

**THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
*Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)***

World Communion Sunday

**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.

October 1, 2017

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

First Organ Prelude

Renard

"Meditation"

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude

Smith

"He Is Lord"

Call to Worship

(Based on Psalm 150)

Antiphonal

Leader: Praise God from whom all blessings flow. The firmament, the covering of earth and seas, is the roof of our sanctuary.

People: *And so, we dwell in the house of God all*

the days of our lives as one people.

Leader: We will sing songs of praise and give thanks for God's steadfast hope in us.

People: Who today will bless God for God's surpassing greatness?

Leader: Let everything that breathes worship and praise God!

People: Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

THE BODY IS CALLED TOGETHER BY THE SPIRIT

***Hymn**

81

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

***Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: Lord of all, we exalt you. From the snowcapped peaks of the Himalayas to the life-sustaining plains of the Serengeti, the mystery of your glory is revealed. From the vineyards to the wheat fields, the mystery of your glory is revealed. In the eyes of the young and the wisdom of those who have sojourned with you, the mystery of your glory is revealed. Your glory is over all the earth and we bless your holy name. Today we honor the victory of your promised peace where love is

higher than the heavens and faithfulness reaches the clouds. Great is your love, and great is your faithfulness to us, and for this we give you thanks, for this too is the mystery of your glory. Amen.

HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS

***Call to Confession**

When we come together and confess, we recognize our humanity and pray for peace over our brokenness. Together, let us pray the prayer of confession:

***Prayer of Confession**

Unison

Holy God, we know the ways in which sin separates us from you. We confess our reticence to claim the sin in our lives. Today may we move past the prideful notions of our piety and look closer at what we don't do. For sometimes the greatest sin of all is our own complicity with what is wrong in the world. We want to love as you commanded, Jesus, but too often catch ourselves justifying the injustice of hunger, poverty, war, and all the prejudices we didn't know we had. Forgive us so that we may catch ourselves and right our wrongs. Forgive us so that the lessons we learn at the Spirit's urging may help bring the peace and love you seek in our families, the church, and the world. Help us to be more holy in our heads, hearts and hands for the sake of Jesus Christ as we pray, saying: "Our Father.....Amen."

***Silent Prayer**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Christ is our peace, and for his sake we are promised God's mercy and are assured that God's grace will follow us all the days of our lives.

Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

#546

The Peace

Offertory

Paxton

"Peace Begin"

***Organ Response**

#552

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Doxology**

#544

***Hymn**

INSERT

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer of Illumination

Unison

Holy Spirit, settle our hearts and minds as we read the scriptures today. Help us to hear them in a new way. May our meditations and actions be acceptable to God and may the peace of Christ be

with us. Amen.

First Reading

Pew Bible pg. 64

Exodus 17:1-7

Second Reading

Pew Bible pg.197

Philippians 2:1-13

Gospel Reading

Pew Bible pg. 23

Matthew 21:23-32

Sermon

Rev. Walkup

“By Whose Authority?”

THE BODY IS NOURISHED IN THE SPIRIT

Invitation

Minister

The Great Thanksgiving

Responsive

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

L: Give thanks to God, for he is good.

P: His love is everlasting.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving & Petition

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal pg. 12; using “Holy Spirit”

**Words of Institution
The Sacrament of the Bread and Cup
Prayer After Communion**

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

***Hymn**

INSERT

“O For a World”

***Charge & Blessing**

***The Recessional**

Livingston

“Sing A New Song Of Joy”

****Please Stand if Able***

WORSHIP & COMMUNION

TEAM TODAY: Sean Frey, Colleen Frey, Craig Frey

WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK: Jean Lindberg, Diane McGreevy, Vince Wisbar

Bible Readings



- SUNDAY:** “Christ’s Table” Matthew 22:1-14
- MONDAY:** “Living By Faith” Hebrews 11:1-16
- TUESDAY:** “Keeping Faith” Romans 4:13-25
- WEDNESDAY:** “Leading By Example” Romans 16:1-16
- THURSDAY:** “The Stars” Psalm 19:1-6
- FRIDAY:** “The Ultimate Do-Over” 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
- SATURDAY:** “Investing Ourselves” Mark 6:35-44

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *“(God) has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present yu holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation. Colossians 1:22 (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.



Today is **Holy Communion Sunday**. If you are receiving **Holy Communion** today, please complete the **Communion registration card** on the back of the bulletin. **Thank you.**

SOMETHING NEW



Something new...

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

PER CAPITA



The **2017 Per Capita apportionment** will be due at the end of **October**. Every church is apportioned a share of the expenses of the presbytery, the synod, and the General Assembly for ecclesiastical purposes. The apportionment is based on church membership. The amount to be paid this year is **\$30.00 per member**. We continue to reach out to all members of our congregation to participate. **Thank you for your continued support.**



WHITEHALL’S HOME MADE SOUP SALE: Whitehall Presbyterian Church is having a soup sale. The soups are **Wedding and Beef Vegetable**. The price is **\$6.00 per quart**. Orders are due **Sunday, October 1st** and the delivery date is **Sunday, October 8th**. If paying by check, make checks out to **Whitehall Presbyterian Church**. Leave check or cash in the church office. **Sign-up sheets are on the hall table.** Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon today**. The first **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon** will begin on **Sunday, November 5th**.



PLEASE NOTE: Starting **Wednesday, October 4th**, **Bible Study** will be held at **Baldwin UP Church** at **7:00 PM.**