

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA  
11:00 AM Morning Worship – May 26, 2013

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Paraphrase on “Life High the Cross” – Paul Manz

WELCOME - LIFE IN THE CHURCH Announcements & Concerns

TIME FOR GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name throughout the earth!

**People: You made your glory higher than heaven!**

L: From the mouths of nursing babies you have laid a strong foundation,

**P: because of your foes, in order to stop vengeful enemies.**

L: When we look up at your skies, at what your fingers made—the moon and stars that you set firmly in place--

**P: What are human beings that you think about them? What are human beings that you pay attention to them?**

L: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name throughout the earth.

\*HYMN No. 347 All Creatures of Our God and King

WE APPROACH GOD

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, that we dare confess anything at all to You before our brothers and sisters here in this church today is proof that we believe that You already know us as we are; that we believe that You are able to do something about it; and that we are willing to step from our worlds of pretense, fantasy, and illusion into a kind of “facing-up-to-things-as-they-are” where You can touch us, and forgive us, and love us, and accept us and make us new. This is hard, Lord, but here we are.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

\*DECLARATION OF PARDON

L: Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, we have obtained access to the grace of God.

**P: By our faith we are put right with God.**

L: Have peace with God for we will share in God’s glory. Sisters and Brothers, your sins are forgiven;.....be at peace.

\*GLORIA PATRI: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

\*AN AFFIRMATION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH  
Nicene Creed – p. 138 in the Blue Hymnbook

WE SHARE OUR LIFE AND GIFTS

ANTHEM A Tribute for Memorial Day –“America the Beautiful”  
Samuel Ward – presented by Dr. Otis Kitchen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER  
(Using Debts and Debtors)

\*PRAISE HYMNS – 75A – He’s Got the Whole World  
217 – How Majestic Is Your Name

FIRST LESSON Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 p 590

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Sheep May Safely Graze” from Cantata No. 208 – J. S. Bach

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Epistle Romans 5:1-5 p 155

Gospel: John 16:2-7, 12-15 p 110

SERMON

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

\*HYMN No. 323 Holy, Holy, Holy

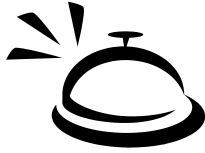
\*THE CHARGE AND THE BENEDICTION

\*ORGAN RESPONSE

POSTLUDE Toccata on “Come thou Almighty King”  
G. Young/O. Kitchen

\*Those who are able may stand

**ASK US/TELL US/GIVE US GOOD NEWS**



- **The church is getting closer to the sanctuary renovation. June 10 will see things getting started – there is a timeline list and some photos of the new lighting on the table in Fellowship Hall.**

**Our Treasurer is checking on the possibility of refinancing the loan for the new building through the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program. More information about this will follow.**

**“BROWN BAG FELLOWSHIP LUNCH”**

Join the Second Chances Volunteers at the “Brown Bag Fellowship Lunch!! They are putting out an invitation to anyone who wants to join them every Tuesday at 12:00 in Fellowship Hall. It’s a fun hour and a time to laugh and share with each other. Just bring your lunch and join us ----- This invitation is open to everyone – members and visitors!!!

**TAKE A LOOK AROUND – OUR LANDSCAPING LOOKS BEAUTIFUL -** If you are interested in becoming one of the caregivers of our property, see Fred Hoffman. He will have more information. Fred’s phone number is 367-6315. Take a walk around the church to see what has been accomplished by Fred and his crew.

**175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary --** Remember the box in Fellowship Hall for memories of our church so we can get ready for the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There are many books and records in the church and our Treasurer is preparing to preserve many of these. But you may have some memories of your own – please drop any of these in the box.

**The papers on the table in Fellowship Hall show the names that are on cemetery stones that were found when the new building was done. These have been in the basement and Dennis scratched them onto the papers – check it out – very interesting. Also some pictures of members need names to go with the pictures. If you know any of the people, please let us know.**

**Grocery Cards for Giant, Weis and Darrenkamps are available for purchase. The church earns 5% of all cards sold. See Deb Hoffman. In her absence, please see Barb O’Neal.**

**Welcome to all in the name of Jesus Christ.** We welcome our visitors and hope you will come back and visit with us again. There is information about our church at the back of each pew and Visitors’ cards for your use.

