

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA  
11 AM Morning Worship- -January 7, 2018  
Baptism of the Lord**

**Today we give thanks for our church leaders!**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME - LIFE IN THE CHURCH** Announcements & Concerns

**CALL TO WORSHIP** from Psalm 29

**Leader:** Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,

**People:** Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**Leader:** Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

**People:** Worship the Lord in the splendor of the Lord's holiness

**\*Song of Praise to God** Come, Holy Spirit #559 Blue Hymnal

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** in Unison

**Lord, we thank you for the opportunity of another day. Despite the chill of winter, we have the warmth of community and Christian love that draws us in to you. We pray that you would make yourself known to us here in worship, that we would be strengthened for the challenges ahead. Please take from us anything that is not worthy and becoming of you. We would ask that you now hear our silent prayers of confession.**

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**Who do we have to answer for our actions? Only God, and God went to the cross for us. In this is our forgiveness and hope. Amen.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI** #142 Blue Hymnal

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** Acts 19:1-7

**SERMON** We Didn't Know

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed  
(See pew cards for words.)

**\* Song to Glorify God** Here I Am, Lord  
#149 Renew Hymnal

**RECOGNITION OF OUR LEADERS CLASS OF 2017**

**Ruling Elders:** Barb O'Neal and Tim Nolt

**Deacons:** Janet Stirling and Laura Weber

**INSTALLATION CLASS OF 2020 RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS**

**Deacons - Class of 2020:** Dianna Albert and Lonnie Nolt

**Elders - Class of 2020 -** Sandra Homsher and Marilyn Pomroy

**WELCOME AND CHARGE TO OUR NEW LEADERS**

**Leader:** The peace of Christ be with you!

**People:** And also with you!

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY** # 382 Blue Hymnal

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

## COMMUNION

**Invitation and Prayer Before Communion**  
**(Lord's Prayer using debts and debtors)**

**The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup**  
**Prayer After Communion**

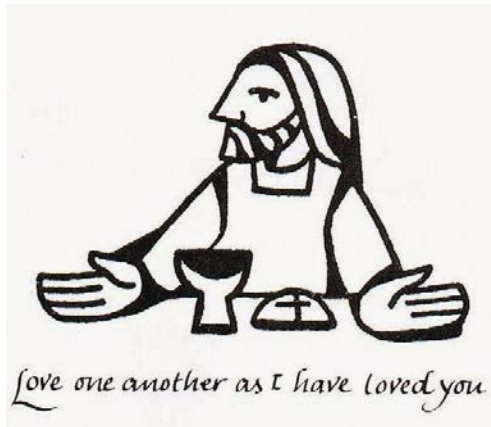
**\*Song of Response**

**Spirit Song**  
**#248 Renew 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.”

<b>Minister:</b>	Rev. Sarah A. Kneier
<b>Director of Music:</b>	Rebecca Lauver
<b>Organist Emeritus</b>	Mary Ann Ober
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Barbara O’Neal
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Deborah Hoffman
<b>Elders:</b>	
<b>Tim Nolt</b>	Membership/Mission
<b>Dennis Bouchard</b>	Music and Worship
<b>Joy Bouchard</b>	Christian Education and Nurture
<b>Deborah Hoffman</b>	Treasurer/Finance & Stewardship
<b>Meagan Nolt</b>	Membership/Mission
<b>Tom Paul</b>	Property
<b>Barbara O’Neal</b>	Clerk of Session/Fellowship
<b>Deacons:</b>	
<b>Nancy Duquette</b>	Moderator, Ushers, Transportation
<b>Laura Weber</b>	Treasurer, Flowers
<b>Janet Stirling</b>	Prayer Chain, Visits and Calls
<b>Kari Nolt</b>	Secretary, Nursery
<b>April Leggore</b>	Food Bank, Audio Ministry
<b>Karen Paul</b>	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**  
January 7, 2018

**OUR CONDOLENCES** go out to the family of Warren (Pete) Foley who died the morning of December 31, 2017. He will be remembered by everyone for his time here at First Presbyterian. His two daughters, Laura Lee and Emmy, and his entire family are in our prayers. No arrangements have yet been made for services.

#### FROM THE PASTOR

Interested in finding out more about Christianity? Presbyterians? Joining the church? Call the church office or contact Pastor Sarah to inquire about a Seekers’ Class so we could schedule a time that would work for everyone.

#### FURNITURE BANK NEEDS

The Furniture Bank is in need of mattresses and box springs of all sizes except King, sheet sets, dressers, small tables and chairs, little end tables, beds queen, small appliances, pots and pans. They do not need couches or dining room tables.

**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 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.

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

#### 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.

**NEW ADDRESSES**

*Katie (Catherine) Becker  
98 Athol St.  
Buffalo, NY 14220  
716-413-2391*

*Catherinebecker396@rocketmail.com*

*Jonathen and Angela Leggore  
8236 Elizabethtown Rd  
Elizabethtown PA 17022-8469*

*Mary Ann Ober  
450 67<sup>th</sup> Street West  
Apt 126  
Bradenton FL 34209*

*(The correct zip code for Mary Ann is 34209)*

*Bev Zink  
Elizabethtown Nursing and Rehab Center  
155 Broad Street,  
Room 109 Window  
Elizabethtown PA 17022*

**PRAYER CHAIN (Phone chain) -- If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, please call Janet Stirling at 717-653-6395.**

**PRAYER LIST (Back of Bulletin) -- If you wish to have someone placed on the prayer list (back of bulletin), please contact NancyDuquette at 717-742-8058**

**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**

**FLOWERS**

To provide flowers for the pulpit on a Sunday, contact Laura Weber at 367-9065 or [jrweber22@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**CALENDAR**

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

**Adult Sunday School – 9:45 to 10:30 in Fellowship Hall**

**Girl Scouts – 6:30 – 8:30 pm – Sundays**

**January 7 – Deacons meeting at 12:00 pm**

**January 7 – Communion**

**Installation of Officers**

**January 14 – Session meeting – 12:30 pm**

**Reports for Annual Congregational Meeting Due**

**January 17 – Neighbors Connect – 12:00 pm**

**Family dinner – 5:30 – 6:30 pm**

**January 21 – Pot Luck Lunch – 12:00 pm**

**Annual Congregationl Meeting – 1:00 pm**

**January 28 – Joint Session and Deacons Meeting – 12:00 pm**

**SHARING OUR TALENTS**  
**Sunday – January 7, 2018**

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: Margaret Godshall  
To the Glory of God

Ushers for January – Marilyn Pomroy and Joy Bouchard

Nursery for January 7 – Kari Nolt and Lonnie Nolt

Counters for January 7 – Dennis Bouchard and Deb Hoffman  
Counters for January 14 – Meagan Nolt and Barb O'Neal

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

Flowers for January – Kari Nolt

Greeter and Bulletin Mailer – Irene Becker

Strength for the Day – January – Barb O'Neal

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