

November 11, 2018

St. John – Hill U.C.C.

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25th Sunday after Pentecost **November 11, 2018**

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Autumn Reverie” D. Paxton

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN “Seek Ye First” Faith & Praise No. 555

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**We confess our sin, O Lord,
Our clouded eyes,
that see no further than our own advantage.
Our Dulled imagination
that does not know what others suffer.
Our willingness to profit from injustice
which we have not striven to prevent.
Our selfishness which is quick to gain
and slow to give.
Our unconcern, which makes us cry,
“Am I my brother’s keeper?”
Our slackness in seeking your will for
ourselves and others.
For everything in our lives
which may hide your true light,
who are the light of the world.
O you who are ever merciful,
take away the evil of our
conscious and unconscious wrongs.
Forgive us and grant us new faithfulness. 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)

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit that in
your light we may see light, in your truth find
freedom, and in your will discover your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

[OT page 316]

1 Kings 17:8-16

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

[NT page 47] Mark 12:38-44

SERMON

"Why We Give"

Pastor Chuck Maxfield

+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

"O for Grace"

S. Pethel

+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. 589

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

+HYMN “O Jesus, I Have Promised” Faith & Praise No. 554

+COMMISSION & BENEDICTION

+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

arr. by J. Scriveynere

“O Spread the Tidings Round”



* 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 in 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.

Community Outreach - For November, we will be helping out Reading Berks Council of Churches. Their chaplains provide services at Berks County Jail and over Christmas they provide a chocolate treat for each inmate. They need to collect 1300 individually wrapped 1.55 oz. Hershey bars. Next trip out, pick up a bar or more and place it in the box in the Narthex. Note: ALL bars must be the same (see photo below). *If you are looking to buy lots, Amazon and Sam's have packs of 36 bars for \$20.* 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.

Christmas Eve – The worship team and consistory are working to plan the services for Christmas Eve and would like your input on service times. Please see any consistory member or contact Nikki in the office.

Women's Guild Fundraiser - Join us on Sunday, November 25th for some fun and crafting!!! We are hosting a "fun" fundraiser through Susie Camm from Make and Take and will be making a wooden pallet "BELIEVE" sign. The sign can be used as either an inside or outside decoration or used as a gift. (they will all have an outside finish placed on them). No worries - Signs will be stenciled in. All you need do is to paint within the lines and have fun!! Price is \$35.00. We will lunch at church before we craft. Crafting will begin at noon and end around 1:30. All church members, family or guests are invited. Register with Nancy Weller by November 11. Below is a sample of our craft.



Thanksgiving Eve Worship - Wednesday, November 21 at 7 pm we will be joining St. Joseph's Lutheran Church for Thanksgiving Eve worship. The joint service will be held at their church. If you are interested in helping out by reading a short passage during the service, please see Nikki.

November 25 - Sunday, Nov. 25 we will welcome Peter Detterline to the pulpit while Rev. Maxfield spends time with his family.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday - November 11

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

Monday - November 12

9 am Bible Study & Prayer
Group

Tuesday - November 13

7 pm Consistory Meeting

Wednesday - November 14

7 pm Choir Rehearsal
8 pm Cantata Rehearsal

HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

Sunday - November 18

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

Monday - November 19

9 am Bible Study & Prayer
Group

Tuesday - November 20

7:30 pm Cemetery Board
Meeting at St. Joe's

Wednesday - November 21

7 pm Thanksgiving Eve
Worship at St. Joseph's

"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

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for November: Rick Furches & Arlan Schaeffer

Worship Assistant: Linda Mauger

Nursery Caregivers: Nancy & Dennis Weller

This week's flowers are sponsored by Jane & Steve Prutzman in memory of loved ones.

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

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Dawn & Bill Endy

Flowers: Arlan Schaeffer

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: 95

Last Week's Offering: \$4,155.00

2018 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,099.11

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