

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Fourth Lord's Day in Easter

BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
201 KNOEDLER ROAD
PITTSBURGH, PA 15236

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Mrs. Grace Shearer, Organist & Choir Director

11.00 AM

April 22, 2018

WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

(Please be seated in silence)

First Organ Prelude

Hustad

"The Lord is My Shepherd"

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude

Smith

"He is Lord"

Call to Worship

Antiphonal

Leader: Gracious God, we gather to celebrate and worship your goodness.

People: We are your resurrection people.

Leader: Your Suffering Servant has become the source of our healing.

People: The stone rejected has become hope's cornerstone.

Leader: By raising the Crucified One, you have opened to us the way to new life.

People: *He is risen indeed!*

Leader: Let us boldly live each day in fullness and forgiveness knowing that Christ is in our midst.

People: *Our Risen Lord is with us always!*

***Hymn**

#433

“Christ is Made the Sure Foundation”

***Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: Almighty God, you sent Jesus, our good shepherd, to gather us together. May we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are safely in your fold, to live with you forever; 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**

Let us humble ourselves and confess that although the Good Shepherd desires to guide all into the safe pastures of refreshment and peace, there are times when we fail to hear and obey his call.

***Prayer of Confession** **Unison**
LORD, you are my Shepherd, I shall not want. Yet I am consumed by wanting. You make me lie down in green pastures and lead me beside still waters, yet other pastures seem greener, and my soul still thirsts. You guide me in paths of right relationship, but I have at times allowed anger, and resentment to direct my path. You assure me that you are with me even in the darkest valley, yet I fear that which I do not know. You anoint me and set a bountiful feast before me, yet I sometimes complain and refuse your hospitality. In your goodness and mercy, lead me back into your fold for the sake of Christ Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying: "Our Father.....Amen.

***Silent Prayer**

***Assurance of Pardon** **Minister**
The Good Shepherd knows his sheep and lays down his life for them so that they may live. In his flock we find wholeness and restoration.
Thanks be to God!

***The Gloria Patri** **#546**

***The Peace**

Offertory **Bach**
"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

- *Organ Response #552
- *Prayer of Dedication
- *Doxology #544
- *Hymn #380

“Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer for Illumination **Unison**
Blow, wind of God, and ready us for new birth. Equip us with courage and vision so that, in hearing the stories we have inherited, we may wisely choose the stories that we will become. Amen.

First Reading **Pew Bible pg. 121**

Acts of the Apostles 4:5-12

Psalm **Pew Bible pg. 501**

Psalm 23

Second Reading **Pew Bible pg. 240**

1 John 3:16-24

Gospel Reading **Pew Bible pg. 103**

John 10:11-18

Sermon **Rev. Walkup**

“Intercepted”

Affirmation of Faith **Apostles’ Creed**

Hymnal pg. 12; using “Holy Spirit”

Prayers of the People

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

***Hymn**

“Christ is Alive!”

INSERT

***Charge and Blessing**

***The Recessional**

“Postlude”

Cramer

****Please Stand if Able***

WORSHIP TEAM TODAY: Jean Lindberg,
Diane McGreevy,
Vince Wisbar

WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK: Nancy Brown, Jeri Stoehr,
Giness Mumba

Bible Readings



SUNDAY: “Looking Forward” Luke 2:36-38
MONDAY: “Our Guidebook” John 1:1-5
TUESDAY: “Standing In Confidence” 1 Samuel 17:31-47
WEDNESDAY: “A Priceless Gift” John 6:25-35
THURSDAY: “In Tandem” Proverbs 3:5-10
FRIDAY: “Away From The Crowd” Matthew 6:5-15
SATURDAY: “Sharing The Good News” Romans 10:1-14
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *“Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.” Jon 6:35 (NRSV)*



Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Also pray for Jay Torrance, Charles Leuthold, Dorothy Williams, Norman Coliane, Patty Kulpa, Bob Knight, Charlotte Maegle, Ken Stoehr, Tom Shearer, Mary Ellen Shenkle, Sherri Rodgers, Dennis Auth, Twila Weixel, Frank Mascherma and Robert Knight.



Congregation, please stop by the church hall table and pick up the appended **By-Laws** and a draft document of the proposed **By-Laws**. The Session has targeted **September 1, 2018** as the last date to receive amendments to the draft document and will schedule a **Special Congregational Meeting** to vote on adoption subsequently at a date yet to be set.



Bible Study on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM at Baldwin UP Church. Bring a friend!

FOOD 4 KIDS: Whitehall Presbyterian Church started A food initiative “**Food 4 Kids**” for students in the **Baldwin- Whitehall school district**. This program provides a packed bag every Friday for **McAnnulty Elementary School** students on the free and reduced price lunch program. Each bag contains enough food for the student to eat meals over the week-end. If you would like to participate, a list of the specific

food items

Whitehall Church is requesting can be found on the hall table. Monetary donations can also be made to Whitehall Presbyterian Church. Please indicate Food 4 Kids in the memo section of your check.

ATTENTION ELDERS: A memo to the Session is on the hall table for your review.