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ALTAR FLOWERS:

Joanna Ayres, in memory of Shu-Mei Yen.

Joanna Ayres, in honor of Mike & Jade Yen.

ELDERS:

Class of 2009—John Baittinger, Lisa Decker, Ann Lowell, Sam Wilber

Class of 2010—Lynn Ingram, Dorothy Nicholas, Alicia Shussett, Joe Smits

Class of 2011—Ron Gingrich, Sue Vitale, Tom Lawall, Jim Millick

DEACONS:

Class of 2009—Carolyn Baittinger, Sally Heimbach, John Stewart, Chuck Waters

Class of 2010—Peter Ferguson, Larry Hemberger, Debbie Lillegard, Melanie Shimer

Class of 2011—Darlene Dourney, Zona Farmer, Don Piper, Hank Rath

**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:15 AM AUGUST 16, 2009

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God of steadfast love, your works delight our hearts and expand our thoughts. Your grace and mercy draw us together to praise you and celebrate your wonderful deeds. Dwell among us today, and reign within the lives of each one gathered here, helping us to grow in discernment and understanding. Grant wisdom and courage that we may walk in your ways and keep your commandments. Amen.

THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship. Please use the prelude time to listen for God's invitation to praise Him.

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

Melanie Shimer, piano

"Here I Am to Worship"

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

WORDS & MUSIC BY TIM HUGHES

ARR. BY CAROL TORNQUIST

WELCOME

***SONG FOR ASSEMBLY**

"For Surely I Know the Plans"

G. S. OATEN

Come gather my friends and see,
The Fruits of the Spirit lived out:
As we see Jesus in One and all,
We rise to administer grace.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God is gracious and merciful and trustworthy;

Let us join our voices in giving thanks.

THE WORKS OF GOD ARE ALL AROUND US. THOSE WHO SHARE IN GOD'S WORK LACK FOR NOTHING.

We are called to faithfulness, as God is faithful.

We are people of the covenant, gathered to please God.

HOLY AND AWESOME IS GOD'S NAME. THE FEAR OF GOD IS THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM.

Come, then, as wise and faithful people.

Come as a beloved community of the redeemed.

WE ARE AMAZED THAT GOD REMEMBERS US. WE REACH OUT TO THE GOD WHO CARES FOR US.

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*HYMN #476

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

LYONS

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

O GOD, WE CONFESS THAT WE HAVE LIVED SO COMFORTABLY IN THE ABUNDANCE OF OUR TIMES THAT WE HAVE MADE *THINGS* OUR GODS. WE SPEND OUR DAYS DREAMING OF AND WORKING FOR POSSESSIONS THAT CANNOT SATISFY. THE PURSUIT OF RICHES REPLACES THE QUEST FOR FAITH AND FAITHFUL RELATIONSHIPS. WE DO NOT KNOW YOU, GOD, AND OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHERS IS SUPERFICIAL AT BEST. REDEEM US, WE PRAY, FROM OUR SELF-DESTRUCTIVE WAYS AND RESTORE US TO YOUR COVENANT COMMUNITY. AMEN.

HYMN #572: KYRIE

Lord, Have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*HYMN #579: GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS

LORD'S PRAYER (*Please use "debts & debtors".*)

PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL – PG. 16

THE WORD OF GOD

WORD WITH THE CHILDREN: MELANIE SHIMER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON— PSALM 111

OT – Pg. 573 in the gray Bible, Pg. 531 in the blue Bible

(The leader will read the odd verses and the congregation will read the even verses.)

¹Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

²**GREAT ARE THE WORKS OF THE LORD, STUDIED BY ALL WHO DELIGHT IN THEM.**

³Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴**HE HAS GAINED RENOWN BY HIS WONDERFUL DEEDS; THE LORD IS GRACIOUS AND MERCIFUL.**

⁵He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶HE HAS SHOWN HIS PEOPLE THE POWER OF HIS WORKS, IN GIVING THEM THE HERITAGE OF THE NATIONS.

⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

⁸THEY ARE ESTABLISHED FOREVER AND EVER, TO BE PERFORMED WITH FAITHFULNESS AND UPRIGHTNESS.

