

Sunday Morning Liturgy

God Gathers Us in Prayer and Praise

Announcements

Cub Scout Pack #86 Flag Ceremony

Opening Hymn #708 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

Greeting:

P: The boundless grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of God, and the light of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Prayer of the Day

We Hear God's Word

First Reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Psalms: 37:1-11, 39-40

Second Reading: I Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Response after the reading is announced: **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

Response after the reading is concluded: **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

Sermon

We Respond to All That God Gives Us

A New Creed:

WE ARE NOT ALONE,

WE LIVE IN GOD'S WORLD.

WE BELIEVE IN GOD:

WHO HAS CREATED AND IS CREATING,

WHO HAS COME IN JESUS,

THE WORD MADE FLESH,

TO RECONCILE AND MAKE NEW,

WHO WORKS IN US AND OTHERS

BY THE SPIRIT.

WE TRUST IN GOD.

WE ARE CALLED TO BE THE CHURCH:

TO CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE,

TO LIVE WITH RESPECT IN CREATION,

TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS,

TO SEEK JUSTICE AND RESIST EVIL,

TO PROCLAIM JESUS, CRUCIFIED AND RISEN,

OUR JUDGE AND OUR HOPE.

IN LIFE, IN DEATH, IN LIFE BEYOND DEATH,

GOD IS WITH US.

WE ARE NOT ALONE.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

-The United Church of Canada, 1968

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings and Musical Anthem by Grayson Foreman,
Madeline Williard, and Barry Williard

Prayers

Our Lord's Prayer:

OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME, THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN. GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD; AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES, AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US; AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.

FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN.

God Sends Us to Share the Good News

Blessing:

P: God Almighty send us light and truth to keep us all the days of our lives. The hand of God protect us; the holy angels accompany us; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with us now and forever.

C: **AMEN**

Closing Hymn #779 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: **WE WILL. THANKS BE TO GOD!**

Organ Postlude and Silent Prayer



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Our Mission

St. John congregation, responding to the call of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel, unites together to preach and teach the Word, administer the sacraments, and carry out God's mission. With God's guidance and grace, we strive to boldly proclaim by word and action the reconciling Gospel of Jesus: Working together for justice and peace, and caring for those in need in our community and world. We invite everyone to join us wherever you are on your faith journey.

Adopted December 8, 2013

Serving Today

The Rev. Thomas G. Bruner, Jr.	Pastor
Laurie Little	Young Christians Minister
Carol Hubler	Organist
Barry Williard	Lector
Roy Henry	Council President

For the month of February, our **Celebrate** lectionary bulletin inserts, our support of **Tree 4 Hope**, and our support of one pastor for one month in the **Konde Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania** are all sponsored by Jamie Doyle for the many blessings of our congregation.

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book in the foyer, and please worship with us again and join in other congregational family activities!

Today, Sunday, February 20

9am Adult Bible Study (On Zoom)
9am SONDay Celebration (In-Person) – Masking and safe distancing are required for everyone present – both adults and young persons – to do our best to protect our (unvaccinated per current guidelines) younger congregational family members!
9am Confirmation Class (In-Person)
9am Youth Group Bible Time (In-Person)
10:15am Worship, **Including the Observance of Scout Sunday with Members and Leaders of Cub Scout Pack #46** and Celebration Time with Miss Laurie for Young Persons In-Person (In-Person and On Zoom) – Masking is required for everyone who is not yet fully vaccinated, as our area continues to remain at the highest level of virus transmission.

Monday, February 21

Pastor Tom Taking Monthly Extra Day Off – No Planned Office Hours

Tuesday, February 22

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours
6:15pm Property Committee Meeting (**planned for in-person, safely-spaced in the "Sunday School" Room**)

Wednesday, February 23

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours
6:30pm Midweek Bible Study (on Zoom)

7pm Weekly Congregational Family Time of Prayer 1. for All Educators/Students/Families and 2. for Our Health Professionals (**Please make use of the list of health care professionals at the end of this bulletin information, taking a few minutes to lift each person up to God by name. To add names to the list, please contact Pastor Tom with their information.**)

Thursday, February 24

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Friday, February 25

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Saturday, February 26

Pastor Tom's Weekly Day Off

Next Sunday, February 27

Transfiguration of Our Lord

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11:30am Youth Group Outing Departs the Church

4pm Congregational Council Meeting

Looking Ahead

The first planning meeting for our Annual Strawberry Festival will be held on **Shrove Tuesday, March 1, beginning at 7:00 P.M.** (The meeting is planned for in-person, safely-spaced in the "Sunday School" Room. Since there really isn't a fixed committee and the meeting is literally made up of those interested persons who show up each time, all interested persons are invited to attend. The Festival itself is planned for June 8.)

Our journey through the Season of Lent begins **March 2 at 7:00 P.M.**, as always with our observance of **Ash Wednesday**, both in-person and on Zoom. The optional imposition of ashes, like Holy Communion, will be available in drive-up fashion for those joining in worship on the Zoom platform. Please contact Pastor Tom in advance if you will be planning to take advantage of the drive-up option!

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Please join us for upcoming Book Group Discussions! For the next several months, all gatherings will be on Zoom at 6:30 pm. Call or email Ann 717.362.7895 rahbruner@gmail.com if you need a book or have any questions. Copies of the book should be available on the bench under the bulletin board in the foyer. Next up – Monday, March 7: Code Girls by Liza Mundy. And looking further ahead:

April 4 **And Then You Loved Me** by Elspeth Cooper

May 2 **American Harvest** by Marie Mutsuki Mocket

Hope to see you there!

