

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for November: Mark Hile & David Mutter

Worship Assistant: Linda Mauger

Nursery Caregivers: Joel & Nikki Weller

This week's flowers are sponsored by Bill & Dawn Endy in memory of our parents.

This week's bulletins are sponsored by Terry & Mayetta Shane in honor of Josiah's 8th Birthday.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Dale & Dottie Fronheiser

Flowers: Dale & Dottie Fronhsier

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: 80 Sunday School: 25

Last Week's Offering: \$2,586.00

2017 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,070.65



Rev. Mary Lake-Dillensnyder, Pastor

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November 26, 2017

25th Sunday after Pentecost

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(+) *Those who are able please stand*

Bold - congregation responds as able

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Christ the Redeemer" T. Birchwood

+CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Psalm 95

O Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

Let us com before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with Psalms.

+HYMN "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Faith & Praise No. 143

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) Psalm 105

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Look to the Lord and his strength; see his face always. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced, O descendants of Abraham his servant, O sons of Jacob, his chosen ones. He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON [OT page 528] Psalms 95:1-7

HYMN "You Are My God" (Sing 2x) Faith & Praise No. 159

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON [NT page 181]

Ephesians 1:15-23

SERMON

Pastor Mary

PASTORAL PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

ANTHEM

"O Love"
accompanied by Katrina Prutzman

E. Hagenberg

+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

"I Stand Amazed"

Faith & Praise No. 147

+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

"What A Lovely Name"

C. Wycoft



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.

Bethany Children's home – We will be supporting Bethany Children's Home Christmas Wish List. Individual items needed can be found in the Narthex on the wall or a complete list is available by the wall too. Please return new unwrapped gifts by NEXT SUNDAY to the box located in the Narthex.

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

Blue Mountain Candles – The Women's Guild are selling Blue Mountain Candles. Orders are due TODAY. 24 oz. candle jars @ \$15 each (all candles have 2 wicks) or a set of 6 - 3 oz. wax melt cubes @ \$5. They make great Christmas gifts! See: Mayetta, Eileen, Clara, Megyn, Dorothy, Gloria, Mary Jane, Linda, Teresa, Kristin, Pastor Mary, Nancy or Marie.

Angel Tree – Our angel tree is up and ready for you to purchase gifts for a local family with 4 kids ages 11-15. Please take an angel from the tree and return the new unwrapped item by December 10 to the box located in the Narthex.

Quilt Making – Pastor Mary and the confirmation class are in need of wool fabric (coats, pants, dresses). If you have any you would like to donate please give it to Pastor Mary.

Readers Needed – For the Advent season we are looking for 4 couples to light/read one Sunday. One person would light the advent candle(s) and the other would do the reading. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Nikki.

Bulletin Deadline – Any information for the December 3 & 10 bulletins is due to Nikki by Tuesday, Nov. 28. Thank you!

Congregational Meeting – There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, 12/10 after church to review and hopefully approve the budget for 2018. Copies of the proposed budget will be available in the narthex for review prior to the meeting.

Christmas Decorating – We will gather to prepare the Sanctuary and Sunday School for Advent and Christmas on Saturday, December 2nd beginning at 1:00 pm.

Church Office – Please note the church office will be closed from December 1 thru 10. Nikki will be checking messages and e-mail while away. The January newsletter deadline is Dec 17th and the December 17th bulletin information is due by December 12th.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday – November 26

8:30 am Sunday School
8:30 am Confirmation Class
9:30 am Worship Service
Poinsettia Orders Due
6:30 pm Cantata Rehearsal

Monday – November 27

9 am Prayer Group
9:30 am Bible Study

Wednesday – November 29

7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal
7:45 pm Cantata Rehearsal

Saturday – December 2

1 pm Christmas Decorating

HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

Sunday – December 3

8:30 am Sunday School
8:30 am Confirmation Class
9:30 am Worship Service
Poinsettia Orders Due
6:30 pm Cantata Rehearsal

Monday – December 4

9 am Prayer Group
9:30 am Bible Study

Wednesday – December 6

7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal
7:45 pm Cantata 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.

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

John Mauger, Pearl Endy -----recovering from surgery

Royce Stauffer -----recovering from a stroke