

King Jesus Is Lord!

NORTH LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The Lord's Day | 26th Sunday in Ordinary

Sunday, September 26th, 2021

JOYS, CONCERNS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday: 9^{:45 AM} — Prayer Time

10^{:00 AM} — Sunday School 11^{:00 AM} — Worship Service

12:00 Nn — Nominating Committee Meeting

7^{:00 PM} — Screenings of "The Chosen" @ Trinity Luth. Church;

Columbia Street, Grove City

Monday: 6:00 PM — GriefShare || Support Group

Leesburg Presbyterian Church — Open to All

6:30 PM — Shenango Presbytery Mtg. || Bessemer Pres. Church

<u>Tuesday:</u> 7^{:00 PM} — Choir Practice

Next

<u>Sunday:</u> 9^{:45 AM} — Prayer Time

 $10^{\frac{100 \text{ AM}}{}}$ — Sunday School || World Communion Sunday

11:00 AM — Worship Service

12:00 Noon — Nominating Committee

- <u>The Offering is collected</u> in the offering plates on the center table in the Narthex. It will be brought forward during the Offertory for the prayer of Dedication. On Communion Sundays there are two different plates out. The Standard offering goes in the gold plates. The special Deaacon's Offering (for the ir continuing work) goes in the silver plate.
- <u>Nominating Committee will begin</u> it's meetings after worship next Sunday, 26th September in order to identify congregational officer-candidates for the 2022 calendar year. Gerry Sankey will begin getting in touch with the members of the Nominating Committee.
- The Church Website has been and is being updated. Remember to check: http://northlibertypc.org
- The Worship Service videos are being loaded weekly to Pastor Rusty's YouTube channel (Albert Stuart), the Church's channel (North Liberty) and to the Church website: (http://www.northlibertypc.org) Under the "Worship" tab at the top.
- <u>FROM THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMISSION:</u> The Christian Ed Committee met and we wanted to advise the congregation of the status of Sunday School, CE, Liberty Lambs-Lions.

<u>Den and Jen Shea</u> have resigned from CE, we regret this, but understand that their family has changed and they have other responsibilities now. Jen also has resigned from Teaching Sunday School, class. Dorry Sankey will now teach this group.

<u>Liberty Lambs-Lions:</u> Adam Carothers/ Terri Pizor have also resigned from this group. Adam is coaching his daughter's soccer team.

<u>Children's Church:</u> Beth Black has resigned from this position, since she has had to take on more responsibility with her job. Dorry Sankey will take over for her.

We are in need of CE, Liberty-Lambs-Lions leaders. There are a number of children who age available to attend.

Are we doing all we can with what GOD has Blessed us with? Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 talks about this: "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken."

Please pray about these openings that need filled so we can continue to introduce Jesus as the Christ and become his disciples and share his love.

In the Love of Christ,

Elder Joyce Youshock, for the Christian Ed. Comm.

- Please remain seated through the end of the postlude.
- <u>NOTICE:</u> We HAVE returned to normal seating patterns, and singing of hymns and use of hymnals & pew Bibles. Masking <u>is not</u> required, though it is suggested for those who are unvaccinated or who suffer from chronic illness or autoimmune conditions that might make them more vulnerable to COVID-19 or one of its variants. We will continue to video record worship services for distribution on DVDs and on the Church website and our YouTube channels. We will also continue to broadcast the service on our short range AM signal around the building for those who wish to attend, but cannot come inside to expose themselves.



PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD P P

PRELUDE: "We Shall Behold Him"

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Pastor: God Is Good!
People: All the time!

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People: ... God IS Good, ...

Unison: ... because that is His nature!

Pastor: ... Let us join together in our Sung Call to Worship:

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" # 1

[1] Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To His feet your tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore His praises sing.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

[2] Praise Him for His grace and favor To our fathers in distress; Praise Him, still the same as ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

* HYMN:

- "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" # 21
- [1] O for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace.
- [2] Jesus! The Name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease, 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
 - [3] He breaks the pow'r of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.
- [4] Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, Your loosened tongues employ; Ye blind, behold your Savior come; And leap, ye lame, for joy.
 - [5] My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread thro' all the earth abroad The honors of Thy Name.

CALL TO CONFESSION:

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Unison: Almighty God: in Christ Jesus you called us to be a faithful servant people, but we are rebellious and do not do what You command. We are often silent when we should speak; useless when we should be useful. We are lazy servants, timid and heartless, who turn neighbors away from Your love. Have mercy on us, O God and Father. And though we do not deserve it, we crave Your forgiveness and ask You to free us from our sin. By the power of Your Spirit, make us useful and faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. [Adapted from the WorshipBook, ©1972; pg. 26]

MOMENT OF SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION:

DECLARATION OF PARDON:

* GLORIA PATRI:

Glory be to the Father, and the Son and to the Holy Gost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end, Amen. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD HH

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

CHILDRENS' MESSAGE:

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: I Corinthians 10:1 - 22

¹ For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³ and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵ Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

⁶ Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷ Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." ⁸ We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹ We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰ nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹ Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹² Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³ No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation He will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

¹⁴Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. ¹⁵I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. ¹⁶The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. ¹⁸Consider the people of Israel: are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar? ¹⁹What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? ²⁰No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be participants with demons. ²¹You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons. ²²Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than He?

