

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

February 2, 2020

Offertory:

“I Saw the Light”

Hank Williams

## *GATHERING*

Announcements and Greeting

*Prelude:* “Wonderful Counselor”

Renee Mendenhall

*Invocation*

\**Call To Worship* (from Micah 6)

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

**People: To do justice.**

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

**People: To love kindness.**

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

**People: To walk humbly with our God.**

\* *Hymn:* #450 “Be Thou My Vision”

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)*

**God of grace, your ways are not our ways. You choose mercy and peace. In your Son, you gave yourself up for others. But in our fear and confusion, too often we follow our ways and not yours. We choose judgment and quarrels. We demand, rather than serve. Forgive us, Lord. In our weakness, make us strong. Fill us with your wisdom. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon*

\***Choral 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*

*Anthem:* “As the Dear”

Martin Nystrom

*Children's Sermon*

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

I saw the light. I saw the light.

No more darkness. No more night.

Now I'm so happy. No sorrow in sight.

Praise the Lord! I saw the light!

\*Doxology (p. 606)

*First Scripture Reading:* 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (p.156)

\*Hymn #754 “Help Us Accept Each Other”

*Second Scripture Reading:* Matthew 5:1-12 (p.4)

Sermon:

**A Different Kind of Strength**

## *RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*It is the practice of Leacock Presbyterian Church to hold the elements so all can commune together.*

\*Affirmation of Faith – Apostles Creed (p.17)

The Peace of Christ

\*Hymn: #372 “O For a World”

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

**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)

Postlude:

“Sparrow”

Audrey Assad and Kyle Lee

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of Raymond & Aleta Herr  
and Janice & Ralph Homsher  
Given by Keo Phongxaysanith

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.

**Please remember to silence your cell phone before the beginning of service.**

**NURSERY** (babies through 4 yrs.) **PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.** Please see an usher if you would like to take your children to the nursery.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER & HELPER**

This Sunday and next Sunday, February 9: Carol & David Berkhimer

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: **Stephan Funk**

**TODAY**

**Souper Bowl Sunday**

9:30 a.m. Worship

10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School

**MONDAY**

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

**WEDNESDAY**

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir

# 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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## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Today** is our annual  
**“Souper Bowl”** Sunday.

It is the one Sunday every year that you can feel free to take all the change from your wallets, pockets, pocketbooks, car ashtrays, piggy banks, jars at home and dump all that change at church.

We will gladly accept dollar bills and checks as well. (If using a check please make it out to

Leacock Presbyterian Church and on the memo line write “Souper Bowl”).

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.