FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA

OFFERTORY

11 AM Morning Worship- -April 23, 2017-- Second Sunday of

Easter

*DOXOLOGY # 382 Blue Hymnal

Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* Song to Glorify God

Low in the Grave

#298 Blue Hymnal

PRELUDE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WELCOME - LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Announcements & Concerns

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 20:19-31 – Pg. 115

I Know He Lives?

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Song of Praise to God

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Alleluia

#136 Renew Hymnal

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

*Song of Response I Know That My Redeemer Lives

#295 Blue Hymnal

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*THE CHARGE AND THE BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

POSTLUDE

SERMON

*standing in mind, body or in spirit

*GLORIA PATRI

#142 Blue Hymnal

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:
Organist Emeritus
Administrative Assistant
Treasurer:
Heather Ruoss
Mary Ann Ober
Barbara O'Neal
Deborah Hoffman

Elders:

Tim Nolt Membership/Mission
Dennis Bouchard Music and Worship

Joy Bouchard Christian Education and Nurture Deborah Hoffman Treasurer/Finance & Stewardship+

Meagan Nolt Membership/Mission

Tom Paul Property

Barbara O'Neal Clerk of Session/Fellowship

Deacons:

Nancy Duquette Moderator, Ushers, Transportation

Laura Weber Treasurer, Flowers

Janet Stirling Prayer Chain, Visits and Calls

Kari Nolt Secretary, Nursery

April Leggore Food Bank, Audio Ministry Karen Paul Coffee Hour, Greeting Cards

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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 April 23, 2017

FROM OUR TRAVELING SINGERS DAVE AND JANE BUSEY

On Sunday (today) there is a free concert on the Franklin and Marshall College campus. The first half will be a wonderful new composition called Requiem for the Living by Dan Forrest. It uses texts from the Bible and from sections of the traditional requiem mass. After the intermission, the singers will perform short works by Thomas Morley, Richard Waters, Warren Martin, K. Lee Scott, Bwen Hall, Franz Biebl, William Dawson, and Stephen Chatman. The concert begins at 3:00 PM in Barshinger Hall. That's on College Avenue about one block south of Harrisburg Pike.

On May 7, a Welsh Cymanfa Ganu will be held at the Rehoboth Welsh Chapel in Delta Pennsylvania. That's in York County on the Maryland border, only a little way west of the Susquehanna River. The church is on Atom Road (so named for the nuclear power plant a short distance away). A Cymanfa Ganu is a Welsh hymn sing with an official conductor. This year our leader is Betty Cullingworth, who now lives in Canada, but was born and raised in Wales. You will enjoy her pleasant and distinctive accent. The main program feature is hymn singing by all the people gathered. This part isn't a performance. You'll recognize some of the hymn tunes and some of the texts of verses sung in English. The conductor also alternates with verses sung in Welsh (but you will be encouraged to hum the melody or sing along with La-la-la if the language challenge is too great). Between hymn singing sections there are several performance pieces sung and played. One of these interludes this year features tenor William Clark. Another performance set is by the Cor Cymraeg Rehoboth, of which Jane and Dave are members. (And yes, we do sing a lot of Welsh language songs in that choir!) A little Welsh Tea is enjoyed by everyone after the end of the Cymanfa. It begins at 3:00 PM.

Dave and Jane have printed directions to help you find the Welsh Chapel. See them after today's service or during the fellowship hour. A lot of information about the Chapel can be found at Rehoboth Welsh Church, Delta, PA USA

FLOWERS

To provide flowers for the pulpit on a Sunday, contact Laura Weber at 367-9065 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.

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Anyone who works with children in our church must complete forms to comply with Child Protection Laws. Due to recent changes in state laws, not session edicts, clearances are needed for anyone who is going to work with children in the church. Since we now have 4 little ones who will need care in church, we need all the help we can get. Please see an Elder or Deacon if you have any questions or need paperwork.

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.

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.

PRAYER CHAIN

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

CALENDAR

AA meets every Wednesday at 8:00 in the Thrift Store Girl Scouts – 6:30 – 8:30 pm – Sundays Choir Practice – Wednesday nights – 7:00 pm Adult Bible Study – Sundays – 9:45 – 10:30 am

Today - Coffee Hour

Hosts - Deb Hoffman and Nancy Duquette Cookies - Tom and Karen Paul, April Leggore. Dee Albert

April 30 – Baptism of Stephen Obeng

May 4 – National Day of Prayer-6:30 – 8:00 am at
The Gathering Place, 6 Pine St in Mount Joy.
Tickets are \$5 -- See Nancy Duquette for tickets or
Information

May 7 - Deacons meeting - 12:00 pm Session meeting - 12:30 pm

Welsh concert at Rehobeth Welsh Chapen, Delta, PA

May 14 – Mother's Day

May 17 – Last Neighbors Connect and Family Dinner until September – Norma Millard – Healthy Lifestyles

May 20 – "Second Chances" - at Dutch Apple

May 27 – Memorial Day Parade – Narthex will be open for Parade visitors to use restrooms and water.

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: Tim and Meagan Nolt

In honor of Kari Nolt on her birthday

Ushers for April – Deb Hoffman and Barb O'Neal Ushers for May – Tom Paul and Karen Paul

Nursery – April 23 – Joy Bouchard and Kari Nolt Nursery – April 30 – Nancy Duquette and Lonnie Nolt

Counter for April 23 – John Leggore Counter for April 30 – Tom Paul

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

Flowers for April – Nancy Duquette Flowers for May – Karen Paul

Greeter and Bulletin Mailer - Irene Becker

Strength for Today – April 24 – April 30 – Dennis Bouchard **Strength for Today** – May 1 – May 7 – Jeff Weber

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.