Containers are located in the foyer for food donations for the food pantry at the Upper Dauphin Human Services Center in Lykens. Please drop off non-perishable food items at any time and, as the contributions add up, deliveries will be made to the pantry by **Larry Gessner**. Thank you!

If you are not currently comfortable taking part in in-person worship, there are **three** very simple options for giving your tithes and offerings. You are welcome to 1. mail your offering to the church (PO Box 270, Berrysburg, 17005-0270) or 2. drop it by the church and place it in the red plastic tub that is prominently visible in the Sunday School Room, on the table just outside Pastor Tom's office door. In addition, 3. if neither of those is easily done, you may wish to contact your bank about setting up an automatic payment, as some of our congregational family members also have done, whereby the offering you direct is sent by your bank as a check mailed directly to the church. In all cases, Pastor Tom will then see that all offerings received get securely passed along to our counters.

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Hospitalized/Residing in Senior Living/Dealing with Acute Illness

- **Judy Cheatham** –Rm. #47B, Cadia Healthcare, 900 Van Buren Street, Annapolis, MD 21403
- **Timothy Enders** – Harrisburg, Rm. #580 (Select Specialty Hospital)
- **Jane Grosser** – Rm. #705, Northern Dauphin Nursing and Rehab. Center, Millersburg, 17061
- **Warren Hassinger** – Rm. #103 – Connections Unit, Providence Place of Pottsville, 2200 First Avenue, Pottsville, 17901
- **Marzette Hoffman** – Rm. #805, Northern Dauphin Nursing & Rehab. Center
- **Cora Mace** – Rm. #3647, Roosevelt 3, Masonic Health Care Center, 600 Freemason Drive, Elizabethtown, 17022
- **Joyce Matter** – Rm. #128, Commonwealth Senior Living at Harrisburg, 150 Kempton Avenue, Harrisburg, 17111 (717.909.0417)
- **Ken Nace** – At Home, Undergoing Chemotherapy Treatment for Cancer
- **Donna Rabenold** – At Home, Now Undergoing Second Phase of Chemotherapy for Breast Cancer
- **Doris Schaffer** – At Home on Hospice Care

Our Faith Active in Worship – February 6, 2022

Current – Approx. Budget Goal	\$2,606
Current – Offerings Received	\$2,413
Benevolence – Offerings Received	\$208
Improvement – Offerings Received	\$95
Children & Youth Ministry – Offerings Received	\$143
Total Attendance	Zoom – 36, In Person – 51

Our Faith Active in Worship – February 13, 2022

Current – Approx. Budget Goal	\$2,606
Current – Offerings Received	\$2,800
Benevolence – Offerings Received	\$320
Improvement – Offerings Received	\$65
Children & Youth Ministry – Offerings Received	\$312
Total Attendance	Zoom – 53, In Person – 83

Medical Professionals in Our Prayers in this Time of COVID-19 (updated 8/23/21)

- **Paulette Warner, Non-Emergency Medical Transportation**
- **Jenna Troutman, RN**
- **Jodi Thompson, CCMA**
- **Gwen Switzer, RTR**
- **Payton Stutzman, Hospital Clinical Assistant**
- **Kristen Spicher, RN**
- **Sara Shaffer, RN**
- **Steven Schlegel, Paramedic**
- **Michelle Scheff*, MS, CCC/SLP** (Speech Therapist in Seattle, WA)
- **Joanne Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **David Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **Dr. Todd Peters*** (Chief Medical Officer in Baltimore, MD)
- **Joshua Peters, PA-C** (Serving in Colorado)
- **Dr. Alayna Peters** (Doctor of Pharmacy in Hagerstown, MD)
- **Courtney Peifer*, Psych Technician**
- **Sara Paul, Family Practice Center Medical Receptionist**
- **Bobby Paul, BS**
- **Angela Paul, PTA**
- **Cindy Nicholson*, RN**
- **Whitni Ney, RN**
- **Haley Nestor*, BSN, RN**
- **Shannon Motter, RN**
- **Courtney Miller, B.S. R.T(R)(CT)**
- **Roni Mace, RN**
- **Heidi Lehman, RT (R)**
- **Shawnita Latsha, RT (RDMS, RVT)**
- **Rose Kell, MS** (Occupational Therapist in California)
- **Nichole Holman*, RN**
- **Dr. Tonya Henninger & Dr. Sarah Bork*** (Hospitalists in Seattle, WA)
- **Abigail Francisco*, RN**
- **Robert Foreman, Paramedic**
- **Courtney Foreman, RN**
- **Glenn Fontaine*, RN** (Serving in Michigan)
- **Ann Fontaine*, PA-C** (Serving in Michigan)
- **Olivia Enders, CNA**
- **Dr. Seth Eisenberg*** (Anesthesiologist in Atlanta, GA)
- **Rachel Denlinger*, RN** (Serving in Charleston, SC)
- **Gary Daniels, EMT**
- **Dr. Timothy Bruner & Dr. Gabrielle Fregeau*** (Doctors of Physical Therapy in Ocean County, NJ)
- **Dr. Daniel Bruner & Dr. Richelle Demers*** (Doctors of Chiropractic)
- **Dr. Jerrel Boyer*** (Neurosurgeon in Chicago, IL)
- **Dr. Brett Bellis*** (Doctor of Chiropractic)
- **Chelsea Beard, EFDA**

*denotes someone who is a part of our extended congregational family