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

ANTHEM: "King Jesus Is Coming" Binion & Wilkinson

SERMON: "Shall We Provoke the Lord to Jealousy?

Are We Stronger than HE?"
The Rev. Albert Rhodes Stuart

* * * RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD * * *

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

Unison: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER:

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS & TITHES:

OFFERTORY:

"I Surrender All"

* THE DOXOLOGY:

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all ye creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication:

*HYMN:

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" # 342

- [1] Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, Save from wrath and make me pure.
- [2] Could my tears forever flow, Could my zeal no languor know, Thee for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone. In my hand no price I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling.
- [3] While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyes shall close in death, When I rise to worlds unknown And behold Thee on Thy throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

CHARGE & BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: "Soon and Very Soon"

PRAYER CONCERNS +++

Hospitalized

Clintonville FF Justin Williams

Upcoming Surgery

Dr. Sherrick & Son

John Petrack (Stem Cell Transplant)

Gerry Sankey (Heart Ablation || Tues.)

Ed Turnbull (Rotator Cuff Repair)

Gay Griffin (Lumpectomy)

Recuperating

Jason Weyerich (To Rehab / TBI)

Bruce Martin

Linda Beatty

Johnny Hubel (TBI Home Recovery)

Barb Linko (Heart Surgery – Waiting)

Mike Cusumano (COVID | Tracey

Hoffman Nelson's S-i-L)

Evelyn Koprivnikar (Now Home)

Cindy Swearer (Healing)

Ed Buchert (Recovering & PT)

Bob Johnston (Evelyn Koprivnikar's Brother)

Cancer Warriors

John Petrack (Sue Black's B-in-L)

 $Nick\ Cooper\ \ (Dorry's\ nephew\ ||\ \ Lymphoma)$

Adam Shields (Leukemia)

Sally Riddle (Cancer gone || tracheotomy until October)

Allan Morris (Evelyn Koprivnikar's cousin-in-Law | Colon/Prostate Cancer)

Health and Other Concerns

Joe Baker (More tests)

Garalynn Barlow (Parkinson's)

Deb Hartman (Monitoring | Good Labs)

Bob Barger

Brandy Brown

Pat Burns (Anne Treanor's Sis-in-law)

Nancy Clark

Thomas Cooper (Dorry's nephew)

Harry "Jay" Meier (Cavern. Veinous

Malformation in brain)

Kay Dannels (friend of Beth Black)

Jesse Duncan

Martha Dunlap

Dick Dunlap

Ray Hoagland (Marianne McCreight's

father)

Carter Kerr (Carolyn Rizza's Cousin)

Linda Knight

Tony Nicoletto

Theresa & Stephanie Snyder

(Joyce Youshock's cousins)

Avery Reynolds (Friend of Marie Duncan)

Kaitlyn Spinoso (Pastor's Bob McCreight's

granddaughter)

Sam Williamson

Helen Sevin

Paul Bonnici (Mark's brother)

Julie Roberts

Scott Burns (Stroke recovery)

Jack Hemmerlin (Eye Press. Good | Still has

Double Vision post-surgically)

Gwen Best (More Falls)

Trish Turnbull (Kidney Dis. / Bad Hip)

Bruce Ellison (Paul Rizza's B-i-L)

Bereavement

Rudy Kresh Family

Denny Wingert Family (Son-in-Law & Mother-in-Law of COVID in a couple of days of each other)

Furrie Benetti Family

Special Prayers

The State of the Nation

COVID Vaccinations & Delta Variant increases
Police, Fire, EMS, Med. Personnel

Thanksgiving

<u>Joy</u>

Work & Worship of the Church

Presbytery of Shenango (re-org. & new officers | Sue Black, Vice-Mod.)
Sunday School Teachers
CE & Liberty Lambs & Lions

Mission

Pecos Valley Hispanic Ministries

Pres. Church in N. & S. Sudan (New churches planted | COVID | Reconciliation)

Dominican Republic Mission Partners Shenango Pres DR Team 2022 Trip Planning

Shut-ins

June McClelland 1445 Stonelake Cove #5108 Henderson, NV 89074

Erma Campbell –Rm 316B Orchard Manor 20 Orchard Drive Grove City, PA 16127 Joan Dickey
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Jackie Bowser 407 North Liberty Road Grove City, PA 16127

Martha Dunlap 354 North Liberty Road Grove City, PA 16127

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY



Kyle Campbell (Alex's brother)
Jake & Jessica Corey (Lockheart)
Orman (Erin Stoops' Cousins)
Kirby Buchanan
(Tom & Nina Cooper's Grandson)