

4th Sunday after Epiphany

February 3, 2019

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: “Lord I Lift Your Name on High” Rick Founds

Invocation

**Call To Worship*

Leader: Lord, help us to receive your love.

People: May we never resent your love for others.

Leader: Lead us on the way of love.

People: May we seek to give more than receive love.

Leader: Teach us how to respond when love is rejected.

People: May we be strong to stay on the way.

** Hymn:* #738 “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, your Son gave us a new commandment, to love each other as we have been loved. And we know we should. Sometimes, we even want to. But we become hurt or afraid. We are offended by the difference of others and their ways. Then, we grieve you, for we love at best only some. Forgive us our narrow love. Heal our hearts. Help us love as you love. 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: “Be Thou My Vision” Irish Folk Tune

Children’s Sermon

(Following this, children may leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: “El Shaddai” Michael Card & John Thompson

Doxology (p. 606)

First Scripture Reading: Luke 4:21-30 (p.57)

**Hymn:* #451 “Open My Eyes, That I May See”

Second Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (p.164)

Sermon: **What Abides**

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

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

The Peace of Christ

**Hymn:* #684 “Faith Begins by Letting Go”

**Benediction*

Silent Prayer (be seated)

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)

Postlude “Trading My Sorrows” Darrell Evans

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

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: Carol & Dave Berkhimer

Next Sunday, February 10: Loretta McClarigan & Lea Lichty

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: **Diep Ngoc & Anh Tran**

<u>TODAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Service of Worship-Communion
	10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
<u>MONDAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	7:00 p.m.	CCL Meeting
<u>THURSDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting

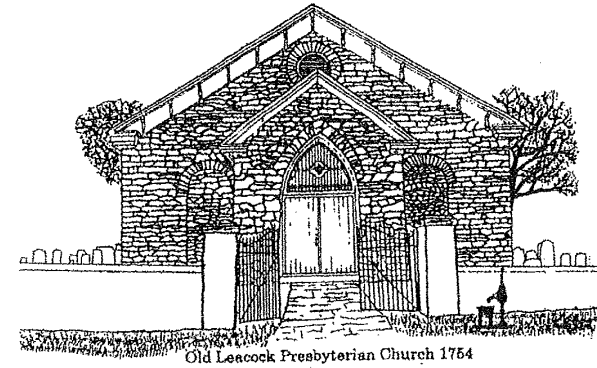
OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

2018 Giving Statements are in the Sunday School room where you picked up your Offering Envelopes. They will be there for the next couple weeks for your convenience. Also, the Building and Facilities envelopes are for Old Leacock painting and repairs and a few other building repairs. Thank you all for helping to keep your buildings in good repair.

Dave Berkhimer, Trustee President

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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