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August 21, 2016

14th Sunday after Pentecost

WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Kyle Bryan

10:45 – Tracy Hawley

Memory Verse for August

1 John 4:4 – “Greater is He who is in me than he who is in this world.”

GATHERING & WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Please pass the Peace of Christ to your neighbor.

MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

MUSIC OF PREPARATION “Spirit of the Living God”

***CALL TO WORSHIP No 787 Psalm 62:5-12**

L: For God alone my soul waits in silence,

P: ... for my hope is from God, who alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

L: On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

P: Trust in God at all times, O people; pour out your heart before God who is a refuge for us.

L: Those of low estate are but a breath, those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath.

P: Put no confidence in extortion, set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, set not your heart on them.

L: Once God has spoken, twice have I heard this: power belongs to God;

P: ... and to you O Lord, belongs steadfast love, for you repay all according to their work.

***UNISON PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, you are the vine and we are the branches. Apart from you we can do nothing. Fill us with your Spirit so that your will may be done in us and through us for your glory. Amen

***HYMN OF PRAISE No. 334 “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”**

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be sent to the Eastbrook Mission Barn – Flood Buckets. Please see the announcement for more details.)

ANTHEM “Let Your Holy Rain Fall Down” – Kelly Smith

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “There's Not a Friend”

***DOXOLOGY**

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

Holy God, we rejoice in your loving kindness! You create us in your image with unique gifts, so that we may love and serve you in our distinctive ways. Thank you for guiding us continually as we seek to follow Christ, your Son. Empower our congregation by your Spirit to show and tell your good news of salvation to our neighbors. Use these offerings to bless all whose lives are touched by the ministries of this church. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 347 “Spirit Song”

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER *The Altar is open during this time.*

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. AMEN

SERMON SCRIPTURE John 14:15-17, 26

SERMON “Power from On High”

***HYMN OF PARTING No. 2241** “The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING** “Festive Piece”

The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit

***Those who are able, please stand**

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday Worship – 24 Sunday 8:15 – 51 10:45 – 77

SERVING YOU SUNDAY, August 21st

GREETERS: 8:15 – Mike, Cheryl & Jason Kirsch
10:45 – Dot Depp & Donna Weber

USHERS TEAMS: 8:15 – Men’s Group 10:45 – Lou Berta

SOUND TEAM: 8:15 – Fritz Runser 10:45 – Josh Burger, Penny Brant

NURSERY: Our Child Care Center (birth through age 5) will be open today during the 10:45 service. Our attendants today will be Kathy & Alyssa Wagner.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The altar flowers this morning are presented in memory of Irene Hayes McCune by her daughters, Mary Lou McCune Fry and Carole Sue McCune Minerva

Altar Flowers - If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers for Sunday services, please fill out an 'Altar Flower' order form found in the Narthex or contact Alice Hubert (724-863-3901.) The flowers are \$25.00 per arrangement.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Office - 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM Monday thru Thursday & 8:00 AM – Noon on Friday

Pastor Bruce – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at preacherptl@gmail.com

Today, Sunday, August 21

Blessing of the Back Packs

8:00 Prayer Time

8:15 Worship

10:45 Worship

2:00 FISH & CHIPS

Monday, August 22

Newsletter Deadline

1st day of school for Norwin

6:30 Grief Support

Tuesday, August 23

6:15 TOPS

7:30 NA

Wednesday, August 24

1st day of school for Greensburg Salem

Thursday, August 25

1st day of school for Jeannette & Hempfield

Saturday, August 27

6:00 Alternative Worship

Next Sunday, August 28

8:00 Prayer Time

8:15 Worship

10:45 Worship

2:00 FISH & CHIPS

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: The deadline for the September Newsletter is tomorrow, August 22nd. Please email your information to fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net or provide a paper copy to the office. Any information not received by August 22nd will be published in the October Newsletter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S COLLECTIONS: With all the recent flooding, the Children's Collection today will be given to The Eastbrook Mission Barn for Flood Buckets. The Eastbrook Mission Barn which is one of six UMCOR Relief Supply Network depots across the United States. In 2000, Eastbrook United Methodist Church acquired a former dairy barn as part of its purchase of a new parsonage. In 2008, the church began using the heated office space to store UMCOR cleaning buckets. Today, it is dedicated to storing relief supplies year-round, as well as to providing a work space for volunteers. With help from our donations, the Mission Barn will provide Flood Buckets to help in the clean-up efforts.

