

**THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP  
SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**Twenty-Second Lord's Day in Ordinary Time**

**BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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PITTSBURGH, PA 15236**

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11.00 A.M.

September 1, 2019

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

**First Organ Prelude**

**Announcements**

**Second Organ Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

*(Inspired by Psalm 81/Hebrews 13)*

**Antiphonal**

**Leader:** We sing with joy to you, God of our strength!

**People:** ***We raise a loud shout to you, O God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob!***

**Leader:** Lord, help us to hear your voice, and not some strange voice with strange teachings.

**People:** ***May we listen and walk in your ways of***

***Wisdom***

Leader: You are the God of our strength,

***People: and hear us in times of trouble.***

Leader: Out of your great love, you rescue us in Christ.

***People: In him, you welcome us as beloved children.***

Leader: Whenever we love one another and welcome strangers as he did;

***People: We may be entertaining angels.***

Leader: We praise you that you set us in safe places!

***People: Let the fruit of our lips bless your holy Name!***

**\*Hymn**

**# 2**

*“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

**\*Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

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

L: Let us pray.

Leader: O God, you invite the poor and the sinful to take their place in the festive assembly of the new covenant. May your church always honor the presence of the Lord in the humble and the suffering, and may we learn to recognize each other as brothers and sisters, gathered together around your table. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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**

If we confess our need, then God will fill our emptiness with his goodness.

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

**Unison**

*Compassionate One, you know how we like to be noticed; even our earliest expressions cry out "Look at me." Sometimes, this desire gets out of hand, and we are tempted to think of ourselves as better or more deserving than others. Some even do so in your name. Indeed, we live in a world that is broken daily by the foolish arrogance of men and women like ourselves. We offer to you now our brokenness and the brokenness of the world, confident that you can heal us. Teach us to love and serve everyone with the same grace and humility, as your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray saying: "Our Father.....Amen."*

### **\*Silent Prayer**

### **\*Assurance of Pardon**

**Minister**

If God is for us, who then is the one who condemns? No one, for the risen and reigning Christ intercedes for us.

***Thanks be to God!***

### **\*Gloria Patri**

**#546**

**\*The Peace**

**Offertory**

**\*Organ Response** #552

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Doxology** #544

**\*Hymn** #507

*“Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”*

## **HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Unison**

***Almighty God, you are the fountain of everlasting light and life. In the power of the Holy Spirit pour out upon us the glory of your brightness, and imprint your truth onto our hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**First Reading**

**Pew Bible pg. 699**

*Jeremiah 2:4-13*

**Second Reading**

**Pew Bible pg. 277**

*Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16*

**Gospel Reading**

**Pew Bible pg. 74**

*Luke 14:1, 7-14*

**Sermon**

**Rev. Walkup**

*“Pass the Grace, Please”*

## THE RESPONSE OF LOVE

### Invitation to the Lord's Table

#### 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.*

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Response

Antiphonal

L: Praise to you Lord Jesus:

*P: Dying, you destroyed our death;*

L: Rising, you restored our life.

*P: Lord Jesus, come in glory.*

#### Words of Institution

Sacrament of the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

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

**\*Hymn**

**INSERT**

*“How Firm a Foundation”*

**\*Charge & Blessing**

**\*Response**

**# 78**

*“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”  
(Verses 1)*

**\*Postlude**

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



**WORSHIP & COMMUNION TEAM** ,

**TODAY:**

**Jim Palmer, Darlene Degenhardt  
Diane McGreevy, Giness Mumba**

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

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***Bible Readings***



- SUNDAY:** "Come Near" 113:1-9
  - MONDAY:** "Entertaining Angels" Matthew 6:1-4
  - TUESDAY:** "Never Alone" Luke 11:5-13
  - WEDNESDAY:** "Thanks Be To God" Romans 7:14-25
  - THURSDAY:** "A Forgotten Inscription" Phillipians 2:12-18
  - FRIDAY:** "Dirty Dishes" 1 John 1:5-10
  - SATURDAY:** "Ordinary Heroes" 1 Corinthians 1:26-31
- THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13:2 (NRSV)***

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**Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Also pray for Jay Torrance, Dorothy Williams, Mary Ellen Shenkle, Brenda Torrance, George Briggs, Cheryl Harriett, Jean Beyer, Eloise Berglund and Joe McLaughlin family.**



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

## **PER CAPITA**

If you would like to get a head start on your **Per Capita**, which is due the end of **October**, the apportionment due for each member is **\$34.00**.  
**Thank you.**



The next **Deacon's meeting** will be **Sunday, September 8** after **Worship Service**.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

Fall and winter office hours begin **Thursday, September 5**. The hours are **Monday, Thursday** and **Friday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM** and **Wednesday 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon**.

**Children's Sunday School** will begin **Sunday, September 8, 2019**,

**Bible Study** will begin **Wednesday, September 18** at **7:00 PM**.

**Adult Sunday School** begins **Sunday, September 22** at **9:45 AM**.



The **Deacons' fall Hoagie Sale** is underway. **Italian and turkey hoagies** will be sold at a price of **\$8.00**. Deadline for ordering is **September 7, 2019**. Pick-up is **September 14th** from **10:00 AM – 11:30 AM**. **Sign-up sheets** are on the **hall table**.





The office will be closed **Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>** in observance of **Labor Day**. Have a **blessed and Happy Labor Day**.

*Thank  
You*



Grace thanks everyone for their cards, well wishes and prayers while she was at home recovering from her hospital stay.



The flowers on the Worship table are presented by **Margie Kowalski** in honor of **Grace Shearer's 86<sup>th</sup> birthday** on **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**.