

**October 27, 2019**

# St. John – Hill U.C.C.

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**Reformation Sunday**

**October 27, 2019**

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*“To God be the Glory”*

*Accordion Solo by Andrew Jinks*

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN

*“A Mighty Fortress”*

Faith & Praise No. 10

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

*<http://www.preachinginpumps.com/liturgy/reformation-sunday-prayer-of-confession/>*

**Loving God, whose gentle touch can carefully guide the restoration of unity: Help us along our journey towards peace. Forgive us for the times when we do not do the hard work required to honor our covenants with one another. Always allow your touch to be stronger than the resistance that we might give to it. Open our eyes to the cloud of witnesses who have come before us and worked towards a shared vision of shalom. Steer us to learn from both their successes and their failures. Do not give up on us, even when we stumble. Help us to love others as you love us – now and always. Amen.**

+SILENT CONFESSION

+WORDS OF ASSURANCE

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Something Beautiful”

Faith & Praise No. 571

“Something Beautiful” words by Gloria Gaither, music by William Gaither ©1971 William J. Gaither  
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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)

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your  
Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and  
your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy  
what you say to us today. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON [OT page 521] Psalm 84:1-7

GOSPEL LESSON [NT page 77] Luke 18:9-14

MESSAGE Reformers of the Church

+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 “Jesus Shepherd of My Heart” D. Hannibal

+OFFERING RESPONSE

"Glorify Thy Name"

Faith & Praise No. 77

"Glorify Thy Name" words and music by Donna Adkins  
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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

Faith & Praise No. 589

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Blue Hymnal pg. 37

+HYMN

Faith & Praise No. 715

"The Church's One Foundation"

+COMMISSION & BENEDICTION

+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

"Legions for Christ"

R. Wilson



\* Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex.

\* Weekly Communitas are available on our website.

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## ***November Sponsorship Opportunities***

Altar Flowers: 24

Bulletins: 10

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

**Community Outreach Collection** - During the month of October we will be collecting gently used and new shoes. These can be for boys, girls, teens, men & women and any size from baby to adults (larger and wide sizes are greatly appreciated). The shoes will go to local families in need through In Ian's Boots. Thank you in advance for your support of this project! If you have any questions, please contact Nikki in the church office.

**Wreaths Across America** - This event will be held in Boyertown on December 14th at noon at Fairview Cemetery. Please come volunteer and go online to sponsor a wreath. Wreaths are \$15 each. Fairview has 710 veterans, so please sponsor today through the website ([www.wreathscrossamerica.org](http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org)) and search our location: Fairview Cemetery, Boyertown, PA. Any questions please contact Ray and Tracy Kochey

**Soda Tab Collection** - You see them every time you open up a soft drink or soup, sometimes even find them when you feed your pet. Those tiny little tabs are easy to overlook, but they can make a BIG impact on the families at Ronald McDonald House. Join us as we support The Thrivent Member Network's Pop Tab Collection Challenge! It's Simple - Pop Them! - Find A Tab & Pop It, Drop Them! - in The Collection Box located in the Narthex and Sunday School hallway. Make An Impact ... Start Collecting Today!

**Office Hours** – Please note Nikki will be out of the office October 31-November 5. While away, Nikki will check phone messages and e-mails.

**ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER**

**Saturday, November 2, 2019**

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

**Wednesday, October 30 @ 6:00 p.m.** – Move supplies from church to dining hall, general prep work

**Thursday, October 31 @ 7:00 a.m.** – Roast Turkeys, wash dishes, clean dining hall

**Friday, November 1 @ 6:00 p.m.** – Peel potatoes, prepare pepper cabbage, slice meat

**Saturday, November 2 @ 7:00 a.m.** – Prepare Potato filling, Hill Church beans and take outs

**Monday November 4 @ 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 27**

8:30 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Worship Service  
Reformation Sunday  
7 pm Bible Study

**Monday - October 28**

9 am Bible Study

**Wednesday - October 30**

6 pm Turkey Supper Prep  
7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal  
8 pm Cantata Rehearsal

**Thursday - October 31**

7 am Turkey Supper Prep

**Friday - November 1**

6 pm Turkey Supper Prep

**Saturday - November 2**

Turkey Supper

***HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:***

**Sunday - November 3**

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

**Monday - November 4**

9 am Bible Study  
6 pm Turkey Supper  
Clean Up

**Wednesday - November 6**

7 pm Sr. 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

## Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for October: Terry Shane & Matt Weller

Worship Assistant: Ray Kochey

Nursery Caregivers: Joel & Nikki Weller

This week's flowers and bulletins are sponsored by Dale & Dottie Fronheiser.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Teresa Skoog

Flowers: Dale & Dottie Fronheiser

*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: 44

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Last Week's Offering: \$1,64.01

2019 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$2,975.29

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*Mon. 9 am - 3 pm; Tues. 9 am - 12 pm*

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