

~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA). Thank you to all who made a donation to support the work of the PDA in disaster areas caused by Hurricane Helene. A total of \$2,360 was received. Your generosity is a blessing to many.

TODAY, serving in worship:

Reader: Fred Seltzer
Greeters/Ushers: Bob Read; Matthias Rogg & Jutta Erb-Rogg
Fellowship Hosts: Parish Life Committee
Video Recorder: Joe Shane
Audio Recorder: Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, in our prayers:

* **in the presbytery:** Inter-denominational Partners –
The Congregation of Christ Lutheran Church; and Health Ministries
* **in the community:** Penn State Hershey Chaplaincy
* **in the congregation (at random):** Bill, Ann, Julia & Kip Gottlieb;
Jeff & Terry Shull

THIS WEEK, in the life of the church:

- **Monday, 2 PM:** Faith Circle, Fellowship Hall
- **Wednesday, 7 PM:** Choir rehearsal

IN THE COMING WEEK, our annual stewardship material will be mailed to the congregation.

NEXT SUNDAY.....24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.....NOV. 3rd
~ All Saints Sunday / Lord's Supper ~

- > **9:15 AM:** Prayer, sanctuary
- > **9:30 AM:** Sunday school; New Adult class (see below)
- > **10:45 AM:** Worship, with Communion;
Sermon, "Learn to Love in the Cloud;" Scripture, Mark 12:28-34
- > **After worship:** Fellowship Time
- > **Afternoon:** Home Communion served



NOVEMBER ADULT CLASS! Next Sunday, please join the Adult education class for a 4-week study titled, "Women in the Early Church: Neglected Stories." Women have been part of the story of Jesus from the very beginning. Mary, Mary Magdalene, the Syrophenician woman, Salome, Martha, and many others are integral to the story of Jesus told in the New Testament. But what about the early church? Women were also key leaders as the church began to grow and expand in the centuries after Jesus' resurrection. We will look at Phoebe, Paul's trusted co-worker; Prisca, a strategic leader and teacher in the early church; Junia, a courageous apostle; and Nympha, a representative of many lesser-known figures in the early church. (No book purchase is required.)



NEXT SUNDAY – Daylight Savings Time Ends. Before retiring Saturday night, set your clocks back one hour to arrive at church on time.



NEXT SUNDAY – All Saints Sunday. We will remember our loved ones and name those who have joined the Church Triumphant since All Saints Sunday 2023. You are invited to bring in a photo of your loved one and place it on a sanctuary windowsill.



~ About Today's Hymns ~

~ **"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Is"** first appeared in the French Psalter published in Strassburg (1545), under the leadership of John Calvin – the leading theologian of the early Reformed theological tradition. The tune TOULON is adapted from Genevan 124 in the Genevan Psalter (1551). It is a truncated form of the OLD 124th.

~ **"Healer of Our Every Ill"** was written and composed by Marty Haugen (b. 1950) – a prolific liturgical composer with many songs included in hymnals across the liturgical spectrum of North American hymnals and beyond. Many of his songs are translated into different languages.

~ **"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"** was written and composed by Martin Luther in 1529. It is based on Psalm 46 (p. 517, pew Bible). It became the rallying cry of the Protestant reformation. The tune is popular with other composers as well. Felix Mendelssohn used it in the *Reformation Symphony* (1830).
(Source: "The Presbyterian Hymnal Companion" by LindaJo H. McKim)



Members of the Congregation, Ministers
The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor
The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus
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October 27, 2024

10:45 a.m.

Twenty-Third Sunday
after Pentecost

~ Reformation Sunday ~

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Siciliana from *Sonata XII*
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Valeri
Johnson

(The Lord be with you. And also with you.)
~ GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Meditation

Schroeder

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

God has done great things for us;
therefore we rejoice in the Lord.

* HYMN #457 – “I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Is”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, we confess
that we have failed to seek your will.
You have shown us what is good,
but we remain enthralled by evil.
You have offered us abundance,
but we are satisfied with wealth.
Forgive us, God of grace.
By the power of your Word
cut away all that is false
and open our hearts to new life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

(*silent confession . . .*)

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE #579 – “Gloria Patri”

* PASSING THE PEACE

Just as God has forgiven us in Christ Jesus, let us also forgive
one another and offer signs of peace and reconciliation.

The peace of Christ be with you, **and also with you.**
(*Extend a word of peace with one another . . .*)

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Almighty God,
in you are hidden all treasures
of wisdom and knowledge.
Open our eyes that we may see
the wonders of your Word,
and give us grace that we may clearly understand
and freely choose the way of your wisdom. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 31:7-9 (O.T., p. 734)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

CHOIR ANTHEM “With Joy and Music” Butler

SECOND LESSON Mark 10:46-52 (N.T., p. 47)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SERMON Rev. Lorenz
“The Upside-Down Kingdom: Where the Blind Can See”

* HYMN #205 (G) – “Healer of Our Every Ill”

* THE APOSTLES’ CREED (Traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven
and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only 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 hell; 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**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER (p. 16, blue hymnal)

GIVING THANKS

OFFERING OURSELVES

Offertory *Minuetto* Hurlebusch

* RESPONSE #592 – “Praise God”

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Gracious and all-giving God,
may your Spirit of abundance,
which gives to us all more than
we could ask or imagine,
harness our life for your purposes
and bless the gifts we bring
for the building up of your kingdom
in your world. AMEN**

SENDING

* HYMN #260 – “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING RESPONSE #587 – “Amen”

* POSTLUDE *Trumpet Voluntary* Young

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* indicates please stand, if able

BOLD indicates ALL read

Children’s Worship Bulletins are available; an usher can assist you
(G) indicates use green songbook, “Sing! a new creation”



TODAY, after worship, you are invited to Fellowship Hall to enjoy
conversation and light refreshments.



WE BID ALL who have come to worship a warm welcome in the name
of Jesus Christ! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to
become part of this community of faith and learn about what it means
to follow Jesus Christ. Please join us for Sunday worship at **10:45 AM.**
Find more info at: www.firstprescarlisle.org.