

**THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM  
Twentieth 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

10.30 A.M.

August 20, 2017

**WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**  
*(Please be seated in silence)*

**First Organ Prelude**

**Beethoven**

*“Ode To Joy”*

**Announcements**

**Second Organ Prelude**

**Smith**

*“He Is Lord”*

**Call to Worship**

*(Inspired by Psalm 67)*

**Antiphonal**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**People: *let all the peoples praise you.***

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

**People: *for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.***

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

***People: let all the peoples praise you!***

## **THE BODY IS CALLED TOGETHER BY THE SPIRIT**

**\*Hymn**

**# 15**

*"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"*

**\*Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

***P: And also with you***

L: Let us pray.

Leader: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

## **HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS**

**\*Call to Confession**

Please join me as we together offer ourselves to the merciful God, who waits to forgive us and make us whole.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

**Antiphonal**

***Merciful God, like Jesus' disciples, we sometimes***

***lose patience with people who need our help and support. Like the disciples, we find ourselves wishing that they would just go away and leave us in peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Remind us again of the deep love you showed toward us when we were still in need—a love so deep that it willingly went to the cross on our behalf. Show us how to love others as you have loved us so that we may be your hands and feet to those in need. In Jesus’ name, we pray, saying: “Our Father.....Amen.”***

**\*Silent Prayer**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Be in peace in the sure and certain knowledge that God’s ultimate purpose is not to punish, but to forgive.

***Thanks be to God!***

**Gloria Patri**

**#546**

**The Peace**

**Offertory**

**Hughes**

*“Only Trust Him”*

**\*Organ Response**

**#552**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Doxology**

**#544**

**\*Hymn**

**#298**

*“Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak”*

## **HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION**

**Prayer of Illumination** **Unison**  
*God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, you have guided your people through the ages, and provided for them in time of hardship. Grant now your guidance and providence to us, that through us, your Name may be praised. Amen.*

**First Reading** Pew Bible pg. 42  
*Genesis 45:1-15*

**Second Reading** Pew Bible pg.160  
*Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32*

**Gospel Reading** Pew Bible pg. 17  
*Matthew 15:21-28*

**Sermon** **Rev. Walkup**  
*"Shepherd's Voice"*

### **Invitation to Discipleship**

*Peter said:  
"Repent, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ  
so that your sins may be forgiven;  
and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.  
For the promise is for you, for your children,  
and for all who are far away,*

*everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.”*  
*(Acts of the Apostles 2:38-39)*

## **SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

***Cambree Gray Mikulla***

*(Born April 26, 2017)*

Daughter of

*Taryn L. Mikulla*

*and*

*Jeremy L. Golden*

Sponsored By

*Amanda Balzer*

*and*

*Ashley Balzer*

**Presentation**

**Affirmations of Parents/Sponsors/Congregation**

**Profession of Faith on Behalf of Child**

**Affirmation of Faith** **Apostles' Creed**

*Hymnal pg. 12; using “Holy Spirit”*

**Thanksgiving Over Water**

**The Baptism**

**Welcome**

**The Peace**

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

***People: And also with you.***

**Prayer of the People**  
**WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS**

**\*Hymn**

**INSERT**

*Will You Come and Follow Me”*  
*(The Summons)*

**\*Charge & Blessing**

**\*The Recessional**

**Noir**

*“O Great Is The Lord”*

***\*Please Stand if Able***

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**WORSHIP TEAM TODAY:** Rose Marie Neill, Karen McKain, Don Russell

**WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK:** Sean Frey, Colleen Frey, Craig Frey

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***Bible Readings***

**SUNDAY:** "Go For The Gold" 1 Peter 4:8-11  
**MONDAY:** "Comforting Presence" Psalm 23:1-6  
**TUESDAY:** "The Fig Tree" James 5:7-8  
**WEDNESDAY:** "Working For The Lord" Ephesians 6:5-9  
**THURSDAY:** "Server Available 24/7" Psalm 34:1-18  
**FRIDAY:** "A Way To Remember" Joshua 4:18-24  
**SATURDAY:** "Spirit Of Joy" Psalm 98:1-9

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** ***"This Poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles. Psalm 34:6 (NIV)***

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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, Carol Cantrell and Tom Shearer.



**Thank You!**

Thanks to **SHIM** for the **superb back-to-school, back-pack program** that **SHIM organized and sponsored** on August 14<sup>th</sup>. An abundance of colorful back-packs and a variety of school supplies were donated by **businesses and churches in the South Hills**. Many children were served in the community and they were so happy and excited with their new backpacks filled with supplies. Long waiting lines were outside the building. **Thank you to the congregation for your donations to this important program serving our community.**



Congratulations to **Taryn Mikulla and Jeremy Golden** on the **baptism** of their daughter ***Cambree Gray Mikulla*** on **April 26, 2017.**

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**Fall and Winter office hours will begin, Tuesday, September 5th from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.** Office hours will be **Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM** and **Wednesday from 9:00 AM -12:00 Noon.**

Worship Service will begin at **11:00 AM starting Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.**

Also **Sunday school will start at 9:30 AM on Sunday, September 10th.**





Please take time to complete the **enclosed survey** regarding the **weekly Bible Study** and place on the offering plate. **Thank you.**