

7th Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2016

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr. Anna Laura Page

Invocation

**Call To Worship*

Leader: Listen! For the Spirit is calling.

People: Let us come now to the water of life.

Leader: Listen! For the Lord is praying.

People: Let us be one as God is one.

Leader: Listen! For the Lord has said he is coming soon.

People: Let us now and always say, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Hymn: #88 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1,2,6,7)

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Dear Lord, you tell us that you will reward us, you will measure us, according to our work. And sometimes the work we do is not what you will. You want us to be one. But instead we divide into suspicious, warring tribes. You want us to love. Instead, we bite and devour each other in our fears and judgment. Lord, pray for us, that we may be healed, that we may be one, that we may love. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

**Gloria Patri*

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Hymns Your Mother Loved"

Children's Sermon

(Following this sermon at 10:30, children may leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 (p. 245)

Hymn: "Hymns Your Mother Loved, Part 2"

Second Scripture Reading: John 17: 20-26 (p.105)

Sermon: **The Deepest Desire**

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 "I Come With Joy"

Gilbert Martin

*Doxology (page 606)

**Hymn:* #300 "We Are One in the Spirit"

*Benediction:

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude "I Know That My Redeemer Lives!"

Wilbur Held

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

Charles L. Danner, Jr., husband, and our parents

Charles and Fern Danner & Walter and Margaret Turner

Given by Ethel Danner

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 – Steve & Charlene Boas

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.) next Sunday, May 15

9:30 –Mike & Alba Ruhl

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: George & Karen Shue

TODAY

- 8:00 a.m. Service of Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Worship
- Children's (kindergarten thru 6th grade) Sunday School
- 5:30 p.m. Communicants Class

MONDAY

- 7:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeting

WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

- 9:30 a.m. PW Bible Study at Arlene Brackbill's home
- 6:00 p.m. The Factory Meal

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Sunday, May 8th and next Sunday, May 15th, we will be collecting the *Pentecost Offering*. This year the offering will be used to help support kids at Camp Donegal. This summer camp is a vital part of many children's lives, helping them to experience God's love and faithfulness through nature, their peers, and a dedicated staff of Christian volunteers. This camp needs our financial support to help it remain a functioning part of our kid's lives. 40% of the offering we receive from the Pentecost Offering will remain in our church so that we may send it for the support of our camp. Please use the envelopes in the pews or just give your donation to Alba Ruhl and mark it for the Pentecost Offering. Thank you for your support.

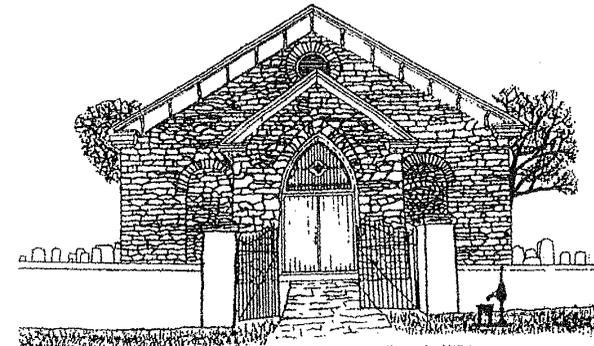
Pentecost Sunday is on May 15

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.

The Memorial service for Ronald P. Esch will be held Saturday, May 14th at Highland Presbyterian Church with visitation from 2:00-3:00 and the service from 3:00-4:00. All are welcome to attend.

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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