

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 22, 2017

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "O God Beyond All Praising"

Charles Callahan

Invocation

Call To Worship

Leader: The Lord is calling, calling you!

People: Lord, help me to go when you call.

Leader: The Lord comes to you so that you may go to others.

People: Lord, help me to recognize my neighbor.

Leader: You know what the Lord requires of you.

People: Lord, help me to remember what is good.

*Hymn: #729 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, you loved us into life. You have never stopped loving us. Because you love us, you have saved us countless times, including from ourselves. Yet we forget your acts of grace. We forget you, in the busyness of our lives, in our quarrels, in our chasing after false treasures. Forgive us, Lord. Love us into life again. Remind us what you desire. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Response: In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Day by Day"

arr. Larry Shakley

Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

(Following this, children may leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Micah 6:1-8 (p. 816)

*Hymn: #70 "What Does the Lord Require of You?"

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:12-23 (p.3)

Sermon: **What is Good**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* Affirmation of Faith - Apostles Creed (p.17)

The Peace of Christ

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory "Psalm"

Gordon Young

*Doxology (page 606)

* Hymn: #721 "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

*Benediction:

Choral Response: "Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you."

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude "He Shall Reign"

Robert Hughes

The End of Worship

The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

As you leave worship, greet all with the Peace of Christ

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of Doris and Lee Brown

Given by their Children & Grandchildren

VISITORS AND MEMBERS: WELCOME! During the offertory, the Friendship Book will be passed from the end of the pew. Please sign it and indicate other information as appropriate. Pass the book back down the pew and notice the names of the other worshippers. Greet one another warmly after the service.

WORSHIP HOUR INFORMATION:

It is an ancient Scottish custom for the pulpit Bible to be brought into the sanctuary and placed by a layperson before the service begins.

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.) - Debbie & Dick Sindall
Next Sunday, January 29 – Katherine Boas & Valerie Ruhl

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: David & Janet Birch

<u>TODAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Service of Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
<u>MONDAY</u>	5:30 p.m.	Audit
		Newsletter Article Due
<u>TUESDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Deacon Meeting
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
<u>THURSDAY</u>	5:30 a.m.	Community Meal

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shared Proportional Giving (per capita) for 2017 is \$35.53. Please use the first envelope in your envelope box for this offering. Thank you.

GIVING STATEMENTS for 2016 are completed and ready for pick up in the Narthex. As always the Trustees are keeping up with the maintenance of the Church as best we can and want to thank you all for your support. Also, **OFFERING ENVELOPES for 2017** are in the Sunday school wing in the first Sunday school room on your left. My apologies for the delay. I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas, and I wish all a joyful New Year. If you see something that needs our attention, please tell the Trustees. David Berkhimer

Leacock Presbyterian Church

First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in 1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.



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We are collecting donations for the **blanket offering** for Church World Service. Please use the envelopes in the pews for your donations and simply place them in the offering plate. Thank you for your support.

Our next **community meal** is **this Thursday, January 26**, 2017 to be held in our Smith Fellowship Hall from 5:30-6:30. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex for food donations and times that help is needed. If you know of anyone who is in need of a good hot meal or some wonderful fellowship, please don't hesitate to invite them to come and join us, not only that Thursday but the last Thursday of every month.