"Faith in Action"

8/4 - \$194.00

8/14 - \$90.54

If you have a suggestion for a mission we can support through our Children's Collections, please contact the church office.

CAUTION! CAUTION! CAUTION! Please use caution when turning breakers on and off in the circuit boxes. **DO NOT TOUCH BREAKERS UNDER PLASTIC COVERS OR TAPE.** Breakers covered with plastic covers or tape **MUST** be kept in the position they are in.

Recently our food bank lost several hundred dollars worth of meat and perishable items because the wrong breaker was turned off and the freezer defrosted. Please ask for instructions on which circuit breakers to use when you are reserving the building.

Some tips to remember:

Electric:

1. Youth should never be permitted to touch the circuit boxes.
2. The humidity greatly affects the light switches in our building. If a light doesn't come on the first time don't assume it is the circuit breaker. Flick the switch several times and it will usually come on.

Elevators:

1. Please do not turn the keys at the elevator doors or inside the elevator. The keys must stay in the horizontal position for the elevator to run. Remember – it may take several minutes for the elevator to get to your floor.
2. Always make sure the sliding doors on the elevator are shut tight. If the elevator won't move, open and close the doors again.

THE GLASS PARKING LOT DOORS: We are having trouble with the glass doors at the parking lot. If the panic bar (which is normally down) is in the raised position, the door is locked and the security codes will not work. The door must be opened with a key. All staff members have a key to the building. A repairman has been called and we hope this situation will be resolved soon.

FROM THE NURTURE COMMITTEE

THE WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY that meets on Wednesday evenings starting in the fall is in need of a leader. This person is responsible for picking out the study, notifying the members of when we will meet and other group needs, lead the group in discussion, and be excited to do so!! Please contact Becky Platt at 412-816-1906 if interested or you have any questions.

GREAT NEED IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT!!!!

We are in need of a Junior High teacher for the fall. Please contact Eric or Becky Platt at 412-816-1906 if you are interested or have questions. Sunday School starts on September 11th and the times are 9:30 AM-10:30 AM. Please give this prayerful consideration and if you are not interested please still pray for the right person to step forward and take this class on.



Come join the fun!

Today! Pastor Bruce will bless the back packs and ask God's guidance for a great school year.



The first day of school:
Norwin - Monday, August 22
Greensburg Salem - Wednesday, August 24
Jeannette - Thursday, August 25
Hempfield - Thursday, August 25
Yough - Monday, August 29
Penn Trafford - Monday, August 29

“RIGHT NOW MEDIA” BIBLE STUDIES: Pastor Bruce is offering all the members of our congregation an opportunity to further their Bible knowledge by participating in one of the online Bible studies offered through “RightNow Media.” To participate in any of these studies, you need to email the church office at fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net with your request. The office will place your email address on the list of participants and give you instructions on how to log onto the account.

MEMBERSHIP AUDIT: Thank you to everyone who gave us corrected information. Our new pictorial directories will be printed shortly.

Thank you to everyone who has joined our Visitation Team. It’s not too late for you to join, too! Just contact Pastor Bruce to see how you can help.

Also, if you know of someone who would benefit from a visit by Pastor Bruce and/or our Visitation Team please contact Pastor Bruce or the church office.



Pancake Breakfast

Come hungry to church on September 11th. We will be having our annual pancake breakfast to help kick off the start of Sunday School. We will start serving around 8:45 - plenty of time to enjoy a great meal and still make it to Sunday School on time. And we will keep flipping pancakes until around 10:15 so you can have a meal before the second service. Hope to see you all there!
