

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MOUNT JOY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**10:00 AM Morning Worship – July 13, 2014 - 5th Sunday After Pentecost -
Celebration of Covenant Pastoral Relationship**

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE “He Shall Feed His Flock” – from the oratorio “Messiah”
George F. Handel

WELCOME - LIFE IN THE CHURCH Announcements & Concerns
PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP (Ps.47:1-2, Ps. 92:1)

Leader: Let us worship God. Clap your hands all you peoples;

People: Shout to God with loud songs of joy.

L: For the most high is awesome,

P: a great sovereign over all the earth

L: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

P: To sing praises to your name, O Most High.

***HYMN** Revelation Song Alicia Weber

WE APPROACH GOD

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (in unison)

Almighty God, by water and your Holy Spirit you baptized us to be your own and called the church into being. We confess that we hold back the love of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our lives by the power of your Holy Spirit and make strong our common witness to the one Lord, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** (in unison) Eph. 2:4, 5a, 6a, 8

God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which God loved us, even when we were dead through our sin, made us alive together with Christ and raised us up with him. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Special Music Alicia Weber

***Hymn** To God Be the Glory (1872) #363 Blue Hymnal

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 31:27-34 Pg. 735

New Testament Reading John 2:1-11 Pg. 93

SERMON Promises, Promises Rev. Dr. Erin Cox-Holmes

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

***HYMN** Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated (1874) #458 Blue Hymnal

COVENANT COMMITMENT

Statement on Covenant Relationship Rev. Dr. Erin Cox-Holmes

Profession of Faith Apostles’ Creed (can be found on pew card)

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Covenant Relationship

Declaration of Covenant Relationship

Charge to Pastor

Charge to Congregation

Special Music Amazing Grace (1779) Ansel Kneier

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES, GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Offertory “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” – Johann Cruger-1598-1662

***Doxology**

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

Breaking of Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

***THE CHARGE AND THE BENEDICTION**

***ORGAN RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE "Chorus in C Minor" – G. F. Broadhead

*Those who are able may stand

The Reverend Sarah Anne Kneier

Sarah A. Kneier is a class of 2013 graduate from Lancaster Theological Seminary and a fall 2013 graduate of the Clinical Pastoral Education internship at Lancaster General Hospital where she served as chaplain. As the 2012-13 Seminary Intern at Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church in Quarryville, Sarah was recognized with the Rural Church Prize by the faculty of Lancaster Theological Seminary for "notable achievement in the field of rural church." Sarah has also served as a seminary intern at Kreutz Creek Presbyterian in Hellam, served in the many ministries of Wayside Presbyterian, in Landisville, and preached at many churches in the Presbytery of Donegal. Sarah recently served as a chaplain at Camp Donegal in Airville, PA. She also enjoys gardening, needlework, cooking and the many parks in the area. Sarah, her husband, David, and her son, Ansel, reside in Columbia, PA.

On June 29th, Sarah was ordained as a Teaching Elder by the Presbytery of Donegal. A Celebration of Covenant Pastoral Relationship is taking place TODAY during this 10 AM morning worship service, and a celebration will be held following the service in fellowship hall!

Please welcome the Reverend Doctor Erin Cox-Holmes to our church today. Erin is the Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of Donegal. She will be preaching and leading the covenant commitment ceremony this morning.

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 today are provided by Barb O'Neal in memory of her grandmother, Anna Kovacs.

Ushers for July 20 are Nancy Duquette and Barb O'Neal

Ushers for July 27 are Robert and Darlene Henly

Nursery for Today – Tim and Meagan Nolt

Nursery for July 20– Deb Hoffman and Joy Bouchard

Counter for Today – Barb O'Neal

Counter for July 20 – To Be Determined

Church Opener – Barb O'Neal

Church Closer for today – Barb O'Neal

Church Closer for July 20 – Property Committee

Flowers for July – Jeff Weber

Strength for Today – July 14 – July 20 – Deb Hoffman

Strength for Today – July 21 – July 27 – Meagan 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.

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
Organist:	Mary Ann Ober
Secretary:	Barbara O’Neal
Treasurer:	Deborah Hoffman

Elders:

Tim Nolt	Membership/Mission
John Leggore	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:

Nancy Duquette	Moderator, Ushers, Greeters, Coffee Hour
Laura Weber	Treasurer, Visits & Calls
Janet Stirling	Prayer Chain, Transportation
Jeff Weber	Flowers, Nominating Committee
Dee Neese	Secretary, Greeting Cards, Audio Ministry
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 all 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
July 6, 2014



IMPORTANT DATES

Historical note – The Doxology was written as a prayer for boys attending a boys’ school in England to encourage their devotional habits.

