

17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 11, 2016

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Fugue in C minor" Jean Charpentier

Invocation

* Call to Worship

Leader: Long ago, Jesus told his disciples that he was the way.

People: Let us, then, walk the way of the Lord.

Leader: On the way, he is ever with us.

People: And if we walk with him, we walk with each other.

Leader: The way of Christ is a journey of a lifetime.

People: Let us take the time to celebrate the milestones along the way.

Hymn: #401 "Here in this Place"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, you are faithful. You seek us; you find us; you never leave us. And yet we leave you. We fill our days so much, we leave only a tiny place, if any place at all, for you. We find time to find fault, but we are too busy to offer grace to each other. We leave each other. And when we do, again we leave you. Forgive us, Lord. Find us again. Show us the way we forget. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory "Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" James Biery

*Doxology (page 606)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Raise Your Hands" Heather Sorenson
Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #730 "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

Scripture Reading: John 14:1-7 (p. 102)

Sermon: **The Way**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

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

Hymn: #488 "I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry

*Benediction:

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude "We Are Marching in the Light of God" Zulu Freedom song

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 Richard D. McLaughlin

Given by Nick & Evie Lopez

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.)

Next Sunday, September 18 Shirley & Lori Smith

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Jane Witmer

<u>TODAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Old Leacock Day Service of Worship & Picnic
<u>MONDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	CCL Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
	7:30 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<u>THURSDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

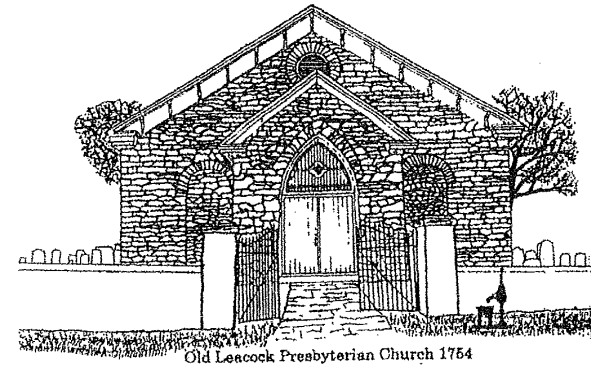
Today is Communion Sunday. Communion will be served by intinction. The elders will bring the elements to any who wish to remain seated, and there is an alternate station for those who wish to use an individual cup.

As you begin your fall cleaning, especially of your closets and drawers, please remember the clothing bank in Lancaster. The **Mission Committee** will be collecting all good, clean used clothing also including sheets and blankets from now until Sunday, October 9th. Items may be placed in the narthex near the bulletin board. Any item can be used except *underwear*. Only new underwear still in the original packaging is acceptable.

The **Youth Group** will kick off its 2016-2017 year on Sunday September 18 from 7-8:30 p.m. Anyone in 7th-12th grades is welcome to join us in the youth lounge. Bring your friends, and let's start the year with a bang.

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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