

February 3, 2019

St. John – Hill U.C.C.

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4th Sunday after Epiphany

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Wings of Healing”

R. Blake

CALL TO WORSHIP

+HYMN

Blue Hymnal No. 296

“He Who Would Valiant Be”

+CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of all mercy,

**we confess before you and each other
that we have been unfaithful to you.**

We lack love for our neighbors,

**we waste opportunities to do good,
and we look the other way**

**when you cry out to us in the suffering
of our brothers and sisters in need.**

We are sincerely sorry for our sins,

**both those we commit deliberately
and those that we allow to overtake us.**

We ask your forgiveness

**and pray strength
that we may follow in your way
and love all your people**

**with that perfect love which casts our all fear;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. 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.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your
Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and
your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy
what you say to us today. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 84 [OT page 521]

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:31-43 [NT page 58]

SERMON "Evil Spirits" 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 "In This Moment of Remembrance" D. Wood

+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

SHARING PRAYER JOYS & CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION HYMN "All Who Hunger" See Insert

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:

SERAPHIC HYMN (sung)

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of Thy Glory, Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

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

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

This morning we will receive the Communion Elements by coming to the Communion Table. The servers will escort worshippers to the front of the sanctuary. Note that the outer rings are filled with wine, while the inner rings have grape juice, and are a lighter color. Please partake of each element as you receive it.

+HYMN

Blue Hymnal No. 205

“O Master Let Me Walk with Thee”

+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 “Praise God in His Holy Temple” S. Scott



- * 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

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.

Altar Flowers & Bulletins – The **2019** sign up charts for “Flower & Bulletin Sponsorship” are posted on the Narthex bulletin board. The cost is \$30 for flowers and \$15 for bulletins. As always, we greatly appreciate and need your stewardship. When signing up, please include with your name, how you would like the “In Memory Of” or “In Honor Of” to appear in the bulletin. Thank you!

Community Outreach Collection – We will be collecting for the Boyertown Multi-Service Food Pantry during the month of February. Below is a list of items needed to fill the shelves in the pantry and the hearts of their clients. If you have any questions, please see Nikki Weller.

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Bath/Shower Soap (bars or liquid)
- Deodorant
- Laundry Soap
- Instant Oatmeal
- Canned Fruit

Inclement Weather & Sunday Worship – In the event of inclement weather on Sunday mornings, announcements regarding the Hill Church Sunday schedule will be given in the following ways:

Church website: <http://www.stjohnhillucc.org>

Church telephone answering machine: 610-367-8114

WFMZ TV Storm Center – Broadcast Channel 69

(May be a different channel on your system)

Also, please keep in mind that power outages may affect our ability to use certain of the above resources, and the ability of some members to have access to those outlets. So we encourage church members to be in touch with one another to help spread the word about possible cancellations and changes. Thank you.

Souper Bowl Sunday - TODAY will be our annual Souper Bowl lunch. This year we will be having a new challenge with 2 monetary collection pots – one for the Rams and one for the Patriots! While all donations will go to one cause, you can put your donations in the pot designated for the team you are cheering for! *We always have plenty of soups, so please do not feel you need to bring one to enjoy the fellowship.*

Easter Worship – The Worship Committee would like your opinions about having an Outdoor Easter Sunrise Service Easter morning rather than having the 7:00 AM service. Please tell one of the committee members your thoughts. Committee Members are Sonya Moyer, Mayetta Shane, Joel & Nikki Weller and Elmer Miller.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Sunday – February 3

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

Monday – February 4

9 am Bible Study
7 pm Christian Ed. Meeting

Wednesday – February 6

7 pm Choir Rehearsal
8 pm Cantata Rehearsal

HAPPENING NEXT WEEK:

Sunday – February 10

8:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Worship Service
10:30 am Women’s Guild Meeting

Monday – February 11

9 am Bible Study

Tuesday – February 12

7 pm Consistory Meeting

Wednesday – February 13

7 pm 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.

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

Serving Today

Consistory Helpers for February: Terry Shane & Clarence Weller

Worship Assistant: Linda Mauger

Nursery Caregivers: Dale & Dottie Fronheiser

Next week's sponsors:

Bulletins:

Flowers:

2019 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: 66

Last Week's Offering: \$3,631.00

2019 Weekly Budgeted Expenses: \$2,975.29

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All Who Hunger

1. All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na
 2. All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a
 3. All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er; Je- sus Christ is

is our bread. Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering.
 wel-come guest. Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing.
 liv-ing bread. Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing.

Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for
 Here, in joy, we keep the feast. We that once were
 Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who

days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 from this ta-ble live their lives in grat-i-tude.

Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

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