

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

September 1, 2019

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" W.S. Stevenson

Invocation

* *Call to Worship:*

Leader: This is grace: God welcomes us into God's love.

People: Let us glorify God.

Leader: God welcomes us apart from all deserving.

People: Let us glorify God.

Leader: We glorify God when we too welcome all others.

People: Let us glorify God.

**Hymn:* #14 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, to you all creatures are your children. You welcome into your presence everyone, the mighty and the weak, the poor and the rich. But our love is not so generous. We welcome some into our lives; we shun many others. Teach us again and again love, so that our love may be more like yours. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Choral 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: "Standing on the Promises" Russell Kelso Carter

Children's Sermon

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15,16 (p.213)

**Hymn:* #722 "Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 14:1, 7-14 (p.102)

Sermon: **Honor**

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: "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" William Kirkpatrick

Doxology (p.606)

**Hymn* #744 "Arise, Your Light Is Come!"

**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 "I Saw the Light" Hank Williams

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 given to the Glory of God and in Honor of Janet & David Birch's 66th Wedding Anniversary

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.

Please remember to silence your cell phone before the beginning of service.

NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.): **NURSERY PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.** Please see an usher if you would like to take your children to the nursery.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: James & Delores Brackbill

This morning 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>	8:00 a.m.	Worship Old Leacock – Bounty Table
	9:30 a.m.	Worship Paradise – Bounty Table
<u>THURSDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Mission Committee Mtg.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September Clothing Drive

Starting today we will again be collecting good, clean used clothing for the Lancaster County Council of Churches Clothing Bank. They will accept anything but used underwear. So please clean out your closets and bring the items to the narthex anytime during the month!

Next Sunday is **Old Leacock Day!**



We will celebrate with a 9:30 a.m. service of worship and communion. There will be no church service at Paradise that Sunday. Our yearly **Picnic** will follow immediately afterwards. Hot Dogs, rolls, drinks, silverware, cups, plates, napkins and condiments will be provided. Just bring a covered dish to share and a chair to sit on while you eat

and visit with your church friends celebrating our heritage of worshipping at Old Leacock!

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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



Old Leacock Presbyterian Church 1754



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