

Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 31, 2021

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: Aria on "For All the Saints" David Cherwien
Invocation

**Call To Worship*

Leader: God is with us.

People: As the Lord is with us, let us be with each other.

Leader: God is with us at our beginnings.

People: In baptism, let us uphold each other.

Leader: God is with us when life shatters.

People: Let us be, let us walk, with each other.

*Hymn: #727 "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" (see download)

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, often we know, we feel, our need, while we miss the need of a sister, a brother. When it seems is a choice between us and an other, we may rush to choose only ourselves. Help us to put aside the fear that blocks care. Help us to risk love. Help us to trust that we can find ourselves in giving ourselves. 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. (#654)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: Meditation on "Rustington" - Out of Deep, Unordered Water
Based on hymn 484

"There is water in the river bringing life to tree and plant.
Let creation praise its giver; there is water in the font."

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

*Hymn: #324 "For All the Faithful Women"(to the tune of #724) (see download)

Scripture Reading: Ruth 1:1-18

Sermon: **The Leap of the Heart**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Baptism of Austin Miles Funk, son of Steve and Jayme Funk

*Affirmation of Faith – Apostles Creed

The Peace of Christ

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

*Hymn: #482 "Baptized in Water" (see download)

*Benediction

Silent Prayer

Postlude: "A Mighty Fortress" Mary McDonald

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK:

Donald & Betty Clark

*****Peanut Butter Bonbons*****

We will be making peanut butter bonbons on **Monday, November 8** at 10 a.m. and on **November 29**. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you would like to help make them or donate supplies. There is also a sign-up sheet to order bonbons. You will be able to pick them up here at the church, or you can buy them at Loretta McClarigan's shop. We will have milk chocolate, dark chocolate, or mixed at a cost of \$6.50 per container.



Toys for Tots

The Toys for Tots box is in the narthex until the middle of December. Please give as you want, but we are in need of gifts for *six- to eight-year-old* boys and girls. Last season we gave to over 5,000 children. If it wasn't for Toys for Tots, there would be children who receive nothing for Christmas. There is much need in Lancaster County. Thanks ahead of time for your help!

Dave Berkheimer

If you would like to purchase flowers for the sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone or a special occasion **November 14** is available. Please call the church office **717-687-6619**.



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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