

4th Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "The Lord Is My Shepherd" Robert Lau

**Call To Worship*

Leader: As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you promises the Lord our God.

People: God has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Leader: So let us praise and honor our Creator.

**Hymn:* #260 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Loving Lord, we realize that we have not made our homes the dwelling place for your love as we desire to do. Too often, we act like individuals who happen to share the same building, rather than family members who care for one another. Help us to renew our commitment to the growth and development of those who share our lives and to show your love in the homes where we live. In Jesus' Name, 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)

Leader: God's love is proved to us in that while we were yet sinners

People: Christ died for us.

Leader: Therefore, we are justified by faith

People: We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Jesus, Take All of Me" Heather Sorenson
Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14 (p.759)

**Hymn:* #353 "My Hope is Built"

Second Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-5 & Romans 8: 24-25 (p.145 & p.147)

Sermon: **Hope To Cope**

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: "My Prayer Is to Thee" Dennis Eliot

Doxology

**Hymn* #643 "Now Thank We All Our God"

**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 Postlude on 'Morning Song' Steven Scott

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER & HELPER

This Sunday: Carol Shearer & Marie Brackbill
Next Sunday, May 19: Kathy & Chuck Ankney

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: **Dalin Appel**

Today we welcome Pastor David Drain to the pulpit. He is retired and resides in the Willow Valley Community. He served the Bristol, Pa, Wallingford, Pa, and Lakeland, Fl, Presbyterian Churches. A U.S. Army veteran and Philadelphia native, he is a graduate of Penn's Wharton School, Princeton Theological Seminary, Vanderbilt University's Divinity School, and did graduate study at St. Andrew's Scotland. He and Marion have been married for over 50 years and they have two grown daughters. David and Marion are active members of the Highland Presbyterian Church in Lancaster

<u>TODAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	<i>There will be no Evening Service</i>	
<u>MONDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Mtg.
	7:30 p.m.	Softball: St. John v. Leacock
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
<u>THURSDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Session Mtg.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are still some spaces left for our **Saturday, May 25 Yard Sale**. Call the church office! If you don't want a table but have stuff to get rid of, you can donate it to the church for us to sell that day on the front lawn. Drop off is at the office Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m-12 noon or on Sunday morning.



Leacock Presbyterian Church

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