

6^h Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

July 12th, 2020

“To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.”

Romans 8:6

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God loves us with a steadfast love.

P: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so!

L: God loves us so much he gave us his Son.

P: Let us believe and have eternal life!

L: God loves us with a great love, rich in mercy.

P: Let us have faith to receive this grace!

ALL: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN**

**“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”
“10,000 Reasons”**

No. 1

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord God, you command us not to covet our neighbor. We confess that we have failed. We so often feel that we need more money so we can have more things. Forgive us for being ungrateful for your blessings in our lives. We too often allow things to take the place in our hearts that rightfully belongs to you. Forgive us, Heavenly Father. Our greed reflects a lack of trust in your providence. We spend on things that rust or fade, or bring but momentary satisfaction, and we lack in generosity when it comes to spending our time and money for your kingdom. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to look not only to our own interests in this life, but to the interest of others. This we ask in the name of your precious Son, who gave his very life for us. Amen. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.

***HYMN**

“Turn Your Eyes on Jesus”

No. 340

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE

Ecclesiastes 2:18-24

ANTHEM

“Rock of Ages”

Roger Rettig

SECOND SCRIPTURE

Luke 12:13-21

SERMON

“The Rich Fool”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN**

“Be Thou My Vision”

No. 562

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

MONDAY 13th: 12 PM-5 PM Meridian Community Blood Drive
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study (Room 15)
TUESDAY 14th: 1 PM Charlotte's Small Group (Fellowship Hall)
WEDNESDAY 15th: 9 AM Coffee and Conversation
5 PM Community Dinner
SUNDAY 19th: 9 AM Worship Service 11 AM Worship Service
12 PM Community Lunch

SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE RESERVATIONS – Please call or email the church office during office hours (Tues-Thurs 9 AM – 1 PM) to reserve your time slot. Reservations can now be made **thru August 23rd!**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES WELCOME BACK TO SUNDAY WORSHIP! We are offering nursery care and junior church programs at our 11'oclock service only until further notice. We are still looking for help with our Junior church program. Summer curriculum is simplified and a lot of fun with the kids for about 20 minutes downstairs in the fellowship hall as it is cooler during the summer. If you would like to volunteer contact Mike Barton.

SUMMERBLAST UPDATE –SummerBlast as previously planned has been cancelled. Instead, a 2-day outdoor event is scheduled. Tuesday July 21st from 6 PM to 8 PM will be Craft & Water Night! On Friday, July 24th from 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM, we will gather for a Family Picnic & Movie Night! These events will be held only if the weather permits. Notify Mike Barton if you plan to attend.

VBS UPDATE – Vacation Bible School is planned for July 27 - 31st, 2020 from 5:45 PM - 7:45 PM. All activities will be held outdoors. VBS will be cancelled any day weather does not permit us to be outdoors. Register at www.meridianpres.org by July 17th.

BAKERS NEEDED – Our church has been asked to provide desserts for the Connoquenessing Meals on Wheels Program for August. If you can help, a signup sheet is in the library. Each item should be identified by baked good and date; please have it wrapped and freezer ready. No icing (icing on the side) or nuts. Items should be brought in by Sunday, August 2nd and put on the bench outside of Room 15. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE – All Church Picnic on August 30th at 10 AM! Picnic will be outdoors. Bring a lunch.

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