⁹He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.

¹⁰THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS THE BEGINNING OF WISDOM; ALL THOSE WHO PRACTICE IT HAVE A GOOD UNDERSTANDING. HIS PRAISE ENDURES FOREVER.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—EPHESIANS 5:15-20

OT – Pg. 186 in the gray Bible, Pg. 183 in the blue Bible

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*HYMN #326

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

MORECAMBE

GOSPEL LESSON—JOHN 6:51-58

NT – Pg. 93 in both Bibles

⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

SERMON

“Soul Food”

HENRY A. DISTLER, JR.

COMMISSIONED LAY PASTOR

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

Chas & Joel Shimer, vocal duet

"Thy Word"

WORDS & MUSIC BY AMY GRANT AND MICHAEL SMITH

*DEDICATION HYMN

"Freely, Freely"

CAROL OWENS

Freely, freely, you have received.
Freely, freely give.
Go in my name and because you believe
Others will know that I live.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—APOSTLES' CREED

PRESBYTERIAN HYMNAL – PG 14

In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of our salvation.

We believe in Christ and are marked, with the Holy Spirit, as Christ's own forever.

Living together in trust and hope,
We confess the faith of our baptism.

**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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #357

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

MARYTON

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Love God, and walk in the statutes that mark God's reign.
Let your worship continue throughout the week ahead.

**WE WILL REMEMBER GOD'S STEADFAST LOVE EVERY DAY.
WE SEEK TO WALK IN UPRIGHTNESS AND FAITHFULNESS OF HEART**

Live in awe before God, making the most of the time.
Shun destructive foolishness and ruinous excesses.

**WE ASPIRE TO BETTER DISCERNMENT BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL.
WE ASK FOR GREATER WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING.**

The grace and mercy of God go with you today.
God will keep covenant with you now and forever.

**WE ACCEPT THE LIVING BREAD THAT CAME FROM HEAVEN.
WE WILL WALK WITH CHRIST THROUGH LIFE'S VALLEYS.**

Amen. **AMEN.**

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Melanie Shimer, piano

"A Mighty Fortress is our God"

MARTIN LUTHER/RICHARD MULLINS

Awesome God"

ARR. BY CAROL TORNQUIST

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

* * * * *Latecomers may be seated.

Announcements

We welcome to the pulpit...

This morning, we welcome Pastor Henry A. Distler, Jr. as our guest preacher. Pastor Distler and his wife will celebrate their 39th wedding anniversary on August 29th. They have 3 married daughters who have blessed them with 6 grandchildren.

After retiring from teaching elementary and high school for 34 years, Pastor Distler began his preaching career. He has served his home church, United Presbyterian Church of Slatington, in many capacities, including service as an intern visiting the sick and shut-ins while moderating the deacons. During that time, took the Presbyterian courses necessary to become a Commissioned Lay Pastor.

Pastor Distler was then commissioned by the Lehigh Presbytery to serve The First Presbyterian Church of Hokendauqua as their Interim Commissioned Lay Pastor. During his three years at Hokendauqua, he completed the Interim Pastor training of the Presbyterian Church, USA. Pastor Distler's task at Hokendauqua ended May 1, 2009, when they called Reverend Joyce Smothers to be their full time pastor.



Pastor's Vacation

Pastor Roberta will be on vacation from August 13, through August 18.



Special Music for Summer

This morning's special music is offered by Melanie, Chas and Joel Shimer. We thank them for sharing the gift of their talent. Next Sunday, Eleanor Focht, our organist, will be on vacation. We will be treated to music offered by a Male Quartet, accompanied by Suzanne Seem.



Today is the deadline for the September issue of The Faith Flyer.



Prayer Chain

Through **August 23**, all Prayer Chain requests should be directed to **Debbie Lillegard**.
DLILLEGARD@LILLEGARDGROUP.COM or 610.366.0222



Nursery Volunteers Needed!

There will be no paid staff in the nursery this summer. Therefore it is necessary for congregation members to sign up for nursery duty. Consider helping with this ministry. One adult and one youth would be the perfect mix to oversee the children who need nursery care during our worship services this summer. A sign up sheet is on the door of the nursery. Please sign up for one or more Sundays.



