

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for September: Anita Brady & Dottie Fronheiser

Worship Assistant: Dale Fronheiser

Nursery Caregivers: Anita Brady & Connie Hile

This week's flowers and bulletins are sponsored by Joel & Nikki Weller in honor of their 12th wedding anniversary.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Carey & Cheryl Anderson

Flowers: Matt & Kira Weller

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: 59 Sunday School: 24

Last Week's Offering: \$2,179.00

2017 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,070.65



Rev. Mary Lake-Dillensnyder, Pastor

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September 24, 2017

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 24, 2017

(+) *Those who are able please stand*

Bold - congregation responds as able

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Dwelling In His Word" R. Hughes

+CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

I thank my God every time I think of you.

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more.

+HYMN "Redeemed" Faith & Praise No. 514

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) Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hades; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty' from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON [NT page 215] James 5:13-20

HYMN "I Am Mine No More" Faith & Praise No. 683

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON [NT page 216] 1 Peter 1:13-21

SERMON "The Prayer of Faith" Pastor Mary

PASTORAL PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY "By the Mark" G. H. Welch & D Rawlings
Duet by Rick Furches & Elmer Miller

+OFFERING RESPONSE

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE (prayers for local and worldwide concerns)

PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

LORD'S PRAYER (debts & debtors) Blue Hymnal page 37

+HYMN "Take Time to Be Holy" Faith & Praise No. 731

+BENEDICTION

+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 "Finale in F" R. Wilson



Welcome Visitors - We warmly welcome you and ask that before you leave today, please make sure to sign the guestbook on the podium out in the Narthex.

Communitas - The weekly Communitas are available for you in the narthex.

Acolytes Needed - Young or Young at Heart are needed to help out. If you are interested please contact Nikki at 610-367-8114 for more details.

Community Outreach Ministry – We will continue to support our local community through Boyertown Multi-Service. For the month of October we will collect a few needed items for Thanksgiving Meals. Please do not feel like you have to contribute but if you can, know it is greatly appreciated by those who are in need! Items needed are:

- Boxes of Apple Cider Mix
- Canned Sweet Potatoes
- Evaporated Milk
- Boxes of Pie Crust Mix
- Boxes of Corn Muffing Mix
- Monetary Donations to Purchase Turkeys (please give donations to Nikki Weller)

Back to College – We need your help in getting a list together of names, addresses of our new college students, returning students, and military personnel. Please give your information ASAP to the church secretary at 610-367-8114 or nikki@stjohnhillucc.org

Please Note – It was decided not to participate in the Samaritan Purse Shoebox ministry this year, but rather contribute to a more local need at the Bethany Children’s Home. Therefore, we will not need shoeboxes nor items to fill them this season. Watch for more information coming soon about what items are needed for our new Christmas project and how you can help.

Annual Buckwheat Pancake & Sausage Supper – Saturday, October 7, 2017

Dinner served 3:00 -7:30 p.m.

Cost: Adults \$9.00 Children 3-10 yrs. \$5.00 Take out \$1.00 extra

Wednesday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m. - Clean-up of grounds and wash dishes in the dining hall. Your help is needed! (Please bring your own lawn equipment).

Saturday, October 7 at 7:00 a.m. - Morning food preparations start at 7 am.

-peel & slice potatoes, set up tables, prepare take out sides, cut & stack sausages

-1 pm help with mixing pancake mix, frying sausage and potatoes

-2:30 pm waitresses & kitchen help needed

Donations of baked goods are needed and are greatly appreciated!

Monday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m. - Trash removal and returning items from dining hall to church attic.

Again your help is needed. Please do not wait to be asked, we do not know your schedule, but we need your help for clean up on Wednesday evening and also for the Saturday events! Contact Eileen, Dennis or Nancy with what you can help with any day or time for above activities. Your time is so appreciated.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday – September 24

8:30 am Sunday School

8:30 am Confirmation Class

9:30 am Worship Service

3 pm Youth Event

Monday – September 25

9 am Prayer Group

9:30 am Bible Study

Wednesday – September 27

7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal

HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

Sunday – October 1

8:30 am Sunday School

8:30 am Confirmation Class

9:30 am Worship Service

Monday – October 2

9 am Prayer Group

9:30 am Bible Study

7 pm Sunday School Meeting

Tuesday – October 3

7 pm Women’s Guild Meeting

Wednesday – October 4

6 pm Supper Prep

7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal

“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.

Betty Miller ----- In Manatawny Manor

Marie Schollenberger ----- Recovering from another surgery

Kris Endy (Bill & Dawn Endy’s Daughter in Law) -----Battling Cancer

Marijane Kirby (Anita Brady’s Sister) -----recovering from surgery

Fern Schanely -----fell again, in rehab