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**Flowers today are provided by Gerry and Buzz Bowman, in memory of our parents.**

**Ushers for May are Nancy Duquette and Sandy Homsher.  
Ushers for June are Jean Shelly and Janet Stirling.**

**Greeter for May is Jean Shelly.  
Greeter for June is Irene Becker.**

**Nursery for Today – Janet Stirling and Dee Neese.  
Nursery for June 2 – Deb Hoffman and Shirley Mark.**

**Counter for today is Barb O’Neal  
Counter for June 2 is Glenda Burross.**

**Sound Technicians are Tim Leggore and Owen Neese.**

**Church Opener for today is John Leggore.  
Church Opener for June 2 will be Barb O’Neal.**

**Church Closer for today is Barb O’Neal.  
Church Closer for June 2 will be Glenda Burross.**

**Flowers for May will be handled by Jeff Weber.  
Flowers for June will be handled by Nancy Duquette.**

**Strength for Today May 26 – June 1 – Dennis Bouchard  
Strength for Today June 2 – June 8 – Barb O’Neal**

**Strength for Today Are you interested in participating in the Strength for Today program?** It involves reading a brief message (no more than two minutes). It can be a devotional reading, “Our Daily Bread”, a favorite Scripture passage or even verses of a hymn. It can be done from the comfort of your own home using our remote telephone procedure. It is an inspiration to the people who call and to those who do the message. **Call Tim Nolt at 278-5423 or email him at [timnolt@gmail.com](mailto:timnolt@gmail.com).**

**Our Church has a very active “Prayer Chain.”** All prayer requests go to Janet Stirling (653-6395). If Janet can’t be reached then call Nancy Duquette (367-5073), Joyce Buckius (653-1066) or Jean Shelly (665-4880). The urgency of the request determines if a message can be left.

## CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Those of you who work with the children in our church signed a Child Protection Policy before you began. The policies have now changed and we are mandated to prepare and complete forms which comply to the new Child Protection Laws. Everyone in the church who works with children will have to do this. John Leggore is the coordinator ; please get in touch with him if you have not done this.

## WEBSITE

**Remember to check out our website and facebook.** The calendar is on the website also so you can keep up with church events. The website has next Sunday's bulletin posted so you can see what songs we are singing, the theme for the sermon and get an idea about what the worship service will be like. This is posted to the website the Thursday before.

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**Anyone who wants to arrange for flowers for the Sunday services can call Jeff Weber.** He will be glad to let you know what dates are open. The current price for flowers is \$40.00. His phone number is 361-9065.

**We extend our sympathy to Shirley Mark and all the members of the family of Bob Mark. Bob passed away on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. A Memorial Service was held Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> here at First Presbyterian Church with a reception following in Fellowship Hall. Bob was a long time member of the church and he will be missed by all of us.**

**Our sympathies also go out to Laura Weber and her family. Laura's mother, Ellen Kramer, died on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Please keep the family in your prayers.**

**The Deacons always need** big cans for flowers. Please give them to any Deacon or put them in the bathroom nearest the elevator. **We appreciate your help.**

**Moo Money - This is still a fundraiser for the Building Fund. The box for bottle caps is on the resource table in Fellowship Hall. We have collected another 500 and will be sending them in this week for another \$50. Campbell's Labels – this container is also on the table – help Sunset Gap.**

## LIBRARY NEWS

The focus for May and June is section C which contains Biographies (continued), Biblical Biographies, Famous Authors (continued), books dealing with Prayer, Hope and healing and Death and Dying. Also there are more Fiction books. Of course, you are not limited to only these books, but following this "reading marathon" will help you get to know all of our selections and where to find them! We are getting newer as well as brand new books on a regular basis these days! Please come and browse and borrow often. Check them out at our table and rack in the Gathering Place or upstairs in our Library and return them in a timely manner for others to read as well. **Thanks! Happy Reading!**

**LIBRARY BOOK REVIEW FOR MAY: HAND OF PROVIDENCE,**  
By Mary Beth Brown.

This biography in your church library shows the influence of another mother's faith on her young son.

Ronald Reagan's profound faith in God guided his life and helped him to prayerfully lead his country as its 40<sup>th</sup> president. The seed of faith was planted by his mother, and God provided His help all through the hills and valleys of President Reagan's life. The personal stories and writings inform and inspire the reader. There is a message here for all parents and for all who wonder about God's plan for us and His providence in our lives.

Ronald Reagan took the oath of office with his hand on his mother's Bible opened to 2 Chronicles 7:14.

## OUR THANKS TO ----

Our Guest Speaker today is Rev. Jane Busey. Jane has been attending our church and her husband Dave is a member. Jane has also been a member of our choir and she has given us the pleasure of several duets at Sunday morning services with Dave. Jane works with Presbytery and also is guest speaker at churches in the area. We welcome her today as our speaker and also as a friend.

Our Guest Organist today is Dr. Otis Kitchen. He was a professor for 30 years at Elizabethtown College. He is a graduate of Bridgewater College in Virginia and Northwestern University. We welcome him and thank him for his ministry of music with us today.