where they are read and referred to the appropriate committees. The name of the writer is kept confidential.

**TRUSTEES SPECIAL FUND** collected in May will go towards the refinishing of Old Leacock Pews. Trying to make this a non-sticky summer for all. Check the newsletter for more info on this project. Also, the Manse boiler is supposed to be installed the first week in May or soon after. Will keep you all up to date. If you see something that needs the Trustees attention, tell us. Thank you.

David Berkhimer