



Linway United Presbyterian Church

September 27, 2020 9:15 a.m. Bulletin for Worship

Prelude

Nancy Kelley, Organist

Greeting and Announcements

Gathering Prayer: (unison) **Grant us, O God, not to be anxious about earthly cares, but to love that which is above, and even now, while we live among transient things, to hold fast to those things that shall endure. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Call to Worship:

Gwenn Heshizer, Liturgist

L: Come, all who are scattered and torn, scared and lonely, tired and tense, lost and confused.

P: We come seeking hope, comfort, guidance, and strength!

L: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

P: We come to give thanks and praise to our Creator.

L: Come, let us worship God.

Opening Hymn

Let All Things Now Living

Please refrain from singing

*Invitation to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession: **Holy God, like a loving father and a caring mother, you watch over us and beckon us to follow the right path. We openly admit that we are bogged-down, and our own efforts are insufficient to make headway in our daily life. We are stopped by our fear of trying something new. We are trapped by our memories of past failures. We are caught between conflicting choices and halted by the lures and temptations of this world. Forgive us our sin, O God.**

(A moment of silent confession)

Free us from the weight of sin that seeks to immobilize us from following your will. Help us to be bold in reaching out, courageous in our caring, and brave in our speaking, for we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

*Declaration of Pardon:

L: By the gift of his only Son, God has shown us to what length He will go to redeem us.

P: By his Spirit working in us and among us, God offers to all who truly seek it, a new and abundant life.

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

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Special Music

Scripture Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

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

Sermon:

"Is God With Us, Or Not?"

Rev. Eric E. Dennis, Pastor

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Closing Hymn

All Things Are Yours

Please refrain from singing

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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



When attending Worship Services in the Sanctuary

- We ask that you please complete an attendance card and place it in the basket when exiting the Sanctuary in case contact tracing becomes necessary. Include name, address, telephone, & email.
- Please place any offering in the box when exiting the Sanctuary.
- Please use the restrooms located in the Preschool Hallway.

Please Remember In Our Prayers:

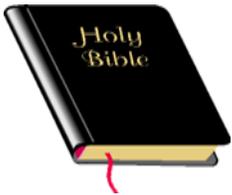
Helen Alexander, John Arnold, Tracy Augustin, Dennis Bernhardt, Betty Brinker, Carlie, Clay & Lois, Clark Danner, Dorothy, Cindy Druga, Mike Feigh, Betty Frommell, Gloria, Jason & Jackie, Audrey Koppel, Jean Lawton, Linda, Chuck Linderman, Edward Lloyd, Rita Marrow, MaryAnn, Nicholls Family, Anne Nutter, Nan Oskin, Carol Pascarella, Pat, Fran Pepler, Ann Puscaric, Renee, Rhonda, Doreen Sever, Linda Smith, Michelle Smith, Michael Spingola, Peg Torbich



Scripture Readings

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

- Exodus 17:1-7
- Psalms 78:1-4; 12-16
- Philippians 2: 1-13
- Matthew 21: 23-32



Today's Chancel Flowers

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Ellen V. Hardy in loving memory of her mother, Virginia Shultz, whose birthdate was on September 2.



We extend our sympathy to Carol & Mark Pascarella and the Nicholls family. Nellie Nicholls, Carol's step-mother and a long-time member of Linway, went home to be with our Lord on September 21. The family is planning a memorial service to be held for Nellie at a later date.

Chancel Flowers

At their last meeting, the Session approved that we may resume flowery delivery to the church for the Sunday morning worship service. Those purchasing flowers will be responsible for removing the flowers from the Chancel after the service. During the pandemic, the Deacons will not be taking the flowers to our shut-ins. If you would like to purchase flowers, please contact the church office. The cost is \$12.50 per vase.



Donations for Treat Boxes for College Students & Military



The Deacons are collecting monetary donations through October 11 for Halloween Treat Boxes for our college students and our members of the military. The donations will be used to purchase treat items and pay for the postage. Please place donations in the offering box or mail to the church and indicate that it is for the "Halloween Treat Boxes".

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