

GATHERING

Prelude: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Anna Laura Page

Greeting and Welcome to Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: Give thanks to the LORD, who is good,
whose steadfast love endures forever!

**All: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in time of trouble.
Therefore we shall not fear when changes come,
not even if there is upheaval and life seems out of control.**

One: In Jesus Christ, we know God's will to be redemptive,
and in the Spirit, we learn to trust our Savior.

All: Thanks be to the God of our hope and salvation!

*Hymn: #39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

God of justice and mercy, you who lift us out of shame and guilt, you who make true hope possible for us, and open our way into life with meaning and purpose, hear our prayers for healing. We need healing within ourselves, in our minds and hearts as well as our bodies; we need healing in our relationships; and we need healing in our communities of faith, Christ's body of those who believe in him, however haltingly and sometimes selfishly. We need also the special healing of forgiveness for wrongs we have done, injustices we have ignored, and care we withheld but could have given. Please forgive us and cleanse us, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.

THE PROMISE OF GOD'S MERCY

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Because He Lives"

Carmichael

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 5:1-7 and Mark 10:46-52

SERMON "A Foolish Question?"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (In unison)
Excerpted from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen

*Hymn: #694 "Great God of Every Blessing"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

*Hymn: #757 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

Postlude:

“Praise God!”
The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

Hugh Livingston

*Those who wish may stand

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

Prayers of the Congregation

Prayer Person this week: Robin Katz

The Sanctuary Flowers are in appreciation of the inspirational music, time and dedication of Dianne Yuninger, Karen Homsher, and the Chancel & Bell Choir Members
Given by Sue Funk

Announcements

Choir practice follows worship today.

PNC will meet tomorrow, Monday at 6:30 p.m.

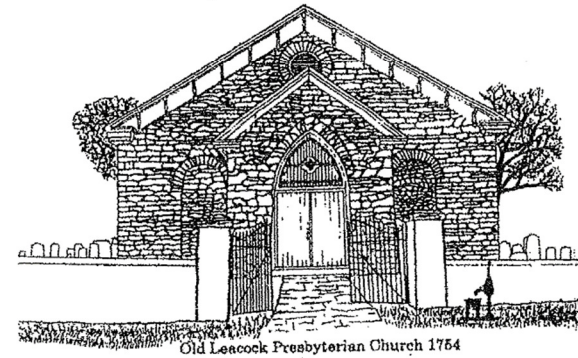
This morning we welcome **Rev. Richard Sindall** to the pulpit. Dick retired in July of 2012 after 40 years in pastoral ministry, 13 years in Tamaqua, PA and 27 years in Bridgeton, NJ. Dick's wife Debbie is a member of Leacock Presbyterian, and together they worship here with us and participate in the church's life and ministry. The Sindalls live in Lititz, and they have two adult sons also living in Lancaster County.

April is the month for our spring clothing drive! Please bring any clean, gently used clothing and place it in the narthex. The Mission committee will see that it gets delivered to the **Lancaster Clothing Bank**. This clothing drive ends today, the last Sunday in April.

Fellowship in the narthex will continue through May. The CCL committee is looking for volunteers to set up fellowship on any Sunday in May. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex, and/or please see Angela to pick a weekend. Thank you!

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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