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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 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: "Come into His Presence" *

First Time Choir. 2nd Time All Join in

Come into his presence with thanksgiving in your heart.

And give him praise, And give him praise.

Come into his presence with thanksgiving in your heart,

Your voices raise, Your voices raise.

Give glory and honor and power unto him.

Jesus, the name above all names.

*Opening Prayer

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

Scripture Lesson: Exodus 14:19-31

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Reconciliation

All: Lord, we confess that we don't always turn to you in our troubles.

Sometimes we are paralyzed by fear and anxiety. We cannot see "the light at the end of the tunnel". For us, there is only the ongoing darkness and hopelessness. Clear our sight, O Lord. Bind up our wounded spirits!

Fill us with your mercy and love.

- Forgive us when we stray;
- when we fear;
- when we falter.

Pick us up and place us on pathways of peace and hope, for we ask this in Jesus' Name. 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: No matter what befalls us, the Lord walks with us on the path, bringing us courage and hope. No matter what, we belong to the Lord, now and forever. Amen

*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: "Let My People Go"

Anthem: "Shepherd of the Lord"

Sermon: "See What the Lord Will Accomplish"

***Hymn #572 "When Israel Was in Egypt's Land"**

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" Verses 1, 2, 4,**
(omit verse 3 & 5)

*The Benediction

***Benediction Response #82 Verse 1**

All: Go, my children with my blessing
Never alone.
Waking, sleeping I am with you,
You are my own.
In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go my children, with my blessing,
You are my own.

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
Joyfa Kelly..... Today's Reader

Today after Worship, the Bible Study Group will meet at Hoss's in Murrysville.

Did you know that today we are receiving an offering in response to Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, to help the Disaster Relief Ministries of the United Church of Christ? The UCC Partners with other relief organizations who work in the short term, as we help people rebuild over the long term. You will be meeting the unique needs of vulnerable individuals and families by filling gaps in services through the following provisions:



- Spiritual care
- Community organizing
- Repair and reconstruction of homes
- Tools
- Building materials
- Volunteer coordination

Also: Volunteers around the country are needed in the months and years ahead. Individuals to be trained and serve for periods of 6-12 months will be needed for leadership. Groups will be needed to rebuild homes and walk with people as they recover their lives and dreams. Speak with Pastor Meredith to learn more about the how to volunteer through the United Church of Christ.



There are envelopes marked for Hurricane Relief on the rear table in the Sanctuary and in bulletins throughout September because of the ongoing devastation.



The CROP Hunger Walk is October 15 at Bushy Run Battlefield. Registration begins at 1:30 with the Walk starting at 2:00. Registration forms and collection envelopes are available today.

This week:

Thursday-Worship Team 6:30

Choir 7:00

Saturday-Bible Study at Murrysville Panera 9:00AM



Next Sunday, September 24, there will be a Congregational Meeting, immediately following worship. This meeting is called 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. The Deacons will remain at 4 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 were put 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.

Looking ahead:

The CROP Hunger Walk is October 15.

The Ham Dinner is October 21. Please remember that we will need pie donations! Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$6 for children 6-12 (5 and under are free). If anyone needs tickets for friends, relatives or neighbors or is interested in selling, please let Rheba know; just call the office at 724-744-4218. We will get the tickets to you.

Attendance for September 10: 51

Offering for September 10: \$1,539.00

Hurricane Disaster Relief: \$695.00



“God is still speaking . . .”