

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
201 KNOEDLER ROAD
PITTSBURGH, PA 15236

Rev. Dr. Robert E. Walkup, Pastor
Mrs. Grace Shearer, Organist/Choir Director

11.00 A.M.

September 10, 2017

WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

(Please be seated in silence)

First Organ Prelude

Smith

"Lift High The Cross"

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude

Smith

"He Is Lord"

Call to Worship

(Inspired by Psalm 149)

Antiphonal

Leader: Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song!

People: *Let us rejoice in our King!*

Leader: Praise his name with dancing and make melody to him.

People: *Let us exult and sing our joy!*

Leader: For the LORD takes joy in his people, and adorns the humble with glory.

People: *Praise the LORD!*

THE BODY IS CALLED TOGETHER BY THE SPIRIT

***Hymn**

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“For the Beauty of the Earth”

***Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: God of the ages, you call the church to keep watch in the world and to discern the signs of the times. Grant us the wisdom which your Spirit bestows, that with courage we may proclaim your prophetic word, and complete the work that you have set before us; through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS

***Call to Confession**

Jesus Christ has called us to be reconciled to God by confessing our limitations and laying aside the works of darkness. Let us pray,

***Prayer of Confession**

Unison

God of light and life, you set before us the challenge of laying aside the works of darkness and putting on the light of Christ. Forgive us when our judgment and self-judgment overshadow our faith. Merciful God, cleanse our hearts and minds of all that hinders us from loving you and loving our neighbor, so that everything we do may reflect Christ's light. Hear our prayer for the sake of the one who is to come, as we together say, "Our Father....Amen."

***Silent Prayer**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Be at peace knowing that your forgiveness is declared on earth and sealed in heaven.

Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

#546

The Peace

Offertory

Beethoven

"Theme From The Sonata in A "

***Organ Response**

#552

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Doxology**

#544

***Hymn**

#457

"Saviour, Teach Me, Day by Day"

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer of Illumination **Unison**
O Lord, you have given us your Word as a light to shine on our path. Grant that we may so meditate on that Word and follow its teaching that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

First Reading Pew Bible pg. 802
Ezekiel 33:7-11

Second Reading Pew Bible pg.162
Romans 13:8-14

Gospel Reading Pew Bible pg. 20
Matthew 18:15-20

Sermon **Rev. Walkup**
“New Software”

Affirmation of Faith **Apostles’ Creed**
Hymnal pg. 12; using “Holy Spirit”

Prayer of the People

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

*Hymn

#375

“Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode”

***Charge & Blessing**

***The Recessional**

Hine

“How Just Thou Art”

****Please Stand if Able***

WORSHIP TEAM TODAY: Dennis Auth, Nancy Brown,
Jeri Stoehr

WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK: Bob David, Charlotte Maegle,
Ann Downey

Bible Readings

- SUNDAY:** “A Closer Walk” Luke 10:38-42
- MONDAY:** “God Loves All types” James 2:1-9
- TUESDAY:** “Heavenly Guardian” Psalm 34:1-7
- WEDNESDAY:** “Making The Call” Ephesians 6:1-4
- THURSDAY:** “Changing Course” 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12
- FRIDAY:** “God’s Team” James 1:1-12
- SATURDAY:** “Take Courage!” Haggai 1:7-9; 2:4-5

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: “Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the LORD has promised to those who love him. James 1:12 (NIV)

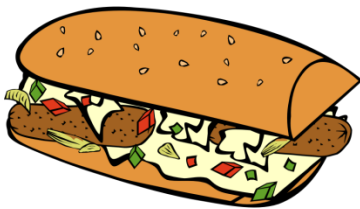


Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Also pray for Milly Hartmann, Jay Torrance, Jean & Charles Leuthold, Dorothy Williams, Dorothy Dyer, Norman Coliane, Patty Kulpa, Bob Knight, Charlotte Maegle, Ken Stoehr, Brenda Torrance, Tom Shearer and Dennis Auth.

Please keep **Dennis Auth** in your **thoughts and prayers**. He was admitted to **Shadyside Hospital** last week. **Shadyside Hospital, Room 598 Bed 2, Pittsburgh, PA 15232.**

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY: The photographer will be at Baldwin UP Church, September 10th and 17th to take pictures for the Membership Directory. There is a sign-up sheet on the hall table.

HOAGIE SALE



Sign-up sheets are on the hall table. The pick-up day for the hoagies is **Sat., September 16th from 10:30 AM – 12:00 Noon.** This hoagie sale is in memory of **Bill Clarke** and the Deacons will also be selling the **Veggie Hoagies (Bill Clarke's favorite).**

SOMETHING NEW



Something new...

The Deacons purchased “**testamints**,” candies with scripture, in memory of **Bill Clarke**. Stop by the hall table and have some.



There will be a **Deacons’ meeting** immediately following **Worship Service**.

There will be a **Session Meeting on Tuesday, September 12th at 7:00 PM**.

Newsletter

If you have any articles for the **October, November, December** newsletter, please submit to **Margie** by **September 20th**. You can **email** the articles to **margiebupc@verizon.net**.

LIVINGSTONE

Livingstone’s free **dinner** is today at **4:30 PM**. **Everyone is welcome**.