

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Twenty-Third Lord's Day in Ordinary Time

BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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11.00 A.M.

September 9, 2018

WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

(Please be seated in silence)

First Organ Prelude

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

(Based Psalm 125/James 2)

Antiphonal

Leader: You O God, protect those who trust in you.

People: Your steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: You have chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith, and heirs to the kingdom promised to those who love you.

People: From this time on and forevermore.

Leader: You bring us into a land of righteousness where the scepter of evil does not hold sway.

People: We are heirs to your Kingdom.

Leader: You surround us with the power of your grace,
People: *And your mercy triumphs over judgment.*

***Hymn**

#131

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

***Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: Direct and help us, O Lord, in all our deeds, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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**

Leader

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

Lord, I sometimes wander away from you. But this is not because I am deliberately turning my back on you. It is because of the inconstancy of my mind. I

weaken in my intention to give my whole soul to you. I fall back into thinking of myself as my own master. But when I wander from you, my life becomes a burden, and within me I find nothing but the darkness of fear and anxiety. So, I come back to you, and confess that I have sinned against you, knowing you will forgive me for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ who taught us to pray to you, saying: "Our Father.....Amen."

***Silent Prayer**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Minister

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven our sins and freed to begin again.

Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri**

#546

***The Peace**

The Offertory

***Organ Response**

#552

***The Prayer of Dedication**

***The Doxology**

#544

***Hymn**

INSERT

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer for Illumination

Unison

Gracious God, your gospel is not poured into our ears by an eloquent tongue or into our eyes by inscribed words, but is breathed into our hearts by your sweet Spirit. Speak Lord, for your servants are listening. Open our hearts to hear you so that the tranquility of your love may enter our souls. Amen.

First Reading

Pew Bible pg. 604

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

Second Reading

Pew Bible pg. 229

James 2:1-10, 14-17

Gospel Reading

Pew Bible pg. 42

Mark 7:24-37

Sermon

Rev. Walkup

"Hot Fudge for the Soul"

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal pg. 12; using "Holy Spirit"

Prayers of the People

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

***Hymn**

INSERT

"In the Garden"

***Charge & Blessing**

Minister

***The Recessional**

****Please Stand if Able***

WORSHIP TEAM TODAY: Sean Frey, Colleen Frey, Craig Frey

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

Bible Readings



SUNDAY: "The Thanksgiving Choir" Nehemiah 12:31-43

MONDAY: "Why?" Job 42:4 (NIV)

TUESDAY: "Love Poured Out" Matthew 10:40-42

WEDNESDAY: "The Power Of Prayer" Psalm 5:1-7

THURSDAY: "A Shared Meal" Eodus 16:1-8

FRIDAY: "Enough" Matthew 6:5-13

SATURDAY: "Renewed In Spirit" 1 Peter 1:3-9

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever." Psalm 118:1 (NIV)*

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, Charlotte Clarke, Nancy Torrance, Tom Shearer, Mary Ellen Shenkle, Sherri Rodgers, Twila Weixel, Frank Mascherma and Gene Marnell.

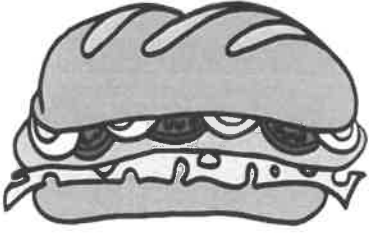
Charlotte Clarke was discharged from the hospital and is now at Manor Care, Whitehall.

PER CAPITA: PLEASE NOTE: The 2018 Per Capita is due by the end of **October 2018**. The apportionment due for each member is \$34.00. Thank you.

There will be a **Deacons' meeting** after Worship Service today.

There will be a **Session meeting** on Tuesday, **September 11th at 7:00 PM**. Copies of last month's minutes are on the hall table for the **Elder's** review.





The **Deacons' fall hoagie sale is underway**. They will be selling **Italian and Turkey**. The price is **\$7.00**. Pick-up is **Saturday, September 29 from 10:00 AM to Noon**. **Deadline for orders is Sunday, September 23**.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

The **second Men's Breakfast will be Saturday, September 15 at 9:30 AM at Eat'n Park**. The **Deacons will pick up the cost**. A **sign-up sheet is on the hall table**.

Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 19 at 7:00 PM at Baldwin UP Church.

Congregational Meeting Sunday, September 30 to adopt by-laws.