

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 10, 2018

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Make Me Glad"

Miriam Webster

Invocation

**Call To Worship*

Leader: All we have is given by God.

People: Let us then share the gifts we have.

Leader: Let us share our time; let us share our talents.

People: Let us offer them to each other and to the least of our neighbors.

Leader: Let us share our treasure so God's kingdom may grow.

People: Let us always do so freely and joyously.

**Hymn:* #612 "We Praise You, O God"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, we are but strangers passing through your world. What we have is on loan from you. But we forget, Lord. We think it is all ours and we must guard it lest we lose it. Then we do not give as you give. And when gifts are not shared, they cannot grow. Forgive us. Help us to trust in your abundance. Open our hearts to the joy of giving. 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. (p.654)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

(Following this, children may leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People

First Scripture Reading: 1 Chronicles 29:14-18 (p. 368)

**Hymn:* #711 "Lord of All Good"

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:31-41 (p.27)

Sermon: **Freely and Joyously**

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: "As the Deer"

Martin Nystrom

**Hymn:* #716 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

**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." (p.748)

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "Siyahamba"

South African Traditional

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 Paul Bernard
by Shirley Bernard & the family

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.): **NURSERY PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.** Please see an usher if you would like to take your children to the nursery.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: **Arthur Myers**

<u>TODAY</u>	8:00 a.m.	Service of Worship Old Leacock
	9:30 a.m.	Service of Worship Paradise
<u>MONDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting - <i>Postponed</i>
	7:30 p.m.	Softball: Leacock vs. Weaverland#2
<u>THURSDAY</u>	6:00 p.m.	Factory Meal

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome **Renee Mendenhall** to our worship this morning and thank her for her gift of music. A graduate of Pequea Valley High School and Penn State University, Renee is currently training for a career in alternative medicine. She also has earned her master's Degree from Northwestern University.

Join us for a night of **fun, fellowship, and mini golf** on Wednesday, June 27! We will meet at 6:30 at Waters Edge in Bird-in-Hand. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

Take me out to the Ball Game on Wednesday, July 18 to see the Lancaster Barnstormers vs. York Revolution. Tickets are \$12.50, and our Mission Fund will receive \$3.00 for each ticket sold. Come watch Bob Birch throw out the first pitch and hear Sarah Keenan sing "God Bless America" to start the game. For more information, see the sign-up sheet in the narthex

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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