

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA  
11 AM Morning Worship – September 22, 2019  
15th Sunday After Pentecost**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**Announcements & Concerns  
The Rev. Sarah Kneier**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Psalm 113:7*

**Leader:** The Lord raises the poor from the dust

**People:** And lifts up the needy from the ashes.

**All:** God our Savior desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind: Christ Jesus.

(from *1 Tim 2:1-6*)

**GATHERING PRAYER**

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly cares, but to love that which is above, and even now, while we live among transient things, to hold fast to those things that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

**\*Song of Praise to God**

**Lord, Be Glorified  
#172 Renew 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**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**\*Song to Glorify God**

**As the Deer Pants for the Water  
#9 Renew Hymnal**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Luke 16:1-13 – Pg. 79**

**SERMON**

**Use What You've Got  
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**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*Song of Response**

**O Love That Will Not Let Me Go  
#404 Blue Hymnal**

**\* Blessing and Sending**

**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**  
September 22, 2019

**ATTENTION ALL ACTIVE RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS,  
AND RESTING RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS**

You are invited to attend a continuing education and church planning meeting on Sunday, October 6, 2019 after worship. We will bring our lunches and fellowship together. We will engage some new materials and updates to our constitution: the Book of Confessions and the Book of Order. We will also do some future planning. Afterwards, currently serving elders and deacons will meet separately to conduct each group’s regular business. Please RSVP to Pastor Sarah so we can prepare enough materials, thanks. Come and join us!

**DAILY BREAD**

The Daily Bread booklets are at the back of the church on the Ushers’ tables and in Fellowship Hall. There is no charge for the booklet but we place a donation box is at each of these places. Our treasurer collects the donations and sends a check to the Daily Bread organization every few months.

**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).

## BOOK OF ORDER

New editions of the Book of Order and the Book of Confessions are available to order. Deb will take the orders and money. They are \$9.00 each. Make the checks out to First Presbyterian Church. There is also a PDF version to download for free. Just email the office or Pastor Sarah for the link. Information is on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

## CONTACT THE PASTOR

Email: [sarahpfmj@gmail.com](mailto: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 the directory. Office Hours: By appointment.

## 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 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. To send an online condolence, please visit [www.sheetzfuneralhome.com](http://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.

## CHANGE IN DIRECTORY

Dennis and Joy Bouchard  
1967 Gunstocok Dr.  
Stone Mountain, GA 30087

## FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY SERVICE

If you are interested in dedicating flowers for Sunday services, please contact Lonnie Nolt at 717-278-5475. The flowers are \$40 for two bouquets and can be distributed as you wish.

**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"

**MOUNT JOY FOOD BANK –** There is a basket in Fellowship Hall for donations of Food and paper products. The Food Bank not only asks for food but also things like soap, toilet paper, paper towels, etc.

**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. To contact the Furniture Bank, please call Pat Paules at 717-653-4607.

## CHURCH CALENDAR

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

Choir – Every Wednesday at 5:30 pm and Sunday at 10:30 am

Bible Study – Sunday at 9:45 am in Fellowship Hall

Girl Scouts – 6:30 – 8:30 m – Third Sunday of each month

Faith Homes of Donegal – 6:30 – Usually the First Monday of each month

September 22 – Coffee Hour

October 6 – Education and Planning Meeting-Deacons and Elders  
October 6 – Deacons and Session meet after planning session

October 27 – Congregational Meeting

October 27 – Coffee Hour

**SHARING OUR TALENTS**  
**Sunday – September 22, 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:** Darlene Henly  
To the Glory of God

**Ushers for September** – Jeff and Laura Weber  
**Ushers for October** – Deb Hoffman and Nancy Duquette

**Nursery for September 15** – Deacons  
Kylie and Kayla Bowman

**Counters for September 22** – Marilyn Pomroy and Barb O'Neal  
**Counters for September 29** – Laura Weber and Deb Hoffman

**Church Opener– September 22** – Barb O'Neal

**Church Closer** – Property Committee

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