**Montoursville Presbyterian Church**

900 Elm Street, Montoursville, PA

January 22, 2017 8:15am & 10:45am

 **Morning Worship**

 

**God’s People Gather**

*Please observe prayerful silence when the prelude begins.*

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE “Invitation Medley” *Don Wyrtzen*

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (10:45)

*Rev. David, Wendy, Sophie, and Christian Smith*

**We Praise the Lord**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 27:1, 4, 14)

L: The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?

**P: The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?**

L: One thing I ask of the Lord, this only do I seek:

**P: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.**

L: Wait for the Lord;

**P: Be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.**

\*Hymn of Praise: 474 “O Splendor of God's Glory Bright”

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**God of glory, You sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal Your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of Your light. Shine Your light upon us once more, show Your love to us and to the world, and in Your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, that we may show forth Your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen**

 *(Silent Confession)*

Assurance of Pardon

\*Response of Praise: 579 “Gloria Patri”

Passing the Peace

L: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

**Hear God’s Word**

CHILDREN’S LESSON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE PROPHET: Isaiah 9:1-3 (pg. 687/1027)

THE PSALM: Psalm 27 (pg. 550/795)

SPECIAL MUSIC (8:15) “You Are My All in All” *Debbie Keller*

CHORAL ANTHEM (10:45) *Chancel Choir*

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12-25 (pg. 968/1472)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord! **People: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON Light of Life  *Rev. David C. Smith*

\*Hymn of Response:

377 “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore” (vv. 1, 2, 4)

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed (pg. 15)

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory “Communion” *Edouard Batiste*

\*Doxology: 592 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

\*Hymn of Preparation: 505 “Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread”

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup

Closing Prayer

**The Disciples Give Thanks**

THE SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS (10:45) *Faye Konkle*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE The Lord’s Prayer (pg. 16)

**We Go Forth To Serve**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*Hymn of Commitment: 411 “Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

 POSTLUDE “Faith, The Victory” *Steven Scott*

\*Please stand, if able

Worship Leaders

Pastor: *Rev. David C. Smith*

Greeters & Ushers: (8:15) *Steve & Cathy Rush*

Greeters: (10:45) *Marc & Diane Haas*

Ushers: *G. Conrad, V. Shearer, N. Bixler, R. McCloskey*

Elders: (8:15) *D. Shearer*

(10:45) *D. Shimmel, J. LeCrone, M. Haas*

Liturgist: (8:15) *Dave Shimmel* (10:45) *Joe LeCrone*

Organist:  *Debbie Keller* Choir Director: *Dennis Carpenter*

 ***Holy Communion***



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 **This Week at MPC**

**Sunday, January 22nd**

8:15am Worship Service (S)

9:30am Sunday School (C)

10:45am Worship Service (S)

5:30pm FISH Youth Group (MCEC)

**Monday, January 23rd** *(Food Pantry/Shep. of the Sts. Delivery)*

8:30am Prayer Group (MCEC)

**Tuesday, January 24th** *(bulletin announcements due)*

6:15pm-8:00pm Circle 2 Meeting (C)

**Wednesday, January 25th**

**Thursday, January 26th**

6:15pm-8:15pm AA Meeting (FH)

7:00pm Choir Practice

**Friday, January 27th**

Office Closed

10:30am Diabetes Prevention Program (C)

**Saturday, January 28th**

**Sunday, January 29th**

8:15am Worship Service (S)

9:30am Sunday School (C)

10:45am Worship Service (S)

6:00pm Session Meeting (MCEC)

S – Sanctuary C – Classroom FH – Fellowship Hall N – Nursery

MCEC – Mendenhall

Last Week’s Attendance: 8:15am – 47 10:45am – 68

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**Announcements for the week of January 22, 2017**

Welcome to the Montoursville Presbyterian Church

Visitors: Please complete a Visitor Card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. If you are looking for a church home or membership, please see the Pastor, an Usher, or call the office.

