

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for September: Bonnie Helmick & Arlan Schaeffer

Worship Assistant: Dale Fronheiser

Nursery Caregivers: Tracey Kochey & Roxanne Anhalt

This week's flowers are sponsored by Matt & Kira Weller in honor of Juliana's 1st birthday.

This week's bulletins are sponsored by Carey & Cheryl Anderson.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Terry & Mayetta Shane

Flowers: Franklin & Martha Snyder

2017 Flower & Bulletin Sign-up sheets are posted on the Narthex bulletin board. If you sponsor flowers for the week, please remember to take them with you after the service; if you do not want to take your flowers home, please let Nikki know and she will make sure they get to a shut-in to enjoy.

Last Week

Last Week's Attendance:

Church: 53 Sunday School: 25

Last Week's Offering: \$2,234.00

2017 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,070.65



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October 1, 2017

World Communion Sunday

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(+) *Those who are able please stand*

Bold - congregation responds as able

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" P. Cline & W. Nelson

+CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Psalm 66
Shout joyfully to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name;
Make His praise glorious, how awesome are Thy works!

+HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy" Blue Hymnal No. 1

CONFESSION OF SIN
~ Silent Prayers ~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)
Hear the Good News in Jesus Christ. We are forgiven;
Thanks be to God.

+GLORIA PATRI
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to The Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen

+STATEMENT OF FAITH (unison) Apostle's Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hades; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty' from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)
Almighty God, inspire our hearts and minds that we may hear anew your message for us today. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON [OT page 215] Psalm 149

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON [NT page 7] Matthew 8:18-22

SERMON "The Prayer of Faith" Pastor Mary

PASTORAL PRAYER

CELEBRATION OF WORLD WIDE COMMUNION

Please hold the bread and wine until all have received. We will partake together. Note that the outer rings are filled with wine, while the inner rings have grape juice, and are a lighter color. As the elements are distributed, please pass the tray to the center of the pew, and then back again to the Usher.

COMMUNION HYMN "We Bear the Strain of Earthly Care" Blue Hymnal No. 279

CALL TO OFFERING

ANTHEM "Communion Cannon" R.E. Schram & N. Lorenz

+OFFERING RESPONSE

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE (prayers for local and worldwide concerns)
PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

LORD'S PRAYER (debts & debtors) Blue Hymnal page 37

+HYMN "Christ for the World We Sing" Blue Hymnal No. 372

+BENEDICTION

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

God be with you till we meet again; By his counsels guide, uphold you; With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

+POSTLUDE "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" arr. by L. Smith



Welcome Visitors - We warmly welcome you and ask that before you leave today, please make sure to sign the guestbook on the podium out in the Narthex.

Communitas - The weekly Communitas are available for you in the narthex.

Acolytes Needed – Young or Young at Heart are needed to help out. If you are interested please contact Nikki at 610-367-8114 for more details.

Community Outreach Ministry – We will continue to support our local community through Boyertown Multi-Service. For the month of October we will collect a few needed items for Thanksgiving Meals. Please do not feel like you have to contribute but if you can, know it is greatly appreciated by those who are in need! Items needed are:

- Boxes of Apple Cider Mix
- Evaporated Milk
- Boxes of Corn Muffing Mix
- Monetary Donations to Purchase Turkeys (please give donations to Nikki Weller)
- Canned Sweet Potatoes
- Boxes of Pie Crust Mix

Friendly's Fundraiser – The Boy Scout Troop at Hill Church is having a fundraiser at Friendly's in Pottstown. Just dine there on Tuesday, Oct 3rd from 5-9 pm and they will receive a percentage of your check. Troop #518 thanks you for your support!

Pet Blessing – Next Sunday, October 8 at 3 pm Pastor Mary will have a pet blessing service in the picnic grove. Bring a blanket or chair too.

Annual Buckwheat Pancake & Sausage Supper – Saturday, October 7, 2017

Dinner served 3:00 -7:30 p.m.

Cost: Adults \$9.00 Children 3-10 yrs. \$5.00 Take out \$1.00 extra

Wednesday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m. - Clean-up of grounds and wash dishes in the dining hall. Your help is needed! (Please bring your own lawn equipment).

Saturday, October 7 at 7:00 a.m. - Morning food preparations start at 7 am.

-peel & slice potatoes, set up tables, prepare take out sides, cut & stack sausages

-1 pm help with mixing pancake mix, frying sausage and potatoes

-2:30 pm waitresses & kitchen help needed

Donations of baked goods are needed and are greatly appreciated!

Monday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m. - Trash removal and returning items from dining hall to church attic.

Again your help is needed. Please do not wait to be asked, we do not know your schedule, but we need your help for clean up on Wednesday evening and also for the Saturday events! Contact Eileen, Dennis or Nancy with what you can help with any day or time for above activities. Your time is so appreciated.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday – October 1

8:30 am Sunday School

8:30 am Confirmation Class

9:30 am Worship Service with
Holy Communion

Monday – October 2

9 am Prayer Group

9:30 am Bible Study

7 pm Sunday School Meeting

Tuesday – October 3

7 pm Women's Guild Meeting

Wednesday – October 4

6 pm Supper Prep

7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal

8 pm Cantata Rehearsal

HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

Sunday – October 8

8:30 am Sunday School

8:30 am Confirmation Class

9:30 am Worship Service

3 pm Pet Blessing in Picnic Grove

Monday – October 9

9 am Prayer Group

9:30 am Bible Study

6 pm Supper Clean-Up

Tuesday – October 10

7 pm Consistory Meeting

Wednesday – October 11

7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal

8 pm Cantata Rehearsal

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" ~1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for the men and women in the military, your neighbors and community, and our church. Pray for all those celebrating miracles. Prayers for all those who are suffering from violence, fear for their lives, those who have been affected by violent acts, those suffering from wounds and most importantly those who have lost a loved one.

Help us keep our prayer list up to date. To add, remove, or update a prayer request, please contact the church office or place a colored prayer request slip from your pew in the offering plate. Prayer requests are kept on the list for a 4 week period, if you would like the person to remain on the list for an additional 4 weeks, please contact Nikki with an update.

Betty Miller ----- In Manatawny Manor

Marie Schollenberger ----- Recovering in Manor Care, Laureldale

Kris Endy (Bill & Dawn Endy's Daughter in Law) ----- Battling Cancer

Marijane Kirby (Anita Brady's Sister) ----- recovering from surgery

Fern Schanelly ----- passed away Wednesday night