

May 12, 2019

St. John - Hill U.C.C.

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3rd Sunday after Easter

May 12, 2019

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "God Bless the Mothers" D.L. Moore

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN Blue Hymnal No. 12
 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Father, we have done wrong,
by not caring when we should have loved;
by our indifference to the cry of need;
by hating and ignoring our neighbors.
We have rejected the way of your Son.
Forgive us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

+SILENT CONFESSION

+WORDS OF ASSURANCE

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"I Sing the Praise" Blue Hymnal No. 17

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*I Sing the praise of love unbounded, Which God in
Christ has shown to man; I sing of love that hath
been founded, Ere yet the stars their courses ran; The
love that offers free salvation, To sinful man of
every nation*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

**Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word.
Silence in us any voice but your own, that,
hearing, we may also obey your will; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 5:17-42 [NT page 116]

SERMON “Whom do we obey?” 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 “Shout On” D. Paxton

+OFFERING RESPONSE “Take My Life & Let It Be”

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***Take my life and let it be, Consecrated, Lord to Thee;
Take my hands and let them move, At the impulse
of Thy love, At the impulse of Thy love.***

***Take my love my God, I pour, At Thy feet its treasure
store; Take myself and I will be, Ever, only all for
Thee, Ever only all for Thee.***

+OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN "In Solitude" See Bulletin

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

+HYMN Blue Hymnal No. 287
"God of Grace & God of Glory"

+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 "Be Thou Exalted" C. Nordman



* 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

VBS Help Needed – Volunteer forms are in the Narthex and on the window sills...Please consider helping out with VBS! You can now also sign-up online at www.stjohnhillucc.org or in the Narthex!

VBS Tees – Volunteers, do you want a fun way to remember the amazing week? Order forms for t-shirts are on the window sills and due by May 19...order yours now!

VBS Fundraiser – Congratulation to drum #4! You were voted as the favorite drum. Thank you to everyone who voted and donated to this contest. We raised \$223 towards purchasing VBS cds for the kids.

Part Time Help Wanted – Anhalt Carpet & Tile Cleaning is looking for part-time/per-diem help. If you are interested or want more details please contact Charles at 484-333-1424

Collection – VBS needs toilet paper and paper towel rolls! Please place empty rolls in the box marked in the Narthex!

Ham Supper – Posters are available. Please take one and hang it up around the community!

VBS Donations – The VBS donation wall is up in the narthex. In addition to the items on the wall we need to ask if you have any items in your home we can borrow. If you have any of the items below, please bring them to church and place them in the primary floor Sunday School rooms and also make sure your name is on them so they can be returned to you. Items needed are:

- Safari/fishing/explorer Vest
- Safari Hat
- Binoculars
- Stuffed or inflatable African animals
- Round baskets

We also need (these items will not be returned):

- Brown Paper Bags
- Grass Skirts
- Bright Green Poster Board

May Sponsorship Opportunities

Altar Flowers: 26

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

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday - May 12

8:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Worship Service
Geranium Orders Due

Monday - May 13

9 am Bible Study
6 pm Ham Supper Prep
7 pm Sunday School Meeting

Monday - May 14

7 pm Consistory Meeting

Wednesday - May 15

7 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday - May 17

6 pm Ham Supper Prep

Saturday - May 18

7 am Ham Supper Final Prep
3-7:30 pm Ham Supper
Served

HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

Sunday - May 19

8:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Worship Service
Joyful Noise Offering

Monday - May 20

9 am Bible Study
6 pm Ham Supper Clean Up

Wednesday - May 22

7 pm 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.

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

Marie Schollenberger-----at Chestnut Knoll

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for May: Bonnie Helmick & Arlan Schaeffer.

Worship Assistant: Matt Weller

Nursery Caregivers: Mayetta & Terry Shane

This week's bulletins are sponsored by Joel & Nikki Weller in honor of Macy's 3rd birthday.

This week's flowers are sponsored by Helen Dotterer.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Kevin & Wendy Schollenberger

Flowers: Paul & Sally Shirk

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: 68

Last Week's Offering: \$3,433.00

2019 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$2,975.29

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Rev. Charles Maxfield, Interim Pastor

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Wendy Shane, Treasurer

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*Rom. 8:26-27; Eph. 5:18-20**Ruth Duck, 1983*

1 In sol - i - tude, in sol - i - tude, I come to God in prayer.
 2 When-e'er the world is troub-ling me, and stress is all a - round,
 3 In sea - sons of per - plex - i - ty, in times of deep de - spair,
 4 And when my heart is bur - dened down with cares for those I love,
 5 With psalms and hymns and songs of praise be - fore my God I'll come,

In si - lence and sim - plic - i - ty, my spir - it blos - soms there.
 I seek the pres - ence of my God, and heal - ing light is found.
 I light a can - dle in the night and turn to God in prayer.
 too deep for words, with groans and sighs, de - scends the ho - ly dove.
 till death it - self is past and gone, and I ar - rive at home.

Ruth Duck has commented that "these words were inspired by a pentatonic melody which came to me as I taught myself to play the mandolin." They are an expression of her "deep-rooted southern spirituality."

Tune: LAND OF REST C.M.
 Traditional United States melody
 Harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938

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Annual Ham Supper

Saturday, May 18th

Tickets will be sold from 2:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Meals will be served from 3:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Adults \$11.00, Children (3-10 yrs) \$5.50

Take-Out Orders \$1.00 Extra



Dinner Includes:

Ham, Potato Filing, Vegetables, Dessert, & Beverages

THE PUBLIC IS CORDIALLY INVITED

The Preparation Schedule:

*Come and help when you can...a good time and great fellowship
will be had!*

- Monday, May 13 at 6 pm – Clean grounds, move supplies from church, prepare building, wash dishes
- Wednesday, May 15 – Rain date for Monday
- Friday, May 17 at 6 pm – Food prep (slice hams, peel potatoes, etc.)
- Saturday, May 18 at 7 am – Begin final preparations
- Monday, May 20 at 6 pm – Clean up, move supplies back to church (*the remaining ice cream needs to be eaten!*)

In the Palm of His Hand

John 10:22-30

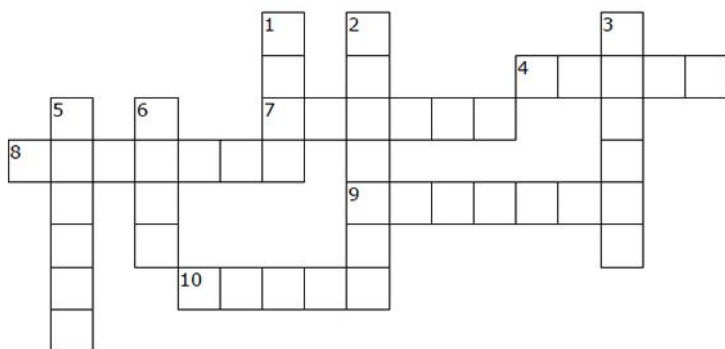
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Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

4. Wooly animal similar to goats
7. To move behind someone or something and go where they go
8. Something that cannot be explained by the laws of nature
9. Lasting forever, never ending
10. Sounds that come from the throat when people speak or sing

DOWN

1. The period between birth and death
2. To think that something is true
3. A building used for religious ceremonies or worship.
5. The season between autumn and spring
6. The body part used for holding things

ETERNAL
BELIEVE

LIFE
HAND

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