

**July 7, 2019**

# St. John – Hill U.C.C.

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**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 7, 2019**

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE                      “Bless This Earth”                      J. Calkins

## CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Thank you, God, for setting us free through the gift of  
your Son.

**We praise you for the life, death and resurrection of  
Jesus.**

Thank you, God, for the freedom we enjoy.

**We praise you that no matter what, we can be freed  
and forgiven by Christ.**

Thank you, God, for this time of worship.

**Come and set our hearts on fire as we praise you for  
our ultimate freedom won not through war but on  
a cross where our Savior died, only to rise again.**

+HYMN      “We Praise Thee O God”      Faith & Praise No. 2

## +CALL TO CONFESSION

## +PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**We confess to you, our good Shepherd,  
and before one another that we have sinned.**

**You have good things in store for us,  
but we balk and lament and do not listen to your  
voice.**

**We are drawn away by the sights  
and sounds around us.**

**We worry about the quality of the pasture  
and the depth of the water  
instead of trusting in you.**

**When you call us to follow,**

**we prefer to stay where we are.  
Forgive us and bring us once more into your fold  
and teach us to trust you and follow you. Amen.**

+SILENT CONFESSION

+WORDS OF ASSURANCE

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

**"Something Beautiful"**

Faith & Praise No. 571

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***Something beautiful, something good; All my confusion  
He understood; All I had to offer Him was  
brokenness and strife, But He made something  
beautiful of my life.***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your  
light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and  
in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ,  
our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON [OT page 328] 2 Kings 5:1-14

GOSPEL LESSON [NT page 67] Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

SERMON

Ted Maurer

+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 "By the Mark" Vince & Daily  
*Duet by Rick Furches & Elmer Miller*

+OFFERING RESPONSE

"Glorify Thy Name" Faith & Praise No. 77

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*Father, we love You, we worship and adore You.*

*Glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name. Glorify Thy name in all the earth.*

*Jesus, ...*

*Spirit, ...*

+OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN "O Zion, Haste" Faith & Praise No. 656

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER Blue Hymnal pg. 37

+HYMN "America the Beautiful" Faith & Praise No. 1007

+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 we meet again.*

+POSTLUDE "God Bless Our Lord" J. Sciveyner



\* Large print bulletins are available from the usher.

\* 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

**Mission Trip Birdsboro** – Here is another opportunity to support this ministry July 17-20. Daily lunches are provided for all site workers. Included in these are things like fresh fruit and assorted snacks. The Kitchen Committee is looking for anyone willing to donate either of these items. Fruit choices are things such as: apples, bananas, grapes, oranges or whatever is in season. Snack suggestions are: salty such as chips, etc. or sweet like cookies. Items should be in individual serving size packages. Homemade cookies are always welcome. Please contact Connie Hile at 610-367-6572 to volunteer or with any questions you have. **Deadline to respond is TODAY.** Thank you for your help.

**Upcoming Summer Events:**

July 17-20 – Mission Trip Birdsboro

August 3 – Ringgold Band Concert & Picnic

August 4 – Potluck Family Picnic, Games & Activities for all

September 15 – Remington Ryde Summer Concert

**Family Picnic** – After outdoor worship August 4, we will be having a family picnic with food (potluck), games and activities for all. Plan to stay after worship and join us for fun and fellowship!

**July Office Hours** – Please note the church office will be closed July 11-23 while Nikki is away. Nikki will continue to check e-mail and phone messages while away.

**Pulpit Exchange** – Sunday, July 28 we will have a pulpit exchange with St. Paul's UCC in Birdsboro. Pastor Joe Motz will be here in the pulpit to share a message with us while Pastor Chuck will be at St. Paul's.

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***July Sponsorship Opportunities***

Altar Flowers: 7, 14, 28

Bulletins: 7, 14, 21

*If you would like to sponsor an upcoming Sunday, please sign up in the Narthex or contact Nikki in the church office.*

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***HAPPENING THIS WEEK:***

**Sunday - July 7**

9:30 am Worship Service

**Monday - July 8**

9 am Bible Study

**Tuesday - July 9**

7 pm Consistory Meeting

**Saturday - July 13**

8 am Work Day

***HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:***

**Sunday - July 14**

9:30 am Worship Service

**Monday - July 15**

9 am Bible Study

**July 17-20**

Mission Trip Birdsboro

“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

Mary Motz -----broke her foot

## Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for July: Sally Shirk & Rick Furches.

Worship Assistant: Dale Fronheiser

Nursery Caregivers: Joel & Nikki Weller

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins:

Flowers:

*2019 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: 53

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Last Week's Offering: \$2,432.00

2019 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$2,975.29

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*Nikki's Office Hours:*

*Mon. 11 am – 3 pm; Tues. 9 am – 3 pm; & Wed. 12:30 – 3 pm*

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