

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA
10 AM Morning Worship – August 21, 2016

PRELUDE

WELCOME - LIFE IN THE CHURCH
Announcements & Concerns

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us delight in God's gift of Sabbath;

People: let us honor the day of the Lord.

Leader: We delight in the God who sets us free;

People: we honor the Lord by doing justice.

Leader: Let us worship God.

***Song of Praise to God** **I Surrender All**
#408 Blue Hymnal

Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin. We dismiss the prophets you send and ignore your call to service. We waste your gift of Sabbath and reject your offer of healing. Forgive us, God of grace. Let us approach you again with reverence and with awe, giving thanks for your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Time for silent prayer ...

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation! Take heart and be at peace!

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

***GLORIA PATRI** #142 Blue Hymnal

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** # 382 Blue Hymnal

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*** Song to Glorify God** **To God be the Glory**
#363 Blue Hymnal

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE LESSON **James 1:17 Pg. 229**
Hebrews 13:8 Pg. 228

SERMON **Surrounded!** **Rev. Donald Rising**

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

***Song of Response** **God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again**
#523 Blue Hymnal

*THE CHARGE AND THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

***standing in mind, body or in spirit**

MISSION: "The energy of the Holy Spirit equips us to reach out joyfully in Jesus' name to meet human needs in the community and in the world."
VISION: "We will nurture people physically and spiritually, showing them the transforming love and grace of Jesus Christ."

Minister: Rev. Sarah A. Kneier
Director of Music: Becky Caplan
Organist Emeritus: Mary Ann Ober
Secretary: Barbara O'Neal
Treasurer: Deborah Hoffman

Elders:
Tim Nolt: Membership/Mission
Dennis Bouchard: Property
Joy Bouchard: Christian Education
Deborah Hoffman: Treasurer/Finance & Stewardship
Meagan Nolt: Clerk of Session/ Youth & Young Adults
Jean Shelly: Worship and Music
Barbara O'Neal: Fellowship/Outreach

Deacons:
Jeff Weber: Moderator, Ushers & Greeters
Laura Weber: Treasurer, Flowers
Janet Stirling: Prayer Chain, Transportation
Kari Nolt: Visits & Calls, Greeting Cards
Dee Albert: Secretary, Audio Ministry, Coffee Hour
April Leggore: Nursery, Food Bank

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The First Presbyterian Church of Mount Joy was organized on December first, 1839 but began holding services in the Mount Joy vicinity as early as 1746. This church is a thoroughly evangelical church in the historic sense of that word and our basic purposes are to bring people to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, to build them in the Christian faith and life, and to enlarge missionary participation to the extent that all may come to hear of and believe in Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior. Friend and stranger, to such a church as this you are welcome.

NEWS OF THE WEEK ASK US/TELL US/GIVE US GOOD NEWS August 14, 2016

FLOWERS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE

The rose on the Communion Table is in honor of our new baby, Willem Eoin Kneier who was born on August 9, 2016. Willem is the son of David and Pastor Sarah Kneier and brother of Ansel Kneier. Congratulations to the family and welcome baby Willem!

The additional flower on the Communion Table is given by Rev. Gail Mason to the Glory of God and in loving honor of Jay Harvey Mason, born August 9, 2016. He underwent open heart surgery and will need a 2-4 week recovery period in the Washington DC hospital. Jay is Gail's great-nephew.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, please call Janet Stirling at 653-6395.

The deacons will be updating the Prayer Chain at their September meeting. If you have any changes or would like to be added to the Prayer Chain, please contact Janet Stirling at the above number or email Jeff Weber at jrweber22@gmail.com or leave a message at 361-9065.

GROCERY CARDS

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

“Is There Life After 50?”

Check out the table in Fellowship Hall for information about the play at Rainbow Comedy Playhouse on September 24th. The price is \$52 a ticket. Checks can be made out to First Presbyterian Church. See Barb O’Neal if you have questions. We need to know how many are going by August 28th.

SECOND CHANCES

Time to change from Spring/Summer to Fall/Winter

Fourth Friday this month (August 26th) we will have all clothing in the store on sale at 70% off. The sale will also continue through Saturday the 27th. On Saturday we’ll be cleaning off the racks in the store and will need help moving the bags. Anyone who can help, see Deb.

LUNCH BUNCH

Join the Second Chances Volunteers at the “Brown Bag Fellowship Lunch!” This is an open invitation to anyone who wants to join them every Tuesday at 12:00 in Fellowship Hall.

FLOWERS

To provide flowers for the pulpit on a Sunday, contact Laura Weber (361-9065 or jrweber22@gmail.com) for available dates. \$40 is the current price for the pair of bouquets that decorate the pulpit and which the Deacons distribute to shut-ins if requested by the sponsor.

If you are in the church alone, please do not use the elevator.

CALENDAR

AA meets every Wednesday at 8:00 pm in the Thrift Store.

Worship begins at 10:00 am (11:00 am on September 11)

August 21 – Rev. Donald Rising

**August 21 – Nominating Committee meeting
Heritage Room after worship service**

August 28 – Rev. Dr. Erin Cox-Holmes

September 4 – 25 – Rev. Donald Rising

September 6 – Deacons meet – 7:00 pm

September 11 – Adult Sunday School – 9:45 am

September 11 – Worship begins at 11:00 am

September 11 – Girl Scouts – 6:30 – 8:30 pm

September 14, 21, 28 – Choir Practice 7:00 pm

September 18 – Session meets – 12:30 pm

September 21 – Neighbors Connect – 12:00 pm

September 25 – First Coffee Hour! – 12 pm

Hosts – Sandy Homsher and Marilyn Pomroy

**Cookies – Joyce Buckius, Lonnie Nolt and
Nancy Duquette**

SHARING OUR TALENTS

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.

Flowers are provided by: Rev. Gail E. Mason
To the Glory of God

Ushers for August – Darlene and Robert Henly
Ushers for September – Fred Hoffman and Millard Sherk

Nursery – August 21 – Nancy Duquette and Barb O'Neal
Nursery – August 28 – Joy Bouchard and Dennis Bouchard

Counter for August 21 – Dennis Bouchard
Counter for August 28 – Laura Weber

Church Opener – Barb O'Neal
Church Closer for Today – Property Committee

Flowers for August – Jeff Weber
Flowers for September – April Leggore

Strength for Today – August 22 – August 28 – Dee Albert
Strength for Today – August 29 – September 4 – Kari Nolt

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. **Call Tim Nolt at 278-5423 or email him at timnolt@gmail.com.** Each person is responsible for one week of messages beginning on Monday and ending on Sunday. The week starts with Monday's message and ends with Sunday's message. Messages can be recorded the night before, i.e. Monday's message can be recorded Sunday night.