

Linway United Presbyterian Church
August 16, 2020 9:15 a.m. Bulletin for Worship

Prelude

Nancy Kelley, Organist

Greeting and Announcements

Gathering Prayer: (unison) **Almighty God, you broke the tyranny of sin through the sacrifice of your Son, Jesus Christ. Give us strength to be living witnesses that all people may know the freedom from sin and the gift of everlasting life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Call to Worship:

L: In Christ, we are made new

P: and filled with hope.

L: God's Spirit binds us to a new community

P: of worship and service.

L: God's love claims us unconditionally

P: through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ.

L: Come, let us worship God.

Opening Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Please refrain from singing

*Invitation to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession: **Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, your face is hidden from us by our sin, and we forget your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. Forgive us the sin of our life, O God. In mercy, wash us whiter than the fresh fallen snow. Deliver us from our foolish ways, proud thoughts, and vain desires. Grant that in your mercy we would find refuge and strength for the trials of our life. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Declaration of Pardon:

L: God's steadfast love extends like the mighty mountains, and his judgements are like the great deep.

P: God has heard the cry of his people and sent his son to be the Savior of all who will turn to him.

L: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Special Music

Scripture Reading: Genesis 45: 1-15

Morning Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, and Organ Response

Sermon:

"What Scars Have to Say"

Rev. Eric E. Dennis, Pastor

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Closing Hymn

God Be With You

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Please refrain from

singing

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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***Indicates those who are able to please stand**

Place attendance card in basket at door when exiting. Include name, address, telephone, & email.
Please place offering in box when exiting the Sanctuary. Please use restrooms in Preschool Hallway.



Please Remember In Our Prayers:

Helen Alexander, John Arnold, Dennis Bernhardt, Betty Brinker, Bill Chobanic, Clay & Lois, Clark Danner, Deneen, Dorothy, Cindy Druga, Dziak Family, Mike Feigh, Betty Frommell, Gloria, Jason & Jackie, Karen, Wendie King, Audrey Koppel, Karen Kordalski, Linda, Edward Lloyd, Rita Marrow, Miller Family, Nellie Nicholls, Anne Nutter, Nan Oskin, Carol Pascarella, Pat, Fran Pepler, Ann Puscaric, Renee, Doreen Sever, Linda Smith, Michelle Smith, Cindy Taylor, Peg Torbich, Jim Welsh, Irene Young



THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make our Linway Chicken Barbecue a success!

Session Meeting

This Tuesday, Aug. 18 at 7:00 p.m.

MA'S MATCHING GIFTS

FINAL DAYS TO GIVE!

- 1. YOU DONATE.
- 2. THEY MATCH.
- 3. DOUBLE THE IMPACT.

Matching Donations for MA's Pantry Through the Pittsburgh Foundation's Day of Giving:

The Pittsburgh Foundation will match online gifts given to them on August 19 for our local Food Bank, MA's Pantry! Linway will collect monetary donations for MA's Pantry THROUGH THIS TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 and will make one online gift from Linway.

This is a great opportunity to double your monetary gift for the Pantry! Since we are combining all donations given through Linway, no monetary amount is too small.

If you'd like to help, **please mail your donation to Linway or place in the offering box. Checks should be made payable to "Linway Church" and in the memo line mark that it is for "MA's Pantry".**

Last year's effort raised \$19,993.24 for MA's—in just one day! This year's goal is \$22,000.

Scripture Readings

The following scripture readings have been suggested by the Presbytery for this week:

- Genesis 45: 1-15
- Psalms 133
- Romans 11: 1-2, 29-32
- Matthew 15: 10-28

Christmas in August

& you get to be MA's Santa Claus!

This December, MA's is suspending the Giving Tree Program in which church members purchase & wrap presents for pantry recipients. Instead, MA's is asking those who normally purchase a gift, to instead make a \$20 monetary donation through Linway by August 18 so that it may be matched by the Pittsburgh Foundation. This way, the amount you normally spend on a gift at Christmas may be doubled, and Ma's can use those funds to purchase Christmas gift cards for its recipients.

Remember, MA's Pantry receives nothing from the Pittsburgh Foundation if donations aren't made. When you give, the Pantry will receive your gift and the MATCHING funds.

*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."
-Philippians 4:6*