

October 28, 2018

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Reformation Sunday

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

Today we remember the Protestant reformation, which began when Martin Luther nailed the 95 thesis to a door in 1517. The elements of our worship come from that era and that movement. Our unison prayers for today are from the Strassburg Liturgy of 1539. Our hymns are either from the era or in the style of the Reformation.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN

Blue Hymnal No. 24

“All People that on Earth do Dwell”

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Almighty, eternal God and Father,
we confess and acknowledge**

that we are inclined to all evil and slow to all good;

**that we transgress your holy commandments without
ceasing;**

and ever more corrupt ourselves.

But we are sorry for the same,

and beseech your grace and help.

Therefore have mercy upon us,

most gracious and merciful God and Father,

through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ.

Grant to us and increase in us your Holy Spirit,

that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness

from the bottom of our hearts,

attain true repentance and sorrow for them,

**die to them wholly,
and please you entirely by a new and godly life.
Amen.**

+SILENT CONFESSION

+WORDS OF ASSURANCE

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"O My Soul"

Blue Hymnal No. 83

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***O my soul, bless God, the Father; All within me bless
His name; Bless the Father, and forget not All His
mercies to proclaim.***

***Who forgiveth thy transgressions, Thy diseases all who
heals; Who redeems thee from destruction, Who
with thee so kindly deals.***

***Far as east from west is distant, He hath put away our
sin; Like the pity of a father Hath the Lord
compassion been.***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

**Almighty, gracious Father,
forasmuch as our whole salvation depends
upon our true understanding of your holy Word,
grant to all of us that our hearts, being freed from
worldly affairs,
may hear and apprehend your holy Word
with all diligence and faith,
that we may rightly understand your gracious will,
cherish it, and live by it with all earnestness,
to your praise and honor,
through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

[OT page 695]

Jeremiah 31:7-9

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

[NT page 44] Mark 10:46-52

SERMON

"What do you Want?"

Pastor Chuck Maxfield

+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.

CALL TO OFFERING

ANTHEM "The Church's One Foundation" L. Smith

+OFFERING RESPONSE Blue Hymnal No. 551

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***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him,
all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye
heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

+OFFERING PRAYER

+PRAYER HYMN Blue Hymnal No. 234

"As the Hart with Eager Yearning"

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER/ ES VADDER UNSER

Unser Vadder im Himmel,
Our Father who art in heaven,

Maag dei Naame heilig sei.
Hallowed be thy name.

Dei Reich soll kumme.
Thy kingdom come.

Dei Wille soll geduh warre uff der Aerd,
graad wie im Himmel.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Unser daegliches Brot geb uns heit.
Give us this day our daily bread.

Un vergeb uns unsere Schulde,
so wie mir annere ihre Schulde vergewwe.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Un fiehr uns net in Versuchung,
awwer erlees uns vun Iwwel.
*And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.*

Deins iss es Reich, un die Graft,
un die Hallichkeit in Ewichkeit.
*For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever.*

Amen.

+HYMN "A Mighty Fortress" Blue Hymnal No. 281

+COMMISSION & BENEDECTION

+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 me meet again.***

+POSTLUDE "Hear My Cry, O God" D. Callender



- * Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex.
- * The weekly *Communitas* are available in the narthex.

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.

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

Church Treasurer – We are now accepting applications to fill this position order to allow ample time for any necessary training. Applications can be found in the Narthex or the church office. If you have any questions please feel free to ask a consistory member.

Blood Drive – The November 2018 Miller Keystone Blood Drive will be held on Monday, November 19 in order to accommodate the St. Joseph's Daycare Thanksgiving program. This is a change from the typical third Tuesday schedule.

