

**July 15, 2018**

# St. John - Hill U.C.C.

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**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*"You Raise Me Up"*

Selah

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN

*"Holy Ground"*

Faith & Praise No. 100

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Holy God, we confess that in the thoughts of our minds, in the desire of our hearts, in the words of our lips, and in the deeds we have done, we have sinned against you. We acknowledge our sins of omission and negligence: the duties we have shirked, the opportunities we have missed, the words of encouragement and witness we have not spoken, the deeds of helpfulness and love we have not performed. We are truly sorry for every way in which we have displeased you. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins, as we freely forgive those who have sinned against us. Cleanse our hearts and so strengthen us by your Holy Spirit, that we may from now on, walk in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"Something Beautiful"

Faith & Praise No. 571

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*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-6<sup>th</sup> grade may leave for Sunday School)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

**Holy God, Word made flesh, let us come to this word  
open to being surprised. Silence our agendas;  
banish our assumptions; cast out our casual  
detachment. Confound our expectations; clear the  
cobwebs from our ears; penetrate the corners of  
our hearts with this word. We know that you can,  
we pray that you will, and with wait with great  
anticipation. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

[OT page 274]

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

GOSPEL LESSON

[NT page 38]

Mark 6:14-29

SERMON

"Sacred Space"

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 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.**

PRAYER HYMN

Faith & Praise No. 425

*"Where the Spirit of the Lord Is" (sing 2 times)*

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

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

CALL TO OFFERING

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*"A Holy Offering"*

S. Landan

+OFFERING RESPONSE

*"Glorify Thy Name"*

Faith & Praise No. 77

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*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

+HYMN

Faith & Praise No. 715

*"The Church's One Foundation"*

+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

*"Praise & Exultation"*

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.

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

**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.

**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.

**Church Office Hours** – Please note that Nikki will be away on vacation from July 12-24. Nikki will be checking phone messages and e-mail while away.

**Grab Bag Auction** – Join us for the annual Women's Guild Auction on August 14. Up for auction will be gift bags & packages donated with items from our congregation. Will you bid on fresh food from someone's garden, a pair of earrings, a new book to read, a beautiful painting or photo? Only you will know after you win!! Proceeds will benefit replacing the church doors and Nurse-Family Partnership (helping aid first time Mom's).

**Community Outreach** - It's back to school collection time for Boyertown Area Multi Service. They are looking for the following items to help their school-age clients and families. If you can donate any school supply item, please place it in the box in the Narthex during the month of July.

- notebooks (spiral and composition)
- 3-ring binders, folders, filler paper
- pens, pencils, markers, crayons, colored pencils
- glue sticks,
- folders
- backpacks
- rulers, scissors
- black dry erase markers
- pencil pouches (not boxes)
- 3x5 index cards
- any other school supply item

***HAPPENING THIS WEEK:***

**Sunday - July 15**

9:30 am Worship Service  
Newsletter Deadline

**Monday - July 16**

9 am Small Group Bible  
Study

**Tuesday - July 17**

7:30 pm Cemetery Board  
Meeting at St. John Hill

**July 18-21**

Mission Trip Birdsboro

***HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:***

**Sunday - July 22**

9:30 am Worship Service

**Monday - July 23**

9 am Small Group Bible  
Study

“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

Thelma & Charlie (Judy Conrad's Aunt)-----

-----transitioning to Senior living and memory care

## Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for July: Rick Furches & Matt Weller

Worship Assistant: Bob Fleming

Nursery Caregivers: Kira & Matt Weller

This week's bulletins are sponsored by Paul & Sally Shirk in memory of Linda Grabert.

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins: Barb Helbig

Flowers: Rick & Linda Furches

*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: 58

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Last Week's Offering: \$2,345.00

2018 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$3,099.11

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