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Pentecost

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Please remember to turn off your cell phones during the Worship Service. Thank you.

Preparation Music

(Please be seated and prepare yourself for worship)

The Entrance of the Light

Welcome

Moments of Concerns and Announcements

*Ringing of the Bell

*Gathering Music

All: Let it breathe on me, let it breathe on me,

Let the breath of the Spi-rit breath on me.

Let it breathe on me, let it breath on me,

Let the breath of God now breathe on me.

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn: # 286 "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" Verses 1, 2

Reading of Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

Call to Reconciliation

Reconciliation Prayer

All: Ever-faithful God, Jesus tells us that if we believe, we will do great work. But what have we truly done for you? We know the Spirit to be our Advocate with you, but do we serve as advocates for others? Where is the evidence of the gift of the Spirit in our lives? Forgive us for claiming your Spirit but not sharing that Spirit with those around us. Forgive us for not asking more of what you have promised to give so that we might be agents of grace in the world. Give us new hearts to serve you and strength to do your work. Amen.

Silent Confession

Kyrie # 750

All: Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

*Act of Praise..... #760
(Please stand)

All: Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen we praise your name, O God! (Sing Amen)

Amen, Amen! Amen, Amen!

Amen we praise your name, O God!

*The Passing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Please share a greeting of Christian love with those sitting around you.

Children's Time: "Remembering"

(Children in Kindergarten and younger may go to the nursery)

Memorial Day Prayer

Anthem: "Proud to Be an American"

Sermon: "Amazing"

***Hymn: # 286 "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" verses 3, 4**

Our Morning Prayers

The Candle of Remembrance is lit in honor of and in memory of all of our veterans who entered into eternal life, and as a prayer for all military personnel and first responders, especially those in harm's way.

Call to Prayer "Pray"

Pray___, pray___, pray___ for peace within our world_____.

Pray___, pray___, pray___ for peace within our souls_____.

Pray___, pray___, pray___ for love and unity_____;

Quiet our busy hearts, Pray___, pray___, pray___ .

Pray___, pray___, pray___

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer,

Prayer of Our Savior (spoken)

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom,

and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Our Time of Sharing

Invitation to the Offering, The Sharing of Gifts

Offering Music

*Offertory Response "We Are Giving in the Light of God" (526)

All: We are giving in the light of God,

We are giving in the light of God (Repeat previous 2 lines)

We are giving, giving, we are giving, Oo,

We are giving in the light of God (Repeat previous 2 lines)

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn #610 "My Eyes Have Seen the Glory" Verses 1, 2, 3**

*The Benediction

***Benediction Response**

All: While I'm work-ing, God, in your vineyard here

I can-not serve with-out you near;

O come, bless-ed Spi-rit, so close to me

That I may feel you breathe on me.

*Postlude

Stephanie Cherep is participating in today's service.

The Congregation.....Disciples of Christ

Rev. Meredith Ann Hutchison.....Pastor

Irina Thomas.....Organist and Keyboard

Kelly MillarChoir Director

Rheba Salac.....Administrative Assistant

Wade Anderson.....Sexton

Did you know that today is "Strengthen the Church Sunday"?

This special offering is used for programs of renewal within the UCC. 50% is retained by the Penn West Conference and the remaining 50% is forwarded to the national setting. This coming week, Meredith will be attending the Penn West Conference Annual meeting. The

Rev. David Schoen from the national office of the United Church of Christ will speak about the **New Beginnings** program. It is described on the next page.



New Beginnings

If your congregation can answer "yes" to three or more of the following, it may be time for a New Beginning:

- Less than 70 in worship, or more than 70 in worship but significant decline for a decade.
- Wrestling with future vision for the church.
- Significant building issues.
- Aging membership
- Changing neighborhood
- Trouble paying bills and/or paying off a loan.
- Currently in interim time of transition.

With New Beginnings, your congregation will:

- Receive a comprehensive report of strengths and challenges, as well as a realistic picture of possible future directions.
- Be trained in a discernment process to follow God's lead in choosing a new direction.
- Discover available ministry opportunities in the community.
- Learn how to discuss and implement change in a healthy, open manner.
- Leaders receive additional training on leading through change.
- Set a course for future strategic and visionary ministry planning.

This week:

Monday-Memorial Day (office closed) There is a service of remembrance at Woodlawn (Denmark Manor) Cemetery about noon. Names of the veterans who are laid to rest in this cemetery are read.)

Tuesday-Office Hours 9:00AM-3:00PM Pastor Meredith will NOT be in but Rheba will be.

Wednesday-Pastoral Relations Committee 7:00PM

Thursday-Regular office hours-9:00AM-3:00PM
There is NO Choir rehearsal this week.

Friday and Saturday-Pastor Meredith will be at Pitt in Johnstown for the Penn West Conference Annual Meeting.
THERE IS NO BIBLE STUDY ON SATURDAY.

Attendance for May 17: 57

Offering for May 17: \$2,010.00

Denmark Manor Hoss's Day: \$153.56

Woodlawn Cemetery Meetings: \$250.00

Nepal Earthquake Relief: \$500.00 from the Mixed Class

Special Kitchen Items Sale on Sunday, June 7: The Women's Fellowship works to raise funds for a variety of projects here at Denmark Manor. Beside the money they make at their bake sales held at each of our dinners, the Women's Fellowship has available selected Rada Cutlery and dish cloths that you can purchase at any time. To help everyone become more familiar with these products, Women's Fellowship will hold a special sale after church on Sunday, June 7th.

Items available will include; various knives, vegetable peelers, spatulas, and dish cloths. Please take time on June 7th to look at these items and update your kitchen collection while supporting our church.

Thanks to our Veterans

As the nation celebrates the Memorial Day holiday, many pastors of the United Church of Christ and their congregations take some time Sunday to commemorate the work and sacrifice of the men and women in the United States military.

The UCC has 45 chaplains on active duty, in the National Guard and with the U.S. Army Reserves. There are also five seminarians preparing for military chaplaincy in the Army and Navy, and there two UCC chaplains deployed to

Afghanistan and two on assignment in Europe. While the UCC ordains those chaplains, they are able to pastor to a variety of faiths within their military unit, while also conducting themselves as commissioned officers. *Written by Anthony Moujaes (<http://www.ucc.org/memorial-day-05242013>)*



Sunrise over the USS Arizona, Pearl Harbor