

2nd Sunday of Easter

“Sing a New Song”

April 8, 2018

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Rev. Robert Birch

Prelude: Christ Has Arisen! Alleluia!
Invocation

Anne Krentz Organ
Karen Homsher

**Call To Worship*

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song;

People: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Leader: Sing to the Lord, bless his name,

People: tell of his salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations;

People: his marvelous works among all the peoples.

Leader: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

People: He is to be revered above all gods. (Psalm 96:1-4)

*#399 Gathering Hymn “God Welcomes All” (sing four times)

Call to Confession

Katherine Boas

“Just as I am, without one plea but that Thy blood was shed for me,
and that Thou biddest me come to Thee O Lamb of God, I Come; I come.”

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Grant unto us, O God, the fullness of your promises.

Where we have been weak, grant us your strengths;

where we have been confused, grant us your guidance;

where we have been distraught, grant us your comfort;

where we have been dead, grant us your life.

Apart from you, O Lord, we are nothing,

in and with you we can do all things. AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

***Choral Response:** “We Are Forgiven” #447 Organ, Choir, Congregation

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Anthem (with congregation): “Earth and All Stars”

#26

Children’s Sermon

Lea Lichty

(Following this, children may leave for Sunday School)

Call to Prayer: “O, Lord, Hear My Prayer #471

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

Lois Eshleman

First Scripture Reading: Chronicles 16:23-27

Sarah Keenan

Meditation

Emily Birch

**Hymn:* #625 “How Great Thou Art”

Second Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

Alyssa Keenan

Meditation

Skip Brackbill

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

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

The Peace of Christ

Sara Lichty

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

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Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: “My Lord, What a Morning”

Anna Laura Page

Doxology (page 606)

**Hymn:* #628 “Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord”

*Benediction

Rev. Robert Birch

Silent Prayer (be seated)

***Choral Response:** “In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified” (page 468)

“In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in my life, Lord, be glorified today.

“In our church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified, in our church, Lord, be glorified today.

“In our world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in our world, Lord, be glorified today.”

Postlude: “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Robert Thygerson

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 Thankfulness to the wonderful congregation of
Leacock Presbyterian Church and to all its caring members for sponsoring
and welcoming me and my family.
Given by Keo Phongxaysanith and family

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: Karen Homsher & Milt Hostetter
Next Sunday, April 15: Vicki & Tom Burkins

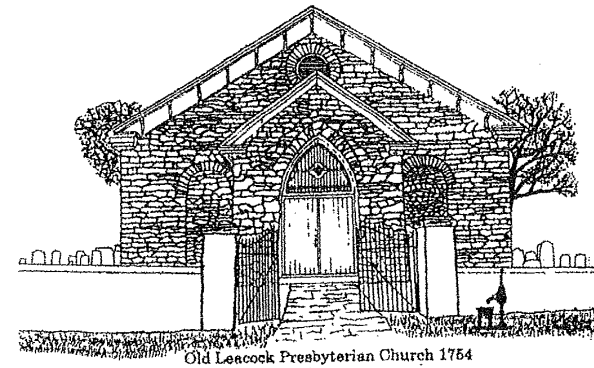
PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Ryan McLaughlin

<u>TODAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Service of Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School
<u>MONDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	6:30 a.m.	Bell Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir

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

If you wish to purchase Sanctuary flowers for next Sunday, **April 15**, please call the office.

April is one of the two months when we collect our clean gently used clothing for the **Lancaster County Council of Churches Clothing Bank**. This clothing is distributed to people who have fallen on hard times and perhaps can't afford to clothe their family members. Just place your clothing in the narthex and the mission committee will see that it gets to the proper place. Thank you for your help.

Game Day



Saturday, April 21

Starting at 1:30 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall, we will be having a Table Game Party. Please bring your favorite game and a snack to share for a fun afternoon. If you do not have a favorite game come anyway and Shirley Smith will teach you how to play Golf, but not the kind of Golf where you need clubs! Sign up in the Narthex. Hope to see you all there!