

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Theme: Now That Spirit Has Come

Sunday, July 6, 2025



“For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke or slavery.”
Galatians 5:1

GATHERING

Prelude: “Sun of My Soul” Old German, arr. W. J. Auld

Call to Worship

Leader: As we have been baptized into Christ,

People: We are clothed with Christ.

Leader: And if we belong to Christ,

People: Then we are the offspring of faith and heirs according to the promise.

Leader: Our freedom comes as life in the Spirit.

People: Therefore, we reject works based solely on our desires.

Leader: Let us live with new life of spirit and truth.

People: We will worship the Lord in full spirit. AMEN

*Hymn: #354 “Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”

*Prayer of the Day and Confession

Holy God, there is much that tries to separate us from one another. creed and color, gender and nation, class and culture. In an age of twisted values, call us from our fragmentation to live more humanly, more genuinely, more faithfully together in the grace to which you claim us. Empower us to refrain from labeling and categorizing that harms one another and takes away the respect and acceptance we each desire. Guide us with every step of daily living, both in our

attitudes and actions, our choices and our commitments, even in our moments of reflection and rest. Through Christ who goes before us, and in his name we pray. AMEN

Hymn of Prayer for Grace and Truth: #338 “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Scripture: Galatians 3:23-27 and 5:1, 13-25

Sermon: **“What Kind of Freedom”**

*Hymn: #343 “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD GATHERING

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Compassionate God, strengthen us for the journey of faith, trusting that the gifts of possession and self that we offer bring glory to your name and sow seeds of new life. We trust that the harvest of your Spirit will bear fruit in due season as we dedicate all that we have and all that we are to you. AMEN

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

*Hymn: #331 “God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand”

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: Children of God, we are loved into freedom, set loose on the world to share the fits of the Holy Spirit.

People: So we go, knowing there is nothing that rightfully keeps us from loving God and loving our neighbor.

Leader: Go knowing you are beloved and that you belong, claimed always by God in every circumstance.

People: We go set free to live and serve in the power of the Holy Spirit. AMEN

Silent Prayer (*be seated*)

Postlude: "Simple Gifts" Shaker Tune, arr. J. Wilson
(Please remain seated)

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: James & Delores Brackbill

Announcements

If you would like to order flowers for the sanctuary in Memory of or Celebration of a person or special occasion, next **Sunday, July 13** is available. Please call the church office 717-687-6619.

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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



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