Community Outreach - For November, we will be helping out Reading Berks Council of Churches. Their chaplains provide services at Berks County Jail and over Christmas they provide a chocolate treat for each inmate. They need to collect 1300 individually wrapped 1.55 oz. Hershey bars. Next trip out, pick up a bar or more and place it in the box in the Narthex. Note: ALL bars must be the same (see photo below). *If you are looking to buy lots, Amazon and Sam's have packs of 36 bars for \$20.* Thank you in advance for your support of this project! If you have any questions, please see Nikki Weller.



Thank You – We received a thank you letter from Operation Backpack for the food donations we collected. The donations filled approx. 65 backpacks!

Acolytes – We are in need of acolytes...Young or young at heart. Please see Nikki if you are willing to help out.

Hoagie Sale – Mission Trip hoagie sale order form is in the bulletin. Orders are due to Eileen Fisher by TODAY.

Christmas Eve – The worship team and consistory are working to plan the services for Christmas Eve and would like your input on service times. Please see any consistory member or contact Nikki in the office.

All Saints Sunday – Next Sunday, Nov. 4 we will be honoring the late Rev. James W. Rogers during our 9:30 am worship service. Please join us for this special service.

Women's Guild Fundraiser - Join us on Sunday, November 25th for some fun and crafting!!! We are hosting a "fun" fundraiser through Susie Camm from Make and Take and will be making a wooden pallet "BELIEVE" sign. The sign can be used as either an inside or outside decoration or used as a gift. (they will all have an outside finish placed on them). No worries - Signs will be stenciled in. All you need do is to paint within the lines and have fun!! Price is \$35.00. We will lunch at church before we craft. Crafting will begin at noon and end around 1:30. All church members, family or guests are invited. Register with Nancy Weller by November 11. Below is a sample of our craft.



Annual Turkey Supper

Saturday, November 3, 2018

Dinner served 3:00 – 7:30 p.m. Tickets sold until 7:00 p.m.

Cost: Adults \$12.00 Children 3-10 years \$6.50

Take out \$1.00 extra

Dinner includes: Traditional Turkey Dinner with all of the trimmings, dessert & beverage

Can you help out?

Wednesday, October 31 @ 6:00 p.m. – Move supplies from church to dining hall, general prep work

Thursday, November 1 @ 7:00 a.m. – Roast Turkeys, wash dishes, clean dining hall

Friday, November 2 @ 6:00 p.m. – Peel potatoes, prepare pepper cabbage, slice meat

Saturday, November 3 @ 7:00 a.m. – Prepare Potato filling, Hill Church beans and take outs

Monday November 5 @ 6:00 p.m. – Move supplies from dining hall to church attic and winterize the dining hall.

Donations of baked goods are needed and greatly appreciated.

Proceeds from the Turkey Supper are used to maintain our properties and do the work of the church. Do not miss this opportunity to join in the fun and be a part of this tradition!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday - October 28

Reformation Sunday
8:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Worship Service

Monday - October 29

9 am Bible Study & Prayer Group

Wednesday - October 31

6 pm Supper Prep
7 pm Choir Rehearsal
8 pm Cantata Rehearsal

Thursday - November 1

7 am Cook Turkeys

Friday - November 2

6 pm Supper Prep

Saturday - November 3

Turkey Supper

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6 pm Supper Clean-up

Wednesday - November 7

7 pm Choir Rehearsal
8 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.

Brad Kolb (Geneva Kolb’s Son) ----- disabled

Dennis (Dale Fronheiser’s Uncle) & Ruth Brooke -----

----- Ruth is in declining health

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for October: Clarence Weller & David Mutter

Worship Assistant: Barb Helbig

Nursery Caregivers: Tracy Kochey & Roxanne Anhalt

This week's flowers are sponsored by Edie Krause & family in honor of Shelly Robertson's birthday.

This week's bulletins are sponsored by Sophia Jinks.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Teresa Skoog

Flowers: Linda Mauger

2018 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: 44

Last Week's Offering: \$1,797.01

2018 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,099.11

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Nikki's Office Hours: Mon. 11 am – 3:30 pm;

Note: Nikki will be out of the office Oct 30-Nov 2

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