

September 27, 2015

Service of Worship

10:30 A.M.

Staple Foods/Hunger Offerings

We welcome all who are present today to praise our loving God.

PRELUDE

STRIKING THE HOUR

GREETING

PW HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTATION

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

OPENING MUSIC

“I Will Enter His Gates”

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 19

L: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.

P: The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

L: The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart.

P: The commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes.

L: The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.

P: The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

L: Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.

***HYMN**

“Stand Up and Bless the Lord”

CH 65

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All wise and understanding God, hear our prayer as we confess our sin. Have mercy upon us, for we are deceitful and foolish. Ambition controls our relations with others; cheating and lying help us gain more control. We are surrounded by values that bring disorder. We are victims of selfishness that distorts your truth. Save us from boasting and serving unworthy ends; save us for Christ, in whom alone abides peace. Amen.

***SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Jesus gave the most extravagant gift of all – the offering of himself for us. Through this selfless gift, we are set free, and our sins are forgiven

P: Thanks be to God!

*Congregation please stand, if able

CH – *The Celebration Hymnal*; **PH** – *The Presbyterian Hymnal*

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

“Seek Ye First”

“Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, And all these things shall be added unto you – Allelu, Alleluia!”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles’ Creed

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.

NT LESSON: Colossians 1:15-20

Pew Bible pp. 1026

OFFERING

Offertory

*Doxology

PH 592

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN

“When We all Get to Heaven”

CH 772

SHARING IN PRAYER

Personal Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM

“How Beautiful Heaven Must Be”

Chancel Choir

NT LESSON: Romans 8:18-25

Pew Bible p. 983

SERMON

“The New Earth & the Present Heaven”

Rev. Smith

*HYMN

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

CH 552

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“Sanctuary”

CH 655

w/congregation

THIS WEEK AT SECOND CHURCH

Sunday, September 27

- 9:00 AM Sunday Bible Study – Lucille Sanger Classroom
10:00 AM Chancel Choir rehearsal – Choir Room
10:30 AM Worship

Lay Reader: Mary Rainey

Greeters & Ushers: Jim Mader (*Head Usher*), Debbie Sedr, Maxine Robertson, & Kay Mader

Flower Coordinator: Darlene Mason

Tuesday, September 29

- 11:00 AM Bible Study – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 30

- 7:00 PM Session Meeting

Thursday, October 1

- 5:45 PM JuBELLation – Bell Choir Room
6:45 PM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
6:00 PM Bible Study – Evan's home

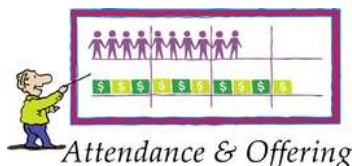
Next Sunday, October 4

- 9:00 AM Sunday Bible Study – Lucille Sanger Classroom
10:00 AM Adult Choir rehearsal – Choir Room
10:30 AM Worship

Lay Reader: one needed

Greeters & Ushers: Jim Wright (*Head Usher*), Brenda Wright, Beth Ramsey & one needed

Flower Coordinator: Kathy Holsinger



Attendance last Sunday: 75
Offering last Sunday: \$1,425.00
Total Regular Deposit: \$1,594.76

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The October sign-up sheet for Lay Readers & Ushers is on the back table. Thanks so much for your help.



Flower Coordinator

Flower Coordinators are needed for the months of November – December. The sign-up sheet is on the closet door by the mail boxes.

Communion October 4th

1. Frank Brown
2. Larry Brown
3. Andy Easley
4. Sue Gochenour
5. James Mader
6. Mark Robertson

Preparation – Frank Brown
James Mader



Soup and
Sandwich
Lunch



The annual Mission Committee World Food Day Soup and Sandwich Lunch will be held on Sunday, October 18th right after church. We provide the soup – you bring sandwiches and dessert. Please come and support our efforts to fight hunger.

As an aid to people who have trouble reading the regular sized type on the Sunday worship bulletin, a large print version is available. Simply request one from any usher.

Our Staunton Crop Walk will be held on Sunday, October 11th. Walkers will meet at 2:30 p.m. in the Central United Methodist parking lot. If you would like to contribute you may leave your donation in the office.



Crop Walks (they are community-based and interfaith) help fight hunger and poverty locally and globally, with 25% of what a CROP Hunger Walk raises, assisting local food banks, pantries, community gardens, and other hunger-fighting initiatives. The Staunton Crop Walk will contribute their 25% to SACRA.

Someone Who Cares

It's easy to become discouraged when we pause to consider the needs all around us. So many worthy causes and pressing concerns require action. What can one person with limited resources accomplish?

Theodor Geisel (a.k.a. Dr. Seuss) said: "Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

We're most effective and fulfilled when we put our God-given talents and resources into areas he has uniquely shaped our hearts to be passionate for. Passion is the key. If you want to make a difference, find something you care a "whole awful lot" about and then dive in.

This Day Is a Gift

This beautiful day is a gift of love
That's given to us from God above.
With twenty-four hours of time to use
In ways God is hoping we'll wisely choose.
So why not ask God for both guidance and grace?
Let God set the standards as well as the pace.
Then when the day's over, we'll find we've been blessed
With all that we needed in choosing what's best!

- *The Newsletter Newsletter*

PRAYER CONCERNS

- Health Concerns: Richard Beard; Harry Johns, Jr.; Michael Brown; Mary McNamara; Mac Moyer.
- Church concerns:
 - Our members in care facilities: Doris Miller (Stuarts Draft Retirement Home); Virginia Brand (Shenandoah); Jane Roby (Ritenour); Betty Ramsey (Avante).
- Peace around the world where conflict abounds.
- Celebrating a birthday: D.W. Sensabaugh (28); Lincoln Christopher Nuckols (28); Scott Dice (29); Heather Snyder Kimble (Oct. 1).
- Celebrating an anniversary: None
- Persons connected to Second Church in the military:
 - Jon Clark – Army – (grandson of Anita and Bill Haessly)
 - Nick Dubyk – Army: Belgium (grandson of Betty/Willis Clemmer)
 - Kevin Goodrow , Army MP, Fort Stewart, GA – (grandson of Ken and Lois Sensabaugh)
 - Patrick W. Brown – Air Force – (grandson of (the late) Marie Wiseman)
 - Christopher Todd – USAF – (grandson of (the late) Ruth Weller and Ralph Weller)



Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

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