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November 12, 2017

# GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting Prelude: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Anna Laura Page

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\*Call To Worship

Leader:	The Spirit of God is never too busy for us.
People:	Let us offer ourselves to the Lord through each other.
Leader:	God has given each of us gifts.
People:	Let us offer our gifts to the Lord through each other.
Leader:	We are made rich by the grace of God.
People:	Let us offer from our bounty to the Lord through each
-	other.

*\*Hymn:* #712 "As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought"

#### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Generous God, your story is one of giving, freely and often, to us in our need. That is to be our story as well. Yet we hold back what we give. We are too busy to work beside our neighbor. We don't believe we have the skills to offer. We fear we do not have enough to share. Change our story, Lord. Help us to be more like you. Help us to grow in grace. 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:

"Lord, I Ring My Praise To Thee" Bell Choir

*Children's Sermon* (Following this, children may leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Sermon: A Samaritan Sequel			
Second Scripture Reading:	Luke 10: 25-37 (p.67)		
* <i>Hymn:</i> #697 "Take My Life"			
First Scripture Reading:	1 Peter 4: 8-11 (p.220)		

# 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 Need Thee Every Hour Ray Darley Doxology (page 606)

\*Hymn: #700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

#### \*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)

## 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 Honor of our Veterans and Missionaries Given by Betty Sowers 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: Vicki & Tom Burkins Next Sunday: Carol Shearer & Marie Brackbill

## **PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: David & Karen Homsher

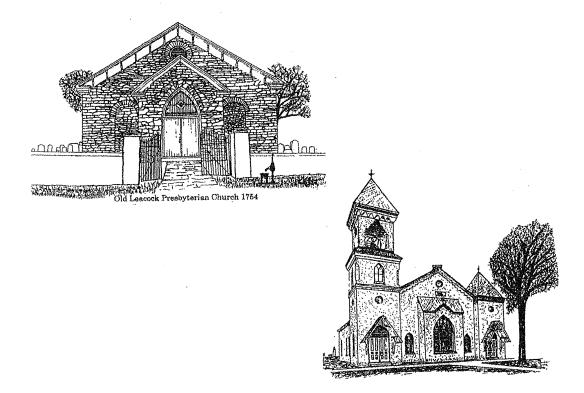
<b>TODAY</b>	9:30 a.m.	Service of Worship followed by
		Congregational Mtg.& Luncheon
<b>MONDAY</b>	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
<b>THURSDAY</b>	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting & Retreat

The Session calls the annual Congregational Meeting for Sunday, November 12, following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to approve a budget for 2018 and elect new officers for 2018.

Following the Congregational Meeting, everyone is invited to the **Fifty-Year Member** and **Congregational Celebration Meal** to honor our 50+ year members.



First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in 1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.



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#### **Fifty+ Year Members** $\overline{}$ 0

Mary Jane Mowrer Ruth Usner Robert Clark Helen Kreider **Ruth Bair** Ruth Anne Appel Robert Mowrer, Jr. Mildred Young Ethel Danner Arlene Brackbill Jane Witmer **Betty Denlinger** Lucy Ames Harold Yuninger Dorothy Buckwalter **Betty Sowers** Mary Ellen Rice Janet Cosby Donald Clark **Ruth Bryson** H. Donald Andrews **Beatrice Andrews** Vicki Burkins Joy Koshuta Dianne Yuninger Carol Shearer James L. Brackbill David Homsher Lois Eshelman Esta Fisher Kitty Shumate Kirk Beane Ed Margerum Tom Burkins October 1967

April 11, 1941 December 29, 1943 April 19, 1946 October 4, 1946 April 6, 1947 April 17, 1949 April 6, 1950 January 7, 1951 July 20, 1952 November 1, 1953 December 13, 1953 April 3, 1955 March 25, 1956 April 14, 1957 August 5, 1957 March 13, 1958 December 21, 1958 December 21, 1958 April 10, 1960 April 10, 1960 April 10, 1960 April 15, 1962 May 2, 1965 May 2, 1965 April 13, 1966

2017 Nominating Committee Presents Slate of Officers to Begin Serving in 2018

**Trustees Class of 2020** Currently serving: Class of 2018 David Berkhimer David Homsher Craig Keenan **Richard Buck** Danielle Short Michael Ruhl **Deacons Class of 2020** Currently serving: Class of 2017 Maureen Carney Esta Fisher Molly Colton Jennifer McElhany **Bob** Hershey Edwin Margerum Barbara Hostetter Sharon Williams **Elders Class of 2019 Currently Serving** Class of 2018 Charlene Boas Steven Boas Christian Brackbill Marie Brackbill Tom Burkins Linda Erikson Derek Colton Lois Eshleman Mary Alice High Margaret Hershey Dianne Yuninger Alba Ruhl

Class of 2019

Charles Ankney (Chuck) Keo Phongxaysanith Michael Ruhl

Class of 2019

Carol Berkhimer Katherine Boas Gwen Hess Dorothy Hall