**To assist with your worship experience, we offer:**

**Personal hearing devices** – please see an Usher

**Pew cushions** – stored above the coat racks in the Narthex

**Large print hymnals** – in the Narthex

**Handicap/family restroom** – off the far end of Fellowship Hall

**Worship bags for children** – in a basket in the Narthex

**Nursery care** for children ages up to 5 years old

 **Staff:** Deb Rupert, Mary Strein, Dorothy Casella and Gaetan Casella

**Today**, we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

If you know of anyone homebound or not able to attend and would like to receive communion, please see the pastor, or call the office.

**Ordination and installation of officers for 2019 will be next Sunday.**

**SAVE THE DATE:** Mark your calendar for the next Baked Steak Dinner on March 11th.

You can now listen to David’s sermons on the website: [www.montourpres.org](http://www.montourpres.org). The past 4 sermons are on the home page and more sermons are on the sermon page under the worship tab of the menu.

**Note to all committee chairpersons:** Year-end reports are due by February 3rd. Please Email your reports to montourpc@gmail.com. If you are unable to email them, you may bring them to the office.

**FISH Youth Group - Upcoming Events**

**TONIGHT** - Bible study and games at the MCEC at 5:30pm.  Dinner provided!  Come catch up with your FISH friends!  We will be handing out information about the retreat in February too.

**February 5** - In the morning, we will collect the Souper Bowl of Caring offering.  Come at 9:15am to collect donations for the early service and/or come to the second service and to collect donations afterwards.

In the evening, Super Bowl Party at the home of the Casellas at 5:30pm.  Interest in football not required.  You can watch the game, eat, play games or all of the above!

More details in coming weeks.

**February 12** - **DEADLINE to register for the retreat.**

**Please remember to bring your check and paperwork and give it to a FISH leader TODAY!!**

**February 17 -19** - Retreat at Camp Krislund

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

January 29 – *Vince, Jo Ellen, Gabrielle, and Adam Shearer*

February 5 – *Peggy Rennick*

February 12 – *Joe, Alexandra, Cate and Emila LeCrone*

February 19 – *Bill and Tammy Schlachter*

**Ushers and Greeters for February 5th and 12th**

(8:15am) Ushers and Greeters: *Carl Fulton & Mike Yourish*

(10:45am) Greeters: *Jim & Lois Thomas*

Ushers: *T. Strein, A. Strein, S. Mathias, L. Keller*

**Prayer List**

**Illness, recovery and support:** Kathy Butkofsky, Rose Marie Beamer, Harriett Bernier, Marge Bieber, Doug Bird, Carol Black, Dave Bower, Robert Bozart, Nancy Bradley, Hedi Campbell, Diane Chestnut, Mary Christie, Saundra Cillo, Audrey Dochter, Joanne Drake, Danny, Jody and Noah Fagnano, Betty Farley, Tad Fiser, Bob Folmar, Jodi Fraser, Tim Garman, Trista Hackenberg, Olivia Haley, Dee Henrickson, Joe Hopple, Tom Hoy, Rod Husted, Victoria Johnson, Kathleen Keller, Karen Kohler, Susan Lantz, Tina and Scott Lawrence, Roberta Lombardi, Jim Mexdorf, Angela Mitchell, Denise Neff, Frank Odell, Carol Peace, Buzz and Sandy Platt, Leigh Purdy, Paul Raub, Joshua and Henry Reinsburrow, and Danny Wagner, Deb Rupert, James and Shirley Shaner, Erin Shimmel, Dr. Robert Silver, Jim Swan, Jim and Lois Thomas, Sue Ulmer, Stella Walmer, Virginia Wentzler, Marieva Williams, Jim Wright, Sandy Wright.

**Grief:** Family and friends of Miriam Miller

**Military:** Duane (DJ) Burleigh, Ryan Burns, Joe Cardone, Maj. Brady Cillo, Jessie Confer, Maj. Laurie Fontaine, Caleb Frantz, Julia Glosek, Ben Hepburn, Ethan Jones, Dani Kline, Sgt. J. Patrick Lawracy, Jeremy Loveland, David McCollin, Marissa Patterson, Paul Wenner, Jason Yurek

**Others:** Nthemba Church (Sister church in Africa), Ministries of MPC, Peace in the World, Camp Krislund, Flood victims in Louisiana, Victims of Hurricane Matthew.



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