

18th Sunday after Pentecost

October 8, 2017

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

W.S. Stevenson

**Call To Worship*

Leader: Listen to the Lord, for he calls you.

People: At last, we can lay down our heavy burdens.

Leader: Receive the gift the Lord offers.

People: At last, we can find rest.

Leader: Do what the Lord commands.

People: Now, let us remember the Sabbath.

**Hymn:* #824 "There Is a Place of Quiet Rest"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, when first you created, you took the time to rest. Later, you spoke your will that all your creatures should rest too. But we forget the Sabbath. We race and race to fill our lives until we are empty. Then we do not know you. We do not know neighbor or self. Help us, Lord. Teach us to be still. Show us how to stop. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

**Response:* In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. (p.654)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "By Faith" Keith & Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townend

Children's Sermon

(Following this, children may leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Exodus 20: 1-4, 7-17 (p.63)

**Hymn:* #183 "Come to Me, O Weary Traveler"

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 11:28-30 (p.11)

Sermon: **Remember the Sabbath**

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: "People Need the Lord" Phil McHugh & Greg Nelson

Doxology (page 606)

**Hymn:* #182 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

**Benediction:*

Choral Response: "Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you." (p.748)

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "He Lives"

Alfred H. Ackley

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 Edna and George Mowery

Given by Nancy McGuigan and Phyllis & John King

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.): **NURSERY PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.** Please see an usher if you would like to take your children to the nursery.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER & HELPER

This Sunday and next Sunday: Mary Alice High & Margy Hershey

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Austin, Kristin & Finley Hayes



Today we welcome **Renee Mendenhall** to our worship and thank her for her gift of music. A graduate of Pequea Valley High School and Penn State University, Renee is currently training for a career in alternative medicine. She also has earned her Master's Degree from Northwestern University.

<u>TODAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Service of Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	6:30 a.m.	Bell Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
<u>THURSDAY</u>	6:00 p.m.	The Factory Meal
<u>FRIDAY</u>	5:30 p.m.	Book & Movie Group
<u>SATURDAY</u>	1:00 p.m.	Jewelry Workshop

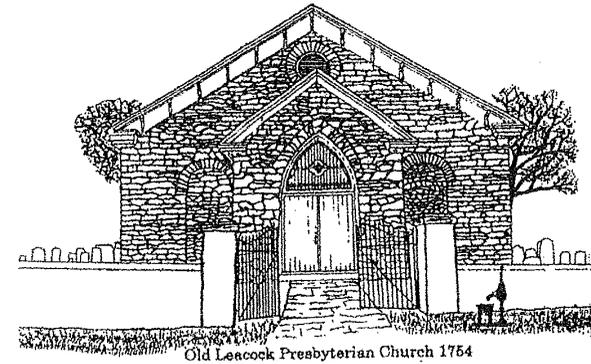
OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the date: **CROP Walk** Sunday, **October 15th** Paradise Park, pavilion #2. Registration at 1:00. Walk starts at 1:30. See you there!

Sign up on the clipboard in the narthex for the **Jewelry Making Class** this **Saturday, October 14 at 1:00 p.m.**: Taught by Gretchen Shea, Bob and Margy Hershey's daughter, we'll be making necklaces. The class (limited to 20 people) is \$20 which covers the cost of supplies. Reservations must be made 3-4 days in advance.

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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