# **Sunday Morning Liturgy**

## God Gathers Us in Prayer and Praise

Announcements

Organ Prelude and Silent Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness:

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free, the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy, the Dawn from on High who guides us into peace.
- C: AMEN.
- P: Let us come before God in confession.. (brief silence follows)
- P: To you, O God,
- C: WE LIFT UP OUR SOULS. YOU KNOW US THROUGH AND THROUGH; WE CONFESS OUR SINS TO YOU. REMEMBER NOT OUR SINS; REMEMBER US WITH YOUR STEADFAST LOVE. SHOW US YOUR WAYS; TEACH US YOUR PATHS; AND LEAD US IN JUSTICE AND TRUTH, FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR GOODNESS IN JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR. AMEN.
- P: Sisters and brothers, come with joy and draw water from the well of salvation. Remember the gift of baptism: our sin is washed away in the name of Jesus; we belong to Christ; we are anointed to serve. Stand up and raise your heads! The reign of God is near.
- C: AMEN.

Opening Hymn #514 "O Word of God Incarnate"

Greeting:

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the refining fire of the Holy Spirit, and the peace of God, which surpasses understanding, be with you all.
- C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Prayer of the Day

# We Hear God's Word

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm: 19

Second Reading: I Corinthians 12:12-31a

Gospel: Luke 4:14-21

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

Installation of New Congregational Council Members 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

Musical Anthem

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: May God direct our ways in peace, make us abound in love for one another and for all, and strengthen our hearts until the coming of our Lord Jesus. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever.

C: AMEN

Closing Hymn #314 "Arise, Your Light Has Come!" Dismissal:

- P: Go in peace. Christ is with us.
- 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**

James Watson Leader Laurie Little Young Christians Minister Judy Ferree Organist Revann Cheatham Lector Roy Henry Council President

For the month of January, 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 Roy and Rachel Henry for our many blessings throughout the year.

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, Su	<u>nday, January 23</u>		
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	am Worship, Including Installation of New Congregational Council Members		
	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.		
11:15am	Financial Secretary Pat Herb will be available in the kitchen downstairs		
	immediately after the conclusion of worship for picking up 2021 Financial		
	Contribution Statements.		
4pm	Congregational Council Meeting		
6-8pm	Youth Group Game Night at the Church (Each youth is asked to please		

bring along: a favorite game, a snack for sharing, her/his own drink.)

This morning, we install five recently-elected persons in their offices as Congregational Council Members: Carl Baumgardner, Gail Billow, Courtney Foreman, Joshua Paul, and Craig Peters.

# Monday, January 24

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

### Tuesday, January 25

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, January 26

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, January 27

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours

#### Friday, January 28

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

#### Saturday, January 29

Pastor Tom's Weekly Day Off

#### Next Sunday, January 30

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Adult Bible Study (On Zoom) 9am

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immediately after the conclusion of worship for the final time for picking up

2021 Financial Contribution Statements.

# **Looking Ahead**

The February gathering of *Celebration Club with Miss Laurie* will be held in-person at the church on Wednesday, February 2, from 6:30 to 8:00 P.M.

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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 <a href="mailto:rahbruner@gmail.com">rahbruner@gmail.com</a> if you need a book or have any questions. <a href="mailto:Next up - Monday">Next up - Monday</a>, <a href="mailto:February 7">February 7: The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michelle Richardson</a>. And looking further ahead:

March 7 Code Girls by Liza Mundy

April 4 And Then You Loved Me by Elspeth Cooper

May 2 American Harvest by Marie Mutsuki Mocket

Hope to see you there!

2022 offering envelopes are available in the foyer. Please stop by the table and take along those of family members and neighbors!

Copies of the 2021 Annual Congregational Report are also available in the foyer, for those who either aren't able to access the pdf copy online or who would prefer to have a hard copy as well.

**Attention Musicians!!** In the remaining time until our Senior Choir is once again "up and singing" it would be great to share in the musical gifts of the members of our talented congregational family at least one Sunday each month, if not more often. Persons of any age or level of experience, who might be interested in playing any kind of instrument or singing, alone or with a partner, are asked to please speak with Carol Hubler or Judy Ferree.

If you are not currently comfortable taking part in in-person worship, there are <a href="three">three</a> 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.

# Our Faith Active in Worship - January 16, 2022

Current – Budget Goal	\$TBD
Current – Offerings Received	\$4,072
Benevolence – Offerings Received	\$ 250
Improvement – Offerings Received	\$ 110
Children & Youth Ministry – Offerings Received	\$1,093
Total Attendance	Zoom - 45, In Person - 52

# Hospitalized/Residing in Senior Living/Dealing with Acute Illness

- Louise Baumgardner Continuing Her Recovery at Home
- 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
- Richard Henninger At Home on Hospice Care
- Marzette Hoffman Rm. #805, Northern Dauphin Nursing & Rehab. Center
- Dana Klouser UPMC Community Osteopathic
- 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
- LuAnn Ressler Entering Penn State Holy Spirit on 1/27 for Hip Replacement Surgery
- Lois Watson Continuing Her Recovery at Home

# 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

<sup>\*</sup>denotes someone who is a part of our extended congregational family