

**Linway United Presbyterian Church**  
**August 23, 2020 9:15 a.m. Bulletin for Worship**

Prelude

Nancy Kelley, Organist

Greeting and Announcements

Gathering Prayer: (unison) **O God, fount of all wisdom, in the humble witness of the Apostle Peter you have shown the foundation of our faith. Give us the light of your Spirit that we may be living stones for the building up of your holy church. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Call to Worship:

L: We have come, not to parade our own goodness, but to praise the holiness of God!

**P: We have come, not to boast of what we have done, but to proclaim the redeeming work of Jesus Christ.**

L: Come, let us worship God.

Opening Hymn

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

Please refrain from singing

\*Invitation to Confession

\*Unison Prayer of Confession: **God of justice and righteousness, have mercy upon us as we confess our sins. We say we love our neighbors, but we still make distinctions. We say we have faith, but our lives are not a reflection of it. We join with pilgrims of faith as we openly admit that we are not the people you have called us to be. Have mercy upon us, O God. According to your grace, forgive us our sin. Lead us with your Holy Spirit that we would joyfully worship and serve the mission and ministry of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*Declaration of Pardon:

L: The Apostle Paul wrote: *If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved* (Romans 10:9).

**P: With sinners through all the ages we say: Lord, I believe; help my unbelief.**

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

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

Special Music

Scripture Reading: Matthew 13: 31-35

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

Sermon:

**"Headline News"**

Rev. Eric E. Dennis, Pastor

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Closing Hymn

*Christ you Call Us All to Service*

Please refrain from singing

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

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\*Indicates those who are able to please stand

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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, Clay & Lois, Clark Danner, Dorothy, Cindy Druga, Dziak Family, Mike Feigh, Betty Frommell, Gloria, Jason & Jackie, Justin, Karen, Wendie King, Audrey Koppel, Karen & Frank Kordalski Sr., Linda, Edward Lloyd, Rita Marrow, Nellie Nicholls, Anne Nutter, Nan Oskin, Carol Pascarella, Pat, Fran Pepler, Ann Puscaric, Renee, Doreen Sever, Linda Smith, Michelle Smith, Peg Torbich, Welsh Family



Our Sympathies to the Welsh family. Jim Welsh, a long-time member of Linway, went home to be with our Lord on August 12.



To  
**MA's Pantry**

Through  
**the Pittsburgh Foundation's  
Day of Giving 8/19/20**

Donations from Linway Totaled \$4,834.79

+Matched by Pittsburgh Foundation: \$4,834.79

Double the Impact from Linway: \$9,669.58

We'll be sure to share the news of the grand total donated through the Day of Giving towards Ma's Pantry soon.

**Scripture Readings**

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

Exodus 1:8 – 2:10

Psalms 124

Romans 12: 1-8

Matthew 16: 13-20



**Thank you** for everyone's support of our Chicken Barbecue on August 15. The chicken, baked potatoes and cole slaw were scrumptious, as always! We sold out at 4:01 p.m. That's 230 dinners in 2 hours, which is a new Linway record. We were blessed with perfect weather and a constant line of vehicles in our lot with folks anxious to get dinner. This fundraiser benefits the Linway General Fund.



*"He presented another parable to them:*

*The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. It's the smallest of all the seeds, but when grown, it's taller than the vegetables and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the sky come and nest in its branches."*

*Matthew 13:31-32*