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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2017

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

*Ringing of the Bell

Introit *

All: It only takes a spark to get a fire going,

And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing.

That's how it is with God's love once you've experienced it;

You spread his love to everyone; you want to pass it on.

*Opening Prayer

***Hymn "Open My Eyes, That I May See" ***

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1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see Glimps-es of truth Thou hast for me;
2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear Voi - ces of truth Thou send-est clear;
3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear Glad - ly the warm truth ev-'ry-where;

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"Open My Eyes, That I May See" continued

Place in my hands the won-der-ful key That shall un-clasp, and set me free.
And while the wave-notes fall on my ear, Ev - 'ry-thing false will dis - ap-pear.
O - pen my heart, and let me pre-pare Love with Thy chil-dren thus to share.

Si - lent - ly now I wait for Thee, Read-y, my God, Thy will to see;
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Si - lent - ly now I wait for Thee, Read-y, my God, Thy will to see;

O - pen my eyes, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
O - pen my heart, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine! A - MEN.

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 15:21-28

Call to Reconciliation

Payer of Reconciliation

All: We have strayed from you, God of creation and God of grace.

We have not loved you with all our being and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

- **We have not followed your gracious teachings;**
- **we have ignored your prophets;**
- **we have wandered after the imaginings of our own hearts.**
- **We have found our lives desolate and lonely without you.**

Welcome us back into your presence and claim us as your own children. Amen.

A Moment of Silent Reflection

Kyrie # 750

**All: Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.**

Words of Assurance

Pastor: God has reconciled us through the love and sacrifice of Jesus Christ. There is nothing that can separate us from the love of God given in Jesus Christ. In the name of Jesus, we are forgiven and reconciled to God. Thanks be to God.

*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.

A Time for Children: “Praying to God”

Sermon: “Great Faith”

***Hymn #461 “Let Us Hope when Hope Seems Hopeless”**

Our Morning Prayers

The Candle of Remembrance is lit in hope that the Holy Spirit would bring peace to the world. In lighting it we remember all past and present military personnel and first responders, especially those in harm’s way.

Call to Prayer “Pray”

**All: 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 #436 “God of Grace and God of Glory”**

*The Benediction

*Benediction Response *

**All: I wish for you my friend, this happiness that I've found.
You can depend on him, it matters not where you're bound
I'll shout it from the mountaintop-I want the world to know;
The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.**

Carrying the light into the world.

*Postlude

Denmark Manor seeks the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as we work together through.....

The Congregation..... Disciples of Christ
Rev. Meredith Ann Hutchison..... Pastor
Irina Thomas..... Organist and Keyboard
Rheba Salac..... Administrative Assistant
Wade Anderson..... Sexton
Allen Latherow..... Acolyte and Bell Ringer
Doreen and Brad Cherep Today's Readers

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Did you know that thanks to your generosity we have helped to alleviate the diaper emergency in Westmoreland County? Thanks to all who contributed! The diapers have been delivered to the Westmoreland County Children's Bureau.

This week: Saturday-Bible Study at the Murrysville Panera 9:00AM

Next Sunday we will have special trumpet music by Dave Conner and Steve Sturgeon.

Looking ahead:



We will return to our 11:00AM worship hour on September 3.

Attendance for August 13: 52

Offering for August 13: \$2,485.00
Building: \$50.00
Music: \$100.00



There will be a congregational meeting on September 24 immediately following worship to vote on changes in our bylaws. The Consistory has proposed that we change the number of Elders from 3 to 2 and the number of Trustees from 3 to 2 with a two-year instead of a three-year term. We will continue to have 4 Deacons for a two-year term. We are making these changes to adapt to the smaller size of our congregation and to help the nominating committee find people who will commit to serve. Copies of the constitution and bylaws with the changes are in your mailboxes and on the back table in the sanctuary. Please take the time to read them and attend the meeting on September 24. We welcome visitors to this meeting, but only members can vote.

- The CROP Walk is October 15 at Bushy Run Battlefield at 2:00PM.
- The Ham Dinner is October 21.



Our on-line directory is now available on your computer or phone. Only members of the church can

access the directory. For computer access go to: www.InstantChurchDirectory.com. The app is called InstantChurchDirectory. Please let the office know if there are any errors or changes, and if you don't have internet or phone access to it, we will provide a paper copy. For updates and corrections call 724-744-4218 Monday or Thursday from 9:00AM-3:00PM or email the office at DenmarkManorUCC@outlook.com.

To Our Church Family at Denmark Manor United Church of Christ,



We send our deepest gratitude for all your thoughts, prayers, and the funeral lunch given by the Women's Fellowship and volunteers.

The Family of Ethel Hill



We remember the Family of Mickey (Millicent) Brendlinger, who entered Eternal Life on August 8th.