



# St. John – Hill U.C.C.

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## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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(+) *Those who are able please stand*    **Bold - congregation responds as able**

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“A Blessing”

G. Peterson

+CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

God’s love has poured into our hearts,

**Through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.**

+HYMN

“How Great Thou Art”

O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder

Consider all the world Thy hands have made,

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,

Thy pow’r thru-out the universe displayed.

*Refrain*

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;

How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

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When thru the woods and forest glades I wander

And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;

When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur

And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

*Refrain*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,

Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;

That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,

He bled and died to take away my sin;

*Refrain*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration

And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art!

*Refrain*

CONFESSION OF SIN

~ *Silent Prayers* ~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

Hear the Good News in Jesus Christ. We are forgiven;

**Thanks be to God.**

+GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to The Holy*

*Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen*

+STATEMENT OF FAITH (unison)

Psalms 23

**The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies; thou anointest my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

COMMISSIONING OF THE MISSION TEAM

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

**Almighty God, inspire our hearts and minds that we may hear anew your message for us today. Amen**

PSALMS

Psalms 150

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament! <sup>2</sup> Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his exceeding greatness! <sup>3</sup> Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! <sup>4</sup> Praise him with timbrel and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! <sup>5</sup> Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! <sup>6</sup> Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

HYMN

“Majesty”

Majesty, worship his majesty  
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise  
Majesty, kingdom authority  
Flow from His throne, Unto his own, His anthem raise

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.  
Majesty, worship his majesty  
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 4:24-26

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” <sup>25</sup> The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things.” <sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”



+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*God be with you till we meet again; By his counsels guide,  
uphold you; With his sheep securely fold you; God be  
with you till we meet again.*

+POSTLUDE

“God and the Nation”

J. Scrivegner



**Serving Today**

Consistory Helper for July: Matt Weller

Worship Assistant: Rick Furches

This week's flowers & bulletins are sponsored by Mr. & Mrs.  
Clarence Weller in honor of their 1<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Annetta Schwager & family

*2017 Flower & Bulletin Sign-up sheets are posted on the Narthex  
bulletin board. If you sponsor flowers for the week, please remember to  
take them with you after the service; if you do not want to take your  
flowers home, please let Nikki know and she will make sure they get to a  
shut-in to enjoy.*

**Last Week**

Last Week's Attendance:

Church: 42    Sunday School: 3

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Last Week's Offering: \$2,378.00  
2017 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,070.65

**Mission Trip** – Wednesday, July 19 through Saturday, July 22.  
Please pray for our volunteer workers.

**Grocery Gift Cards to Support Missions: Giant, Redner's, & Weis** – See Connie Hile

**Fundraiser** – Contact our sexton, Charles Anhalt (484-333-1424), for discounted in-house tile and carpet cleaning with 20% of all proceeds donated to our church in your name.

**Music Volunteers** – Volunteers are needed to provide music selections during the summer worship services. Contact Elmer Miller.

**Pastor Vacation** – Pastor Mary will be on vacation July 23-29. If you need emergency pastoral care, please contact Nikki in the office or cell phone (610-781-6248).

**Reading Phillies Celebrate Your Faith Night** – Eileen Fisher is organizing a group (need min. 20) for the Thursday, Aug 24 game at 7:05 pm. Christian group “Boundaries” will be performing and fireworks will be after the game. If you are interested see Eileen ASAP.

**Grab Bag Auction** – Tuesday, August 1st at 7 pm in the upstairs Sunday School rooms. Proceeds from the auction will go towards new church doors.

**Ringgold Band Picnic** – Posters and signs are available to put throughout the community. Schedule is listed in the bulletin.

**Confirmation Class** – Pastor Mary will be starting a confirmation class in September. If you know of anyone who would like to take part of this class, please let Pastor Mary know or call the church office.

## **Ringgold Band Picnic - Saturday, August 5th**

We need lots of help. If you have never helped before now is the time to volunteer and have fun! Donations of baked goods are needed and greatly appreciated. Donations of intermission raffle items are also being accepted; please see Elmer Miller. Advertisement posters & signs are available in the Narthex. Please help distribute them throughout the community.

Please note that help IS needed to clean up grounds and set up and serve food the day of this event. If you are available to help with clean up or the day of the event, please let Elmer, Eileen, Terry, Dennis or Nancy know. Come when you can, leave when you must!

The following dates are the schedule of events for the Ringgold Band Picnic:

### **Monday, July 31 @ 6:00 p.m.**

Clean-Up (clean up dining hall and wash dishes, mow grass and trim weeds.)

Please bring lawn equipment for grounds work.

### **Wednesday, August 2 @ 6:00 p.m.**

Rain date for clean up

### **Saturday, August 5 @ 1:00 p.m.**

Food Preparation

(peel potatoes for french fries, complete grounds work, wiping down serving stand).

### **Saturday, August 5 @ 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**

Help with picnic and food sales.

Refreshments available at 3:00 p.m.

Music from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### **Monday, August 7 @ 6:00 p.m.**

Close up buildings and trash removal.

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" ~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



**Prayer Concerns:**

Please pray for the men and women in the military, your neighbors and community, and our church. Pray for all those celebrating miracles. Prayers for all those who are suffering from violence, fear for their lives, those who have been affected by violent acts, those suffering from wounds and most importantly those who have lost a loved one.

*Help us keep our prayer list up to date. To add, remove, or update a prayer request, please contact the church office or place a colored prayer request slip from your pew in the offering plate. Prayer requests are kept on the list for a 4 week period, if you would like the person to remain on the list for an additional 4 weeks, please contact Nikki with an update.*

Abigale Beidler----- Recovering from concussion

Betty Miller ----- Struggling with Alzheimer's

Mae Bauer (Janet Conrad's Mom)-----  
Recovering at home from broken bones

Marie Schollenberger-----  
Diagnosed with blood cancer, receiving meds & chemo

Brian Conrad (Herm & Judy Conrad's Son)-----  
Home recovering with heart problems

Kris Endy (Bill & Dawn Endy's Daughter in Law)-----  
Recovering from lumpectomy

Fern Schanely -----  
In rehab recovering from back surgery

Claudia Schott-----  
In rehab recovering from hip surgery

Family of Molly Benfield -----  
She passed away on Monday

***HAPPENING THIS WEEK:***

**Sunday - July 9**

9:30 am Worship Service -  
Outdoor

**Monday - July 10**

No Prayer Group or Bible Study  
7 pm Worship Team Meeting

**Tuesday - July 11**

7 pm Consistory Meeting  
Women's Guild Meeting at  
Wagner's

***HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:***

**Sunday - July 16**

9:30 am Worship Service  
9:45 am Sunday School

**Monday - July 17**

9 am Prayer Group  
9:30 am Bible Study

**Tuesday - July 18**

7:30 pm Cemetery Board  
Meeting at St. John UCC

**July 19-22**

Mission Trip Birdsboro



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