**Montoursville Presbyterian Church**

900 Elm Street, Montoursville, PA

August 21, 2016 9:30am

Morning Worship

 

**God’s People Gather**

*Please observe prayerful silence when the prelude begins.*

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE “The Day of Miracles” *Mosie Lister*

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*Carol Early*

**We Praise the Lord**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 71:1-2, 5-8)

L: In You, O Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

**P: In Your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn Your ear to me and save me.**

L: For You have been my hope, Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth.

**P: From birth I have relied on You; You brought me forth from my mother's womb. I will ever praise You.**

L: I have become a sign to many; You are my strong refuge.

**P: My mouth is filled with Your praise, declaring Your splendor all day long.**

\*Hymn of Praise: 466 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**All glorious God, Creator of all things, You have made us in Your own image, yet we fail to reflect Your glory in the world. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and abused Your creation. By Your mercy, forgive our sins and remake us as Your holy people. By Your Spirit, make us a new creation according to Your promise, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our only Savior, 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 GOSPEL LESSON: John 17:20-26 (pg. 1084/1646)

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Colossians 3:12-17

(pg. 1184/1792)

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Steal Away” *Catheal Weiser, Scott Schell, and Wayne Harris*

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 1:26-31 (pg. 2)

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

SERMON

You Are What You Love—Makers in Mission

*Rev. David C. Smith*

\*Hymn of Response: 343 “Called as Partners in Christ's Service”

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the Confession of 1967)

 **Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world. The church gathers to praise God, to hear his word for mankind, to baptize and to join in the Lord's Supper, to pray for and present the world to him in worship, to enjoy fellowship, to receive instruction, strength and comfort, to order and organize its own corporate life, to be tested, renewed, and reformed, and to speak and act in the world's affairs as may be appropriate to the needs of the time.**

**The Disciples Give Thanks**

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory “I Asked the Lord” *Catheal, Scott, and Wayne*

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

\*Prayer of Dedication

THE SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS *Bill Schlachter*

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

**We Go Forth To Serve**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*Hymn of Commitment: 392 “Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Holy,Holy,Holy Is the Lord of Hosts” *N. Prince*

\*Please stand, if able

Worship Leaders Pastor: *Rev. David C. Smith*

Greeters: *Bill and Doris Messersmith*

Ushers: *R. McCloskey, R. McCloskey, J. LeCrone*

Liturgist: *Joe LeCrone*

Guest Organist: *Lisa Konkle*

**This Week at MPC**

**Sunday, August 21st**

9:30am Worship Service (S)

11:00am Punch on the Porch

**Monday, August 22nd**  *(Food Pantry/Shep. of the Sts. Delivery)*

8:30am Prayer Group (MCEC)

1:00pm-4:00pm Presbytery Continuing Ed. (FH)

**Tuesday, August 23rd** *(bulletin announcements due)*

**Wednesday, August 24th**

6:00pm Trustee Meeting (MCEC)

**Thursday, August 25th**

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

**Friday, August 26th**

Office Closed

**Saturday, August 27th**

**Sunday, August 28th**

9:30am Worship Service (S)

11:00am Punch on the Porch

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

MCEC – Mendenhall

Last Week’s Attendance: 89

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**Announcements for the week of August 21, 2016**

Welcome to the Montoursville Presbyterian Church

Visitors: Please complete a Visitor Card found I 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

Our nursery staff: Deb Rupert, Mary Strein, Gaetan Casella, and Hannah Shimmel

**The 2016-2017 Sunday School** year will begin Sunday, September 11th. We will also resume our regular Worship Service times of 8:15am and 10:45am.

 **Circle 2 Fundraiser**

Circle 2 is having a Mixed Bag sale until Sunday, September 11th.  Any Circle 2 lady can be contacted if you would like to order. If you have any questions, please see *Dorothy Casella*.

**FISH** parents meeting on Sunday, Sept. 11th immediately after the 10:45 am service.  Please plan to attend the meeting, bring your ideas and we will share our plans for the year.

We look forward to seeing you!

**Volunteers** are needed to type recipes for the Circle 1 Cookbook. If you are interested, please contact *Judy Shimp* at 570-435-0024.

**Thanks to all who helped with VBS. Everyone who contributed to the preparation, planning, helping with the kids, food donations, and driving made the week a success!! We had over 60 kids participate! Thank You!**

We are updating the MPC Phone and Address Directory.

If you have cancelled your home phone and are using your cell phone as your primary contact, let me know if you would like the cell number in the directory. If you have any new information let me know at montourpc@gmail.com. Thanks!

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

August 28 – *Sue Wolfe*

September 4 – *Arlene Smithgall*

**Ushers and Greeters for September 4th**

(9:30am)

Greeters: *Dave and Paula Shimmel*

Ushers: *V. Shearer, G. Conrad, S. Mathias, J. Mathias*

**Ushers and Greeters for September 11th**

(8:15am)

Ushers and Greeters: *Doc and Kay Shearer*

(10:45am)

Greeters: *Dave and Paula Shimmel*

Ushers: *V. Shearer, G. Conrad, S. Mathias, J. Mathias*

**Prayer List**

**Illness, recovery and support:** John Auten, Mary Babcock, Nancy Bergensen, Harriett Bernier, Marge Bieber, Doug Bird, Barb Campbell, Hedi Campbell, Helen Cartwright, Callie Cavanaugh, Diane Chestnut, Mary Christie, Andy Clayton, Sherry Delaney, Derre Family, Audrey Dochter, Joanne Drake, Danny, Jody and Noah Fagnano, Betty Farley, Ramona Fausey, Tad Fiser, Janine Fisher, Bob Folmar, Laurie Fontaine, Tim Garman, Bobby George, Jim Green, Gary Groff, Joan Haas, Michelle Hackenberg, Kenny Harmon, Stacia Hile, Rod Husted, Audrey Keiper, Liese Kimble, Andy and Valerie Kline and family, Pat Korizno, LeMerre family, Marrell family, Hazel McGuinness, Clayton Merrill, Mason Philbin, Buzz and Sandy Platt, Chris Rager, Scott Riley, Marcia Salsbury, Jim Schafer, Doris Shandry, Shirley Shaner, Kay Shearer, Bill Shimmel, Jean Shoup, Clair Springman, Tootie Starr, Elliott Storms, Tom Ulmer, Teri Umstead, Stella Walmer, Marieva Williams

**Joys:** Tom and Sue Ulmer’s 47th anniversary.

Thankful for the musicians on Sunday.

**Military:** Duane (DJ) Burleigh, Ryan Burns, Joe Cardone, Capt. 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

**Others:** Nthemba Church (Sister church in Africa), Ministries of MPC, Peace in the World, Camp Krislund, Children of Flint, Michigan, Japan, Ecuador, Orlando, France, Flight 800 families