



Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

July 7, 2024 9:30 a.m.

Welcome!

- *We invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary. Childcare also is available in Room 3 of the Education Wing.*
 - *Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth (rear of sanctuary).*
- *Greeting you today are Alice and Dean Crossland, Joann Fissel, and Rick Woodard*

Jim Long presents this morning's flowers in honor and memory of Hazel Long.

Worship begins with the first note of the prelude – may we silence our voices and open our hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.

Prelude

Holy, Holy, Holy
Diane Rutzer, guest organist

John Dykes

Welcome

*Call to Worship

L: In the times of trouble, when all seemed hopeless, I cried out to God.

P: **And the Lord heard my pleas and answered me.**

L: When I felt lost and alone, I looked for God.

P: **And God found me and brought me home.**

L: When my life was filled with joy and blessing, I danced and praised God.

P: **And God danced and rejoiced with me.**

L: With all joy and thanksgiving, let us worship God!

*Hymn 338

O Beautiful For Spacious Skies

*Prayer of Approach

God of wonder and glory, this world around us is awesome. You created it! You continue to hold it together, even as we threaten to tear it apart. God of justice and righteousness, to you we look for the truth. You are the ultimate judge. Your wisdom cuts through the lies. God of grace and mercy, the love you have shown us in Jesus is more than we deserve. Your arms are open wide, like a waiting father for his prodigal children, ready to welcome and restore. We come to you just now thirsting for your living water. Guide us to the streams of your wonder and glory, your justice and righteousness, your grace and mercy, that we may drink and be satisfied, renewed for our continuing journey with Jesus. This we pray in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

*Sung Response 288

Spirit of the Living God
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

*Passing of the Peace

Scripture Reading (from "Psalms for Praying" by Nan Merrill)

Psalm 40

L: I waited patiently for the Beloved, who heard my cry and came to me.

P: **Love raised me from the pits of Despair, out of confusion and fear, and set my feet upon a rock making my steps secure.**

L: There is a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to the Beloved. May many see and rejoice; may they put their trust in Love.

P: **Blessed are those who make Love their home, who do not turn to the proud, to those who follow false idols!**

L: O Beloved, how wondrous are your gifts to us; your thoughts are beyond imagination. What joy to live in Oneness with You! Were we to proclaim and tell of Your beauty and blessed grace, Who could measure it?

P: **Sacrifice and offering are not your desire for us; for, you have opened our heart's ear; burn't offerings are not required.**

L: My heart affirms my surrender; in the Book of Life it is written: "I abandon myself into your hands, for I love You and wish only to create with You, O my Beloved; For You are the Life of my life forever."

P: **I tell the glad news of Love's way to all who will listen. Yes I raise my voice, with praise and acclamation. I tell of Love's saving grace within my heart; I speak of Love's faithfulness and healing power. I aspire to reveal your steadfast love and truth through the witness of my life.**

L: Do not, O Beloved, withhold your mercy from me; let your Love, your Light, and faithfulness ever guide and uphold me. For fears so often overwhelm me. My desires and anger cause me to be blind; so I look away when I see injustice, my heart becomes cold. In your mercy, O Beloved, deliver me! O Love, make haste to help me! Let my fears be put to rest, fears that separate me from You;

P: **Let all that keeps me from love, from peace and gratitude, be transformed within me. And may all who seek Love rejoice and be glad; May all who would live truth and justice, continually call upon Love! As for me, though often broken and weak, I know that Love dwells within. For now, where injustice or illusion make their home, I witness to your Peace and Love, O Teacher and Friend to All!**

Sermon

“Echoes of the Soul: Patient Endurance”

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

*Hymn 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Abide With Me

William Monk

Diane Rutzler, guest organist

*Doxology (Tune: “Old Hundredth”)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

O Lord, take our minds and think through them; take our lips and speak through them; take our lives and live out your life; take our hearts and set them on fire with love for thee; and guide us ever by thy Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Gathering Hymn 525 *Let Us Break Bread Together*

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving/The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul!

P: **And bless God’s holy name!**

L: Bless the Lord, O my soul!

P: **And forget not God’s benefits.**

*Hymn 463

How Firm a Foundation

*Benediction

Postlude

Eternal Father, Strong to Save
Diane Rutzler, guest organist

John Dykes

CHPC WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, July 8

1 p.m. — Quilters & Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room

Tuesday, July 9

A.A. Big Book Study; Fellowship Hall

Saturday, July 13

9:30 a.m. — PW Second Saturday Breakfast; Silver Spring Diner

Sunday, July 14

8 a.m. — Men's Bible Study, Green Room

9:30 a.m. — Worship Service; Sanctuary

10:45 a.m. — Session/Board of Deacons Retreat; Fellowship Hall

IT'S HAPPENING AT CHPC

- All women are invited to attend the **Dorcas Circle luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, July 11, at Pizza Grille** on Gettysburg Road, Camp Hill. **Please RSVP by Tuesday, July 9,** to Gail Mark at (717) 763-0845 or Joann Fissel at (717) 732-0886.
- **Visitation Pastor Don Potter will be out of town Thursday, July 11, through Sunday, July 28.** Please call or email the church office for pastoral needs.
- Please note that the church's carpeting was professionally cleaned last week. To help us preserve its appearance, **we ask that all beverages carried anywhere outside of Fellowship Hall have a lid.** Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!
- Plan now to attend our **Fall Women's Retreat**, "Autumn: God's Colorful Invitation to Spiritual Growth." **It will be held from 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, to noon on Sunday, Nov. 10, at Spruce Lake Retreat Center in Canadensis, Pa.** All women are invited to join us for this time of prayer, fellowship, rest, and renewal in the beauty of autumn in the Poconos. Total cost for lodging and meals is \$250 per person. **Please email Pastor Nancy by Wednesday, July 31, to reserve your spot.**
- Our new fiscal year started July 1. **Offering envelopes** for those who still wish to use them are **available in the Gathering Place.** And, it's not too late to **mail, email, or drop off your Estimate of Giving Card to the office!**
- **Chancel flower donors are needed for all Sundays in August.** Please contact Dolores Peffley at dwpeffley@gmail.com.
- CHPC's **Backpack and School Supplies project** benefits **Steelton-Highspire School District students** whose families are struggling with meeting basic needs and don't have the resources to provide adequate school supplies. **Lists of needed items are available in the Gathering Place, as is a box in which to place donations.** Monetary donations (made out to CHPC with "BASS" in the check memo line) also are great for purchasing any extra needs. **Please make all donations by Sunday, Aug. 4.**
- As a Community Aid partner, we receive checks reflecting the amount of donations made to our two bins (located in the parking lot). **Those funds are used to support CHPC Preschool scholarships for families in need.** Please drop clothing items you are donating in the bins; if you have household items, please take them to the Community Aid store/donation center and tell them our **Partner Number is 10220.**

CHPC LEADERSHIP

Our leadership structure exists to create ministry opportunities for congregants to share the gifts endowed upon them by the Holy Spirit.

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Deacon Ann Kalata; Deacon Susan Steele, Deacon Josh Wiedt



STATEMENT OF WELCOME & INCLUSION

As followers of Jesus, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We are committed to creating an inclusive space of belonging and safety. Therefore, this community of faith welcomes into full participation, membership, and leadership persons of diverse age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, level of education, class, and income.

Rooted in the Reformed tradition, we affirm that “God alone is Lord of the conscience,” allowing for a breadth of diverse theological and biblical interpretations. We covenant to accept, respect, and love one another as we apply our faith in the circumstances of our lives and in the matters of our world.

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