

October 22, 2023

11:00 AM

Patti Reep, Organist

Deborah Snyder, Choir Director
& Pianist

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS: Exodus 33:12-23
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Matthew 22:15-22

SERMON *Rev. Stephanie Geidel Weaver*

PRELUDE

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Traditional) Pg. 14 PH

CALL TO WORSHIP

All good gifts come from God, and we delight in them.

God's gifts are ours to use – to steward faithfully as stewards of the mysteries of faith.

Let us bring forth all that we are to offer to our Creator!

We come with joy to offer our lives anew!

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER Pg. 16 PH

MORNING PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

* OFFERTORY

* THE DOXOLOGY #592 PH

* Hymn of Praise #428 PH "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Thank you, God, for the generosity that enables us to share. We are rich in many things. Help us to empty ourselves of pretense, even as we pour out gifts of gratitude. We dedicate our offerings and ourselves to shaping the community you intend, in the spirit of Christ.

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not given you the things that are yours. We quibble over technicalities and argue over questions that do not lead us to love you, ourselves, or our neighbors well. We ignore your goodness that is all around us, and we do not allow ourselves to be filled with the Spirit who empowers us to live as people who glorify you. We do not recognize your holy touch in the world around us, and we neglect our responsibility to treat all things and all people as sacred. Forgive us, we pray, and free us to live in love and peace with you, with ourselves, with our neighbors, and with all creation. Amen.

* Closing Hymn #369 PH "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* BENEDICTION

Go now as those who have found favor in the sight of God. Be imitators of Jesus Christ and an example to all of the life of faith. To the world in which you live, give your love and service, and to God, give all that you are and all that you shall be. And may the glory of God's goodness be revealed to you; May the grace and peace of Jesus Christ take root in you; And may the inspiration of the Holy Spirit fill you with joy. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,
In the name of Christ. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI #579 PH

* Response "Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart"

* Passing of the Peace.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also, with you.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart; Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart, And whatever you do, in word or deed, Do it all in the name of the Lord.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

* POSTLUDE

CHOIR ANTHEM "Seek the Lord"

* Congregation please stand if you are able.

PH - Presbyterian Hymnal (Blue), CLH - Christian Life Hymnal (Red)
Visitors, please sign our guest book located in the vestibule.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School – Sundays at 9:45-10:30am.

Choir Practice – Sundays at 10:30am in the rehearsal room.

Children's Sunday School – First Sunday of each month following the Children's Sermon in the rehearsal room.

Trunk or Treat – Will be held and hosted by the Deacons in the church parking lot on Wednesday, October 25th from 6-8pm. You may decorate your trunk, table or just hand out candy to the children. Please consider participating in this worthwhile community event!

Worship Committee Meeting – Sunday, October 29th following worship.

Communion – October 29th at 11:00am.

Congregational Meeting & Potluck Dinner – Sunday, November 5th following worship. Please bring your favorite casserole to share.

Military Appreciation Day – Sunday, November 5th. There will be a table set up in the back for you to bring in pictures and memorabilia to honor your loved ones who served in the military. Please include a card with a brief description of what you've brought in.

Deacons Meeting – Monday, Nov. 6th at 6:30pm.

Preaching this month: Today - Rev. Stephanie Geidel Weaver
Oct. 29 – Rev. Dennis Molnar
Nov. 5 - Rev. Lisa Lyon
Nov. 12 – Rev. Steve Rigatti

New Members Class - Anyone interested in joining the church see Deb Snyder.

Eyeglass Collection - The Worship Committee will be collecting old eyeglasses over the next few months to send to Uganda. If you have any to donate, please leave them in the basket located in the back of the church.

Bulletin Announcements – Please notify Jan Cannon by calling or texting at 724-494-9382 or by email at djccannon@yahoo.com.

Online giving is here! Go to www.cowansvillechurch.org and click on ONLINE GIVING the GIVE NOW from your PC or download the app for mobile giving.

The offering plate is located on the table in the back of the church, you may leave your offering there.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Oct. 23 - Randy & Deanna Jack

Oct. 27 - Junior & Barb Patton

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