FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA

10 AM Morning Worship – August 18, 2019 10th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

WELCOME Announcements & Concerns

The Rev. Sarah Kneier

CALL TO WORSHIP Jer. 23:29

Leader: The word of the Lord is like fire, People: like a hammer that smashes a stone.

GATHERING PRAYER

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Song of Praise to God How Firm A Foundation

#32 Blue Hymnal

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: All of us, like sheep, have gone astray, but now we have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls. (1 Peter 2:25) In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you!

GLORIA PATRI #142 Blue Hymnal

CHILDRENS SERMON

*Song to Glorify God Near the Cross

#254 Blue Hymnal

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Hebrews 12:1-3 – Pg. 226

SERMON Not Growing Weary or Losing Heart

The Rev. Sarah A. Kneier

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles Creed

(words can be found printed on the laminated pew cards)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY # 382 Blue Hymnal

*Song of Response God of Grace and God of Glory

#528 Blue Hymnal

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: Rebecca Lauver Organist Emeritus: MaryAnn Ober

Administrative Assistant: Barbara O'Neal

Treasurer: Deborah Hoffman

Elders

Barbara O'Neal/Marilyn Pomroy -- Music and Worship

Joy Bouchard -- Christian Education & Nurture Marilyn Pomroy -- Stewardship & Finance Meagan Nolt - Membership & Mission

Tom Paul - Property

Sandy Homsher - Fellowship

Barbara O'Neal -- Clerk of Session

Deacons

Nancy Duquette -- Moderator, Ushers, Prayer

Lonnie Nolt -- Flowers, Food Bank

Dee Albert – Transportation

Kari Nolt -- Secretary, Nursery

Laura Weber -- Treasurer, Contacts

Karen Paul -- Cards, Coffee Hour

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The First Presbyterian Church of Mount Joy was organized on December 1, 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 25, 2019

SEE THE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR NEW NURSERY HELPERS ON THE BACK OF "SHARING OUR TALENTS"

OUR SYMPATHIES and PRAYERS GO OUT TO

Jonathen and Angela (Sharp) Leggore on the death of their daughter, Dianna Ruby Leggore. A memorial service was held at Buch Funeral Home on August 10, 2019.

Renie and Ed Becker in the death of Renie's sister, Peggy Risbon, who passed away on July 12, 2019, after a lengthy illness. A memorial service was held at Sheetz Funeral Home in Mount Joy on July 18th at 11:00 am. To send an online condolence, please visit www.sheetzfuneralhome.com

A WORD OF THANKS from Gerry Bowman: Gerry wishes to express her thanks for all of the notes and kindness she received at the death of her husband, "Buzz" Bowman. Gerry reports that she is blessed with many friends and a great family.

Buzz died on July 10th and a memorial service was held at Pleasant View Community on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 11 AM.

CONTACT THE PASTOR

Email: sarahpfmj@gmail.com Please be wary of emails asking for information or favors. Check the email address of origin. If it is not the above address, it is a scam. Phone: 717.653.4636 (non-emergencies only) In case of urgent matters or emergencies, use mobile phone number in directory.

Office Hours: By appointment.

FOOD BANK REQUEST - See list at Food Bank Collection Basket in Fellowship Hall

"News from Session:

Our roof is in need of repair and a contractor will soon begin the process of repairing and replacing slate roof tiles. This repair is expected to stop water from coming in and causing damage to our sanctuary ceiling. It will also lengthen the lifespan of our roof so we have time to prepare for a more costly total roof replacement. Session is requesting that we consider donating to the roofing fund with the hopes of covering the cost of the current roof repair that will soon take place. The total cost of the roof repair is expected to not exceed \$5500. Any surplus in this fund would be used towards the cost of a more extensive complete roof replacement to take place down the road in maybe 10 years or so. Thank you for considering donating to this important project!" (Please write "Roof Repair" on your donations).

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

We fill and send out the shoeboxes for Samaritan's purse in November but now is the time to buy school supplies while all the stores have sales. There is a box marked for this purpose in Fellowship Hall. Thanks from Joy and Gail. They will also be buying items if you want to donate instead. Mark the check "First Presbyterian Church-Shoebox"

FURNITURE BANK REQUEST --The furniture bank is in need of the following: Microwaves, Pots and pans, Crock pots, Toasters, Blenders, Mixers, Fans, Air conditioners, Twin box springs with mattresses, and Dressers. Please call to arrange for your donations. Thank you from Barbara Batzer, Faith Homes of Donegal! (List is posted in Fellowship Hall). The furniture Bank is also looking for volunteers to help in the building and to move furniture. To contact the Furniture Bank, pleasecall Pat Paules at 717-653-4607.

FLOWERS – The flowers on the altar and still being supplied by the deacons but if anyone wants to dedicate them to someone, please contact Lonnie Nolt at 717-278-5475. Flowers are \$40 for two bouquets.

PARISH RESOURCE CENTER SEE THE INFORMATION ABOUT EVENTS, CONCERTS, AND WORKSHOPS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

CHURCH CALENDAR

AA meets every Wednesday at 8:00 in the Thrift Store Bible Study – Sunday at 9:45 am in Fellowship Hall beginning September 8th Girl Scouts – 6:30 – 8:30 m – Third Sunday of each month Faith Homes of Donegal – 6:30 - First Monday of each month

August 31 – Second Chances volunteers will clear summer clothes off racks – help needed at 3:00 to fill bags for Hands across the Street in Columbia.

September 1 – Singspiration – Hymn Sing at Old Leacock Church Corner of Old Philadelphia Pike and Old Leacock Road 7:00 pm

September 2 – Labor Day

September 3 – Second Chances volunteers will be filling racks with fall and winter clothes.

September 8 – Bible Study – 9:45 am

September 8 – Worship begins at 11:00 am

September 8 – Deacons meet at 12:00 pm

September 8 – Session meets at 12:30 pm

September 25 – Coffee Hour

Second Chances will be closed the first Tuesday of each month except September 3rd.

SHARING OUR TALENTS Sunday – August 11, 2019

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: Deacons

Ushers for August – Joy Bouchard and Irene Becker **Ushers for September** – Jeff and Laura Weber

Nursery for August 18 – Kari Nolt and Nancy Duquette Nursery for August 25 – Jeff and Laura Weber

Counters for August 18 – Nancy Duquette and Barb O'Neal **Counters for August 25** – Barb O'Neal and Deb Hoffman

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

Flowers - Deacons

Greeter and Bulletin Mailer – Irene Becker **Bulletin Preparation** – Ed Becker and Irene Becker