August 3rd – it has been decided to hold the church picnic here in Fellowship Hall. Time will be announced later. Bring a dish to share and we’ll have Hot dogs! Hamburgers! And whatever else we bring – still an old fashioned picnic in keeping with the 175th.

August 14th – We will be hosting a Chamber of Commerce mixer and open house here in Fellowship Hall from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. The Chamber has one mixer each month throughout the year and since we are celebrating our 175th Anniversary, we thought we would hold our open house in connection with this. From 5 to 7 pm on 8/14, plan to eat as only Presbyterians can eat and join us as we open our church to the community.

HERE IS SOME INFORMATION ABOUT CAMP DONEGAL TO GIVE TO SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY OR A FRIEND WHO HAS CHILDREN THAT MIGHT BENEFIT FROM THIS. Want to experience Camp Donegal but not ready for a full week away from home? Camp Donegal offers Day Camp and half-week Adventure Camps for our youngest campers. For more information on Camp Donegal’s exciting summer programs, see the 2014 summer brochure. Camp brochures are available in Fellowship Hall. **PLEASE NOTE --- FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAS SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AVAILABLE.**

PICTURES

Thanks for all the pictures. Most have been current so if you have some old ones that we can scan, please give them to Barb. They will be returned.

Thank you to everyone who has sponsored the pulpit flowers on a regular basis over the years. We are blessed to have many generous people in our congregation. However, due to various circumstances, the pool of sponsors has shrunk. If you haven't yet sponsored flowers, please consider doing so. If you are a regular sponsor, please consider adding an additional [Sunday](#). **Just contact Jeff Weber** (361-9065 or jrweber22@comcast.net) 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.

MUGS

There is a table in Fellowship Hall with the 175th Anniversary mugs. They are \$5 each and there is a can to put the money in beside them. They are really nice – green and gold. Pick one up on your way out of church.

SHIRTS

If you are interested in a Tee Shirt for the 175th, see Joy or Dennis Bouchard.

LIFELINE SCREENING SCHEDULED

On August 27th Lifeline Screening will be holding their examinations here in Fellowship Hall. You will shortly receive flyers explaining the exams and also giving our members the first opportunity to secure an appointment time before any other marketing materials are sent to the local community. The screening includes tests for Carotid Artery Blockage, Peripheral Artery Disease, High Blood pressure, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms, Osteoporosis, Blood testing, Atrial Fibrillation plus some biometrics such as height, weight, waist circumference and body-mass index. Some of you are familiar with the procedure since we held it here several years ago and many of you participated.

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

Those of you who work with the children in our church signed a Child Protection Policy before you began. The policies have now changed and we are mandated to prepare and complete forms which comply to the new Child Protection Laws. Everyone in the church who works with children will have to do this. John Leggore is the coordinator; please get in touch with him if you have not done this.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR GLENN MAINS

There will be a memorial service for Glenn Mains on August 2nd at 2:00 at the First Presbyterian Church in Newville, PA. (Newville is on the other side of Carlisle)

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Memorial donations in memory of Rev. Rowles can be sent for Camp Donegal through the Presbytery Office, P.O. Box 10054, Lancaster PA 17605 with memo line Joyce Rowles Memorial.

Address for Chris, Tommy and Kristi Rowles Phone: 717-471-4462
965 Pinetree Way
Lancaster PA 17601

CHANGES IN DIRECTORY

New Address: Glenda and Lewis Burross
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New Phone Number: Shirley Mark – 717-366-4455

Pastor Sarah Kneier email – sarahfpmj@gmail.com

Lonnie Nolt phone: 278-5475

Joan Mains email: glennmains@yahoo.com

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday from 10 am to 1 pm
Wednesday from 9 am to 12 pm
Thursday from 9 am to 12 pm

INVITATION FROM JUNIPER VILLAGE

Juniper Village at Mount Joy is happy to host the Mount Joy Chamber of Commerce Mixer on July 15, 2014 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. RSVP to Kerry at the Chamber or Mary Main at Juniper Village – 492-9692. This is a yearly event and gives visitors a chance to see the grounds and enjoy wonderful food.