

January 26, 2025

11:00 AM

Guest Ministers, Rev. Bill & Mary King

Patti Reep, Organist

Deborah Snyder, Pianist
& Choir Director

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us!

God has anointed us to bring good news to the poor,

To proclaim freedom for the prisoners

and recovery of sight for the blind,

to set the oppressed free.

Let us worship the God of justice and peace!

MORNING PRAYER

* Hymn of Praise ## 11 Red SS “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we do not understand Jesus, the prophet. We do not want to get our hands dirty with the poor, the oppressed, the prisoners. Forgive us for being insulated and isolated. Open our hearts to the poor and help us to love them as you love them, working to bring in the good news of the reign of God. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

* SILENT CONFESSION

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* GLORIA PATRI #579 PH

* Passing of the Peace.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also, with you.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING: I Kings 17: 8-16

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 4: 14-30

SERMON “*Set the Mousetrap and Fight the Dragon*”

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles’ Creed (Traditional) Pg. 14 PH

* Hymn #408 PH “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER pg. 16 PH

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

* THE DOXOLOGY #592 PH

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving God, as Jesus proclaimed good news to the poor and freedom for the oppressed, we offer these gifts with hearts open to your mission of justice and mercy. May our collective giving result in healing, hope, and restoration to those in need. Our giving is a faithful response to the Spirit of the Lord that is upon us. All praise to you! Amen.

* Closing Hymn #421 PH “The Church of Christ in Every Age”

* BENECTION

* Response #277 CLH “Oh How He Loves You and Me” *Verse 1*

O how He loves you and me. O how he loves you and me; He gave His life, what more could He give? O how He loves you; O how He loves me; O how He loves you and me!

* POSTLUDE

* Congregation please stand if you are able.

PH - Presbyterian Hymnal (Blue), CLH - Christian Life Hymnal (Red)

We welcome all visitors worshiping with us today! Please sign our guest book located in the vestibule.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Dennis Molnar can be reached by calling/texting 412-389-6844 or by e-mail at molnarzoo@verizon.net if you have a pastoral concern or question.

Children and Family Events - There are no scheduled events for a couple weeks but we will keep you posted on the upcoming programs.

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

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

Worship Committee Meeting –Today following worship.

Deacons Meeting – Sunday, February 2nd following worship.

Deacon's Souper Bowl Soup Sale – Sunday, February 9th following worship.

There is sign-up sheet for anyone wishing to participate in making soup. See any Deacon to provide you with the quart containers. Soup Sales are by donation only.

Session Meeting – Monday, February 10th at 7:00pm. Please have you session reports in by Tuesday, February 4th to Deb Snyder.

Noisy Offering - The session voted to have a Noisy Offering from Sunday, January 26th to February 23rd to support the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance efforts to help with the impact of the California Wildfires. The children will gather the loose change during the time of offering each week. 19th. If you like to help further you may donate cash or checks, please designate to the PDA.

Congregational Meeting - The Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 2nd for the purpose of receiving the annual reports and sharing information about the ministry and mission efforts for 2025. Reports and information should be submitted to Deb Snyder by January 26th.

Offering envelopes – If you are in need of a new box of offering envelopes, please let Pat Boltz or Jan Cannon know.

Food Cupboard - As we move into the month of February we are highlighting proteins for the Food Pantry. Items like canned chicken, peanut butter, canned tuna, nuts, beans, legumes, and powdered milk are all good choices to donate. Thank you for your continued donations to the outreach efforts of the Food Pantry.

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

Eyeglass Collection -The Worship Committee will be collecting old eyeglasses and non-prescription sunglasses 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.

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jan. 27– Matthew Geidel

- Mary Jo Fiscus

- Jeffrey Patton

Jan. 28 – Scott Shepard

Jan. 29 – Kara Elder

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Feb. 1 – Doug & Jan Cannon

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