

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost  
Theme: Season of Hope

Sunday, November 5, 2023



**“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11**

### *GATHERING*

Greeting and Welcome to Worship

*Prelude:* “I Want to Be a Christian” Mary McDonald

#### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: The road is long, but the journey is worth it.

**People: We are reformed, always reforming. Faithful, ever seeking to be faithful in new ways.**

Leader: We do not travel alone; we are part of the great fellowship of saints. God is with us every step of the way.

**People: The Spirit gives us endurance and strength for the journey; therefore, we are a community of living hope.**

Leader: Come, join us in the generous life, sharing the Good News of God’s Love.

**People: Through the example of Jesus Christ, with the help of the Spirit, we will trust God to guide us.**

\*Hymn: #619 “Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven”

#### **\*Prayer of the Day**

**God of All the Ages, the Church has weathered through many eras and seasons, and yet seeks to be a vital community in changing times. We confess that our questioning sometimes leads to doubt, and doubt leads to uncertainty, and uncertainty to a lack of trust. But sometimes when the way is not clear, uncertainty leads to new faith, new hope, and new trust that You will act and that we are not alone. The Church has always been called to love the neighbor even as we are to love among ourselves. Help us to know that we can go**

**confidently forward because You will show the way. With helping hands and eager hearts, lead us confidently forward, through Christ our Brother, who became one of us and is our Living Hope. AMEN**

\*Gloria Patri #581

### *PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD*

*Anthem:* “The Journey” Joseph Martin

Minute for Mission – The Factory Ministries Adam Nagle, Executive Director

Scripture: Readings from the Book of Proverbs

Sermon: Adam Nagle, Presenter of the Word

\*Hymn: #384 “Soon and Very Soon”

### *RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD*

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

The Doxology #606

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**For the wondrous gift of life, we are thankful, O God. Your generous outpouring of grace reminds us of the fruitful life we are called to bear. May our gifts of time and labor embody our desire to contribute to your coming reign among us and beyond. AMEN**

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn: #853 “We Are Marching in the Light of God

\*Charge

Leader: Loving, living God, be among us as we go. Continue to show us your ways.

**People: Guide our steps. Live in us, that we may be people of steadfast hope and powerful living.**

Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

*Postlude:* “A Song for All Saints” Mary McDonald

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor  
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: **Harold & Janet Cosby**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We are pleased to welcome **Adam Nagle, Executive Director of the Factory Ministries** to our worship today. He serves as the Executive Director of The Factory Ministries, a faith based human service agency focused on the alleviation of poverty in eastern Lancaster County. Adam and his wife Tonya have four children: Luke, Zac, Eden and Ava.

Tomorrow at 1 p.m. there will be **Memorial Service** for **Skip Brackbill** followed by a time of fellowship.

# Leacock Presbyterian Church

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