Wedding Invitation

Katy Schaefer and Adreck McDonald would like to invite you to celebrate their wedding ceremony on September 5, 2009 at 2 p.m. here at Faith Presbyterian Church.



We're on the Web!

Our Faith Presbyterian Church website (<http://www.faithchurchemmaus.org>) is an incredible resource for access to our church news and information—available 24 hours a day. You can check out the bulletins days ahead of Sunday Worship. You can review past issues of The Faith Flyer. You can learn about our many committees...and so much more! Please direct questions and/or comments pertaining to our website to Mark Heimbach at mheimbach@yahoo.com.



Are you interested in joining Faith Presbyterian Church?

Please contact Ann Lowell at by phone: 610-398-8267; or by email: lowellga@ptd.net with any questions regarding the process of becoming a member of our church.

The next Membership Conversation series will take place in the Fall.



***250 Years of Worshiping Christ in Emmaus
Celebration August 16***

Settled by Moravians, Emmaus has a rich Christian heritage dating back 250 years. As the borough celebrates its history, Christians will gather together to thank God for so richly providing for all who came to settle here.

**Be part of the community prayer service this afternoon at 3:00!
St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church—415 S. Sixth Street, Emmaus**



Lend a Hand—Give a Can

The Mission Committee is extending the food drive thru Thanksgiving. During this difficult economic time there are even more families in need, especially in the summer months, with kids out of school and not receiving government assisted breakfasts and lunches. Please consider adding a few canned goods when you shop this week and bring them into Church. All donations are now being delivered to the Emmaus Food Bank.



Looking for help around the house or with yard work?

The leadership and children involved in the youth mission projects (Workcamp and Y2K) are willing to help in service projects for the congregation. These projects might involve yard work, simple painting, moving items and various other jobs you might need help accomplishing. Please talk with Diane Millick 610.366.1261, Lynn Ingram 610.966.0897 or Lisa Decker 610.966.4798 with any questions or requests.



Get Fed this Fall

Many of you are saying you are hungry for more of God in your life – through scripture and faith conversation with each other.

In September, you will have a chance to pull up a chair at God's table with time to feast on His word.

Using the daily devotional, *My Time with God: 15 Minute Devotions for the Entire Year*, we will read through the New Testament. Every day in *My Time with God*, there is also an Old Testament reading and an insight piece for reflection and discussion. There will be at least three weekly opportunities to join a discussion of what you hear God saying.

You may order the book from a variety of sources. Or, to get a copy at a discounted price of \$10 you may order thru Sue Vitale, 610 967-4689.



Fairly Traded Coffee

The Mission Committee is offering the congregation the opportunity to purchase Equal Exchange Fairly Traded Coffee. Both "regular" and "de-caf" drip coffee is available for \$7.00 per bag. Fairly traded coffee is served at our fellowship hour following worship if you'd like to get a taste before buying. Please look for the display on the table in Fellowship Hall. If paying by check, please write "Fair Trade Coffee" on the memo line.



What is Equal Exchange?

Equal Exchange was founded to create approach to trade that includes informed consumers, honest and fair trade relationships and cooperative principles. As a worker-owned co-op, they accomplish this by offering consumers fairly traded gourmet coffee direct from small-scale farmer co-ops in Latin America, Africa and Asia. More information can be found in the July/August issue of The Faith Flyer.



PEPper (Prayer Enthusiastic People)

PEPper is reorganizing and taking a break. We'll be back in the autumn. PEPper meets weekly on Thursdays from 6:30 am - 7:00 am for devotions and prayer before the start of the day. It's a great way to start the day.

For more information see Janie Slamon (610) 967-4899 or Louise Schaefer (610) 965-3544. All are welcome! Meetings will resume on September 10.



Birthdays

August 16—Clara Leigh Kennedy, Joyce Richards, Marilyn Rippon

August 17—Peter Ferguson, Margaret Mitchell

August 21—Clinton Leinweber

August 22—Graham Lowell



Faith Family Camping Weekend, Part 2

August 21, 22, & 23, 2009

Hooray! All of our camping sites are filled! Everyone is welcome! All ages and experiences!

