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Second Sunday after Pentecost

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: # 547 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"
verses 1,2,3

Reading of Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Call to Reconciliation

Reconciliation Prayer

All: We come humbly before you, O Lord, confessing that we need spiritual renewal.

Men: Putting Band-Aids on the sins of our spirits will not do, Lord.

Women: We know that we need a thorough overhaul, a total reconstruction of our spirits that once came so fresh from your creative hand.

Men: Our minds need adjusting that they may be more in tune with the truths that come from you.

Women: Our emotions need to be fine-tuned that they may repel anger and resonate with kindness.

Men: Our hearts need to throb with sincere caring and love for all of your children of whatever age, race, gender, orientation or social standing.

Women: Our hands and feet need to be guided into your service, O God that we may work to solve earth's problems rather than be the creators of them.

All: In short, we need total renewal, O God, and only you can adequately give us this blessing. Therefore we await the ministry of your Holy Spirit. 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: "Jesus' Table is Set"

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

Sermon: "Healing from the Inside Out"

***Hymn: #433 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"**

Our Morning Prayers

The Candle of Remembrance is lit in honor of Veteran Nate Garland, 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

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (Children are welcome to receive Communion at the discretion of their parents. Gluten free wafers are found in the center of the plates of bread.)

The Invitation

The Communion Prayer

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: O Holy One, there are no words to describe the mystery of this bread and cup. There are no sighs to deep to reveal what we feel in sharing in this feast. Thank you for gathering us together to remember that you are always present among us. We lift our hearts as we praise the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

***Hymn # 547 “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”
verses 4-5**

*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

Hanna Miller 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

Today: the Women of the Choir will rehearse “The Gift of Love” for our Father’s Day presentation after Worship today. All women are most welcome to participate in the rehearsal!

Today is the Special Kitchen Items Sale!

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 is holding a special sale after Worship today. Items include: various knives, vegetable peelers, spatulas, and dish cloths to update your kitchen.

This week:

Monday-Christian Education Committee 7:30PM
Saturday-Bible Study at Murrysville Panera 9:00AM



Next Sunday is Graduation Sunday - If you know of any graduates, please let Pastor Meredith know today!

Did you know that if you are going away for the summer you can either make your offering to the continuing ministries of the Denmark Manor United Church of Christ in advance, or send it in to the church office? Our address is 2003 Denmark Manor Rd., Export, PA 15632. Remember, **God never takes a vacation.**

June 28 is our Church Picnic. The picnic follows the worship service in our newly renovated pavilion. The picnic follows the worship service. There will be food, fun and prizes. Please bring a main dish, salad or dessert to share. Anyone wanting to make Gift Basket(s) or donate items that can be used for prizes, please see Myrt Driscoll.

Strawberry Festival and Luncheon is Today, June 7th

11:30am - 2:00pm, (724-744-2731) at First United Church of Christ, 1008 Harrison City/Export Road, Harrison City
Menu: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Bar B’Ques, Macaroni Salad, Potato Salad, Assorted Jello Salads, Coffee, Tea, and Lemonade.
Strawberry Shortcake with Soft-Serve Ice Cream for dessert, and Strawberry Sundaes. \$7.00-Lunch, Beverage, and Dessert
\$4.00-Beverage and Dessert Only

Our Consistory will be purchasing a new “**Stillspeaking Sign**” to replace the worn sign at the steps leading to the Sanctuary. Contributions toward the purchase of the sign would be greatly appreciated.

Attendance for May 31: 61
Offering for May 31: \$2,948.00
Strengthen the Church: \$95.00

St. Paul Continuing Care Homes and the United Church of Christ



St. Paul Homes has been serving the needs of residents of western Pennsylvania for 136 years.

Originally created in 1867 in Butler, Pennsylvania to provide care for orphans of the Civil War, St. Paul Homes moved to Greenville nearly a century ago.

The mission of St. Paul Homes, formed and sustained by the Judeo-Christian faith and historically related to the United Church of Christ, is to provide meaning, richness of life and health care services for those aging people who seek our facility in their retirement years. You can contribute to St. Paul Homes and their care of the elderly on months having a 5th Sunday. Because our Strengthen the Church giving coincided with St. Paul's Sunday at the end of May, we've included the envelope for St. Paul's here today. ***Thank you for making DMUCC a Builder's Club Church!***

Help is Needed! Our Denmark Church Funeral Luncheon preparation is a ministry of consolation and compassion at times when the grief of loved ones is often inconsolable. If one or more in our Congregation would be willing to make phone calls and organize the Kitchen and Fellowship Hall table settings, the women of our Church are most generous with excellent homemade food of all varieties. We continue to extend our extravagant welcome, especially in times of loss.

From the Stillspeaking Devotional of the United Church of Christ

Storage

Moses said to the Israelites: 'Gather as much manna as each of you needs, an omer to a person.' The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. Moses said to them, 'Let no one leave any manna over until morning.' But they did not listen to Moses; some kept part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul." - Exodus 16:15-20

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With all the manna popping up among the desert-wandering Israelites, it was only a matter of time before the hoarding set in. Some took more than they needed while others had less.

But God was one step ahead of them, creating a foodstuff with no shelf life or storage potential. That way, the people would depend on God each day and there would be enough for everyone.

Our next move was to invent things like refrigerators and electronic banking to preserve and protect our manna.

And storage units. According to the Self-storage Association of America, our country boasts 2.3 billion square feet of self-storage space and growing. That's more than enough space for every person in the United States to stand, all at once, under the combined canopy of storage roofing.

Although we have innumerable ways to stockpile our manna, we can't stop the decay to the body and soul of humanity. We live in a wilderness created by our own hungry dash for easy dough, energized and justified by a Darwinist "survival of the financially fittest" ethic. That's why 10% of the world now controls almost 90% of the wealth. Click here for a telling graphic on how the manna is divvied up today.

We have yet to learn the lessons of our ancestors in the desert: Trust God every day; take only what you need; God has provided enough for all. There is still time, and space, to make it happen.

Prayer . . . God, I have more than my share. Grant me the courage to unburden my life, the grace to renew my soul and the faith to advocate for your vision of shalom.

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