

June 3, 2018

St. John – Hill U.C.C.

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2nd Sunday after Pentecost

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Our Gracious Lord” G. Sewell

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN “Rock of Ages” Blue Hymnal No. 217

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Grant us today your pardon and your peace – For the sins of our lips: For words untrue, and words unclean, and words unkind. For the sins of our hands: For all the careless work, for all the wrong deeds, for any action which hurt another or which made it easier for another to go wrong. For the sins of our minds: For blindness to the truth, for refusal to face facts, for all dishonest thinking. For the sins of our hearts: For all pride, all wrong desires, and all false loves. Forgive us, O God. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Something Beautiful” Faith & Praise No. 571

*Something beautiful, something good; All my confusion
He understood; All I had to offer Him was
brokenness and strife, But He made something
beautiful of my life.*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

(Children K-6th grade may leave for Sunday School)

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 241] 1 Samuel 3:1-10

GOSPEL LESSON [NT page 35] Mark 2:23-3:6

SERMON "Law, Grace, and the Sabbath" Rev. 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 to the dead; 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 living 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.

SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

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

CALL TO OFFERING

ANTHEM arr. by D. Wagner

"In the Silence of This Moment"

+OFFERING RESPONSE

“Glorify Thy Name”

Faith & Praise No. 77

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name. Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, ...

Spirit, ...

+OFFERING PRAYER

+COMMUNION HYMN

Blue Hymnal No. 341

“Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (responsive)

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord God!

It is good that we do!

We give you thanks, Lord God, creator and Father, for bringing the worlds into being, for forming all persons in your likeness, for recalling us when we rebel against you, and for keeping the world in your steadfast love.

We praise you especially for Jesus Christ, who was born of Mary and lived as one of us; Who knew exactly the life we know, and yet was obedient to your purposes, even to his death on a cross.

We thank you that you stamped his death with victory by raising him in power and by making him head over all things.

We rejoice in the continuing presence of the Holy Spirit, in the church you have gathered, in its task of obedience, and in the promise of eternal life.

With the faithful in every place and time, we praise with joy your Holy name:

Holy, Holy, Holy. God of love and majesty, the whole world speaks of your glory, O God, most high!

Grant O Lord, by your Holy Spirit, that the bread we break and the cup we share may be for us a means of grace; that receiving them we may be made one with Christ and he with us, and remain members of His body, until we feast with Him anew in His kingdom.

In the strength Christ gives, we offer ourselves to you, giving thanks that you have called us to serve you. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

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.

+HYMN

Blue Hymnal No. 243

“Make Me a Captive, Lord”

+COMMISSION & BENEDICTION

+RESPONSE

*God be with you till we meet again. By His counsels
guild uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you.
God be with you till we meet again.*

+POSTLUDE

“Trinity Blessed”

B. Price



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.

Large Print Bulletins – Large print bulletins are available in the Narthex.

Holy Communion – We invite you to join us in sharing Holy Communion. You do not need to be a member of this church to come to Christ's Table. All mature believers are welcome to receive the bread and cup of the Lord.

The Communion Offering which assists needy members of our Hill Church Family is being received today. Please use brown pew envelopes for your donation.

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

Summer Sunday School – We are in need of volunteers to do a short children's lesson during church or teach a Sunday School class for the kids. Sunday School will be held during the 9:30 am worship service. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up in the Sunday School hallway or contact Nikki.

Graduation Sunday – On Sunday, June 10th, we will be recognizing Hill Church graduates. If you are aware of someone connected to Hill Church who will be graduating from high school, college, or making another significant move (such as from middle school to high school), please contact the church office so we can be sure to include them. Thank you for helping us with this. And be sure to attend worship on June 10th when we will be honoring and praying for our graduates.

Church Treasurer – Wendy Shane will be resigning as treasurer of Hill Church at the end of 2018. 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.

VBS – It is almost time...Don't Miss the Boat!! We will be "Shipwrecked" June 11-14 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Registration forms are out on the window sills in the sanctuary and is also available online.

Donations Needed – Matt Hinkle is going on a mission trip to Africa and is asking for donations of items to take with him. There is a box in the Narthex for you to place the items. Please bring all items by TODAY.

Military Service in Cemetery – On Saturday June 9, 2018 at 10:00am there will be a ceremony for Pvt. Charles K. Mest. The Sons of Union Veterans would like to welcome all who wish to attend, it would be their honor. We will be doing a color guard, honor guard with volley, a few speeches, prayers and taps. They would also welcome anyone in the congregation who may be related to Charles to say a few words as well.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday - June 3

9:30 am Worship Service
with Holy Communion

Monday - June 4

9 am Small Group Bible
Study
7 pm Sunday School Meeting

Tuesday - June 5

6 pm Women's Guild Tea
Party at Mayetta's

Saturday - June 9

7 am Men's Breakfast
8 am Work Day
9 am VBS Set Up
10 am Military Service in
Cemetery

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Sunday - June 10

9:30 am Worship Service
Graduation Sunday

Monday - June 11

9 am Small Group Bible
Study

June 11-14

6:30-8:30 pm VBS

“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

Wendy Hess (Friend of Cheryl Graber's) -----
-----in nursing ctr recovering from brain aneurism

Family of Jack Eachus (Connie Hile's Dad) -----
----- passed away on Thursday

Family of Rev. Rogers ----- passed away Tuesday

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for June: Bob Fleming & Ray Kochey

Worship Assistant: Matt Weller

Acolyte: Kendall Helbig

Nursery Caregivers: Joel & Nikki Weller

This week's flowers & bulletins are sponsored by Dale & Dottie Fronheiser in honor of their 35th anniversary.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins:

Flowers: Jane & Steve Prutzman

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: 52

Last Week's Offering: \$1,634.00

2018 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,099.11

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