Novices will be provided with the help they need to make their stay enjoyable!

There is still lots of room for “day” campers. If you would like to just come for a day and join us for the fellowship, fun and food, we’d love to have you. BUT! you must **let Jim Millick know by Wednesday August 19th.**

Activities include, but are not limited to, the following “ings”: praying, hiking, boating, eating, singing, swimming, wine tasting, relaxing, and laughing, along with the “3F’s”: food, fun, and fellowship!

If you have questions please contact Jim or Diane Millick at 610-366-1261.



Women of Faith Picnic

This year’s W.O.F. picnic will be held at Flo Bannister's home on **Friday, September 11th at 6:00 PM.**

FELLOWSHIP, FUN & FOOD!

A sign up sheet will be posted in the Fellowship Hall.



Joys & Concerns

Keep these people in your prayers!

Dave Weber, as he undergoes another round of chemo.

Joe Smits, on his continued recovery.

Bruce Yaeck, brother of **Joanne Rath**, as he recovers from a serious injury.

Lorraine Whaley, sister of **Kathy Hemberger**, on her recent cancer diagnosis and treatment.

The grandfather of **Chad Gorr**, as he continues his ongoing battle with ALS.

Emma Takacs, in her daily walk with cerebral palsy.

Blanche Ring, mother of **Debbie Lillegard**, under-going treatment for cancer.

All **church members** & their families who are experiencing job loss and economic uncertainty.

We respect your privacy. If you have a joy or a concern you would like printed in the bulletin, please contact your deacon, or call the church office (610) 967-5600.

In MILITARY SERVICE

Keep these people in your prayers!

Bethany Kauffman, niece of **Jim & Penny Pantano**, serving in the Middle East.

Charles Van Heest, grandson of **Kay & Dave Weber**.

Doug Durn, son of **Bob & Brynn Durn**.

Doland J. Miller, son-in-law of **George J. Smits**

Amanda and **Jeremy Miller**, grandchildren of **George J. Smits**.

Lucas Whittington, grandnephew of **Cliff & Donna Lucas**.



Lehigh Presbytery Churches

Please remember to pray for your brothers and sisters of the Lehigh Presbytery.

Hope of Christ Presbyterian Church, Summit Hill

Washington Presbyterian Church, Reading



Hank Rath

Deacon of the Month—Care Group # 10

Loretta Connor

Mitchell Connor

Mark Heimbach

Matthew Heimbach

Sally Heimbach

Stephen Heimbach

Bonnie Hillman

Jack Hillman

Hannah Lingold

Judith Lingold

Katherine Lingold

Phoebe Lingold

Ryan Lingold

Bruce Luff

Elizabeth Luff

Samuel Luff

Thomas Luff

Susan McCracken

Pam Mongi

Joe Payea

Laura Payea

Lauren Payea

Laurie Payea

Donald Perry

Helen Perry

Janie Slamon

Darcy Trop

Karen Trop

Kelly Trop

Bruce Wagner

Jean Wagner

Two Weeks of Faith

Room Numbers, indicating where meetings will be held (when known), are shown in parenthesis following the listing.

This Week

Sunday, August 16

FLYER DEADLINE

9:15 am—Worship Service

3:00 pm—Ecumenical Service @ St. Ann's Catholic Church in Emmaus

Monday, August 17

Tuesday, August 18

7:00 pm—PNC (Waters' home)

7:15 pm—Deacons (FH)

Wednesday, August 19 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

9:00 am—Emmaus Garden Club (FH)

Thursday, August 20

10:00 am—Flyer Crew (FH)

7-10 pm—Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 21

Faith Church Camping Weekend

Saturday, August 22

Faith Church Camping Weekend

Next Week

Sunday, August 23

9:15 am—Worship Service

Monday, August 24

7:00 pm—Christian Education

Tuesday, August 25

7:30 pm—Stewardship

Wednesday, August 26 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

Thursday, August 27

7-10 pm—Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29

7 am to 3 pm—Outside group using Fellowship Hall and 2 classrooms