

October 14, 2018

St. John - Hill U.C.C.

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21st Sunday after Pentecost

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(+) *Those who are able please stand* **Bold - congregation responds as able**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"The Abundant Life"

G. Parker

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN

Faith & Praise No. 273

"More Precious than Silver" (sing 2x)

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Holy God, we confess that we have been
brisk in the service of self,**

Slack in the service of others;

Eager to get,

reluctant to give;

Lofty in our profession,

low in our practice;

Full of good intentions,

backwards to fulfilling them;

Severe with our neighbors,

indulgent with ourselves;

Eager to find fault,

resentful at being found fault with;

Little able for great tasks,

discontent with small ones;

Weak in adversity,

self-satisfied in prosperity;

Helpless apart from you,

and yet so little willing to be bound to you.

Merciful God, grant us yet forgiveness,

for His Holy name's sake. Amen.

+SILENT CONFESSION

+WORDS OF ASSURANCE

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"My Tribute"

Faith & Praise No. 36

"My Tribute" words & music by Andraé Crouch, ©1971 Communiqué Music CCLI License #11085161

*To God be the glory, to God be the glory, To God be the
glory for the things He has done. With His blood
He has saved me; With His pow'r He has raised me;
To God be the glory for the things he has done.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

O God,

**your Word is more precious than fine gold,
and sweeter than purest honey.**

**As we turn to your Scripture,
send your Holy Spirit**

**to infuse your Word with truth and grace -
so that the good news of your love
would shine before our eyes
and delight our senses...**

**so that we cannot help but respond
with wonder, faith and trust.**

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

[OT page 809]

Amos 5:6-15

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

[NT page 44] Mark 10:17-31

SERMON

Pastor Chuck Maxfield

"Can the Rich get to Heaven?"

+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.

CALL TO OFFERING

ANTHEM

arr. F. Ritter

“Wonderful Words of Life”

+OFFERING RESPONSE

“All Things Are Thine”

Blue Hymnal No. 508

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*All things are Thine: no gift have we, Lord of all gifts,
to offer Thee; And hence with grateful hearts today,
Thine own before Thy feet we lay.*

+OFFERING PRAYER

+PRAYER HYMN

Faith & Praise No. 552

“Have Thine Own Way”

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

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

+HYMN

Faith & Praise No. 664

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”

+COMMISSION & BENEDECTION

+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

“Recessional”

H. Turner



- * Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex.
- * The weekly Communitas are available in the narthex.

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.

Grocery Gift Cards to Support Missions: Giant, Redner's, & Weis – See Connie Hile

Church Treasurer – We are now accepting applications to fill this position order to allow ample time for any necessary training. Applications can be found in the Narthex or the church office. If you have any questions please feel free to ask a consistory member.

Blood Drive – The November 2018 Miller Keystone Blood Drive will be held on Monday, November 19 in order to accommodate the St. Joseph's Daycare Thanksgiving program. This is a change from the typical third Tuesday schedule.

Introduction to the Bible – Pastor Chuck Maxfield will offer a course, “Introduction to the Bible,” on select Monday nights in September and October. Class will meet Monday mornings from 9 - 10:30 am and Monday evenings from 7 - 8:30 pm.

Back to College – We need your help in getting a list together of names, addresses, and e-mail addresses of our new college students, returning students, and military personnel. Once completed, we will post the list in the Narthex so that anyone who would like to keep in touch with them can do so. Please give your information to the church secretary at 610-367-8114 or nikki@stjohnhillucc.org. Thanks!

Community Outreach - We will be collecting for Boyertown Multi-Service during the month of October. A giving tree is in the Narthex on the wall. This will operate the same as the angel tree does over Christmas. Please take a leaf (or two, or three...) and purchase the item on it and bring it back unwrapped and place it in the bin in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for your support of this project! If you have any questions, please see Nikki Weller.

Acolytes – We are in need of acolytes. Young or young at heart. Please see Nikki if you are willing to help out.

Hoagie Sale – Mission Trip hoagie sale order form is in the bulletin. Orders are due to Eileen Fisher by October 28.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday - October 14

8:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Worship Service

Monday - October 15

9 am Intro to the Bible
7 pm Intro to the Bible

Wednesday - October 17

7 pm Sr. Choir Rehearsal
8 pm Cantata Rehearsal

HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

Sunday - October 21

8:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Worship Service
Joyful Noise Offering
Newsletter Deadline

Monday - October 22

9 am Intro to the Bible
7 pm Intro to the Bible

Wednesday - October 24

NO Choir or Cantata
Rehearsals

“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.

Brad Kolb (Geneva Kolb's Son) ----- disabled

Dennis (Dale Fronheiser's Uncle) & Ruth Brooke -----
----- Ruth is in declining health

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for October: Clarence Weller & David Mutter

Worship Assistant: Matt Weller

Nursery Caregivers: Terry & Mayetta Shane

This week's flowers are sponsored by Edie Krause & family in loving memory of Charlene Krause Deery.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins:

Flowers:

2018 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: 59

Last Week's Offering: \$2,648.00

2018 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,099.11

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Rev. Charles Maxfield, Interim Pastor

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All Saints Sunday

November 4, 2018

We will be honoring the late Rev. James W. Rogers during the 9:30 am worship service. We would like some of your thoughtful memories. Please answer the following question and place it in the offering plate, e-mail it to nikki@stjohnhillucc.org or visit www.stjohnhillucc.org and click on the link to submit your memories by October 21.

I thank God for Pastor Rogers because...