

**THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**  
*Twenty-Seventh 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.

October 8, 2017

**WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

*(Please be seated in silence)*

**First Organ Prelude**

**Wilson**

***“Viox Angelica Wilson”***

**Announcements**

**Second Organ Prelude**

**Smith**

***“He Is Lord”***

**Call to Worship**

*(Based on Psalm 19)*

**Antiphonal**

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God.

***People: The firmament shows forth the work of God’s hands.***

Leader: There is no speech nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

***People: Yet their message goes out to the whole***

***world.***

Leader: The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul, giving light to the eyes and joy to the heart.

***People: It is sweeter than honey and more desirable than gold.***

Leader: May our worship together reflect God's glory.

***People: Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in God's sight.***

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

**\*Hymn**

**#456**

*"All Things Bright and Beautiful"*

**\*Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

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

L: Let us pray.

Leader: Almighty and ever gracious God, whose signature we see in the majesty of the universe and the mystery of life, help us to look for your handwriting and to listen for your voice among all people. Connect our temporary praise to your timeless rhythms, your ageless melodies, your everlasting joyful noise. Breathe life into our singing, our praying, our speaking, our listening, and our

acting, that all these might become more than they are. We reach out to you, O God, knowing that you have already enfolded us in your arms for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the Holy Spirit lives and reigns with you, one God forever and ever. *Amen.*

## **HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS**

### **\*Call to Confession**

Let us confess how we have not lived as God's beloved children. Please join me as we pray, saying:

### **\*Prayer of Confession**

**Unison**

***God of compassion and mercy, as your wounded and wounding children, we bring our conflicted selves, our divided society, and our broken world, in search of your healing and transforming grace. It is easy for us to point the finger at others, yet we know that we all need your mercy, so we lift into your presence today, not only the victims of conflicts, but also those whom we have called enemies. Break down the walls of hatred, distrust and bitterness, and open a way for us to reach one another in truth and love. Enable us to share our gifts in mutual respect, and to seek the Beloved Community which you offer us through Jesus the Christ as we pray, saying: "Our Father.....Amen."***

### **\*Silent Prayer**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

The Lord has indeed done great things for us. Know therefore that in Jesus Christ we are accepted, loved and forgiven.

***Thanks be to God!***

**Gloria Patri**

**#546**

**The Peace**

**Offertory**

**Short**

*“It Is Well With My Soul”*

**\*Organ Response**

**#552**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Doxology**

**#544**

**\*Hymn**

**#251**

*“O Word of God Incarnate”  
(First Tune: “Munich”)*

**HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Unison**

***God of mercy, have mercy on us. God of wisdom, illumine our minds. God of light, shine into our hearts. Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil. God of Power, be our refuge and our strength, now and forever. Amen***

**First Reading** Pew Bible pg. 66  
*Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20*

**Second Reading** Pew Bible pg.198  
*Philippians 3:4b-14*

**Gospel Reading** Pew Bible pg. 24  
*Matthew 21:33-46*

**Sermon** **Rev. Walkup**  
*“Eleventh Commandment”*

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

**Prayer of the People**

**WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS**

**\*Hymn** **INSERT**  
*“When Peace Like a River”*

**\*Charge & Blessing**

**\*The Recessional** **Brede**

*“Postlude”*

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

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

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### ***Bible Readings***



**SUNDAY:** "Listening To God" 1 Samuel 3:1-10  
**MONDAY:** "God's Steadfast Love" Psalm 25:8-12  
**TUESDAY:** "God's Shoulders" Psalm 112:6-8  
**WEDNESDAY:** "Who Am I?" Matthew 16:13-20  
**THURSDAY:** "The Ajo Lily" Isaiah 35:1-2  
**FRIDAY:** "Never Too Old" Psalm 92:1-15  
**SATURDAY:** "Persevering" Hebrews 10:19-25  
**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** *"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding in all your ways submit to him , and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6 (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, Ken Stoehr, Brenda Torrance, Tom Shearer and Dennis Auth.

**WHITEHALL SOUP:** If you ordered soup from Whitehall Presbyterian, the money is due today. after Worship Service, stop down at Fellowship Hall to pick up your soup.



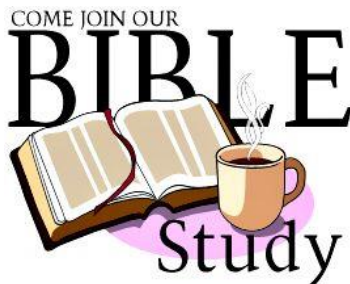
### Something new...

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.**



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



The **Deacons** will have their monthly meeting today after **Worship Service**. There will be a **Session** meeting on **Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>** at **7:00 PM.** Copies of last month’s meeting are on the hall table for the **Elder’s** review.



The flowers on the **Worship Table today** are placed there to the Glory of God by **Charlotte Clarke** and **family** in memory of ***William G. Clarke*** for his birthday, which was **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

**LIVING STONE'S  
FREE DINNER**

**Living Stone's** will be serving their **free dinner** today at **4:30 PM**. **Everyone is welcome!**