

15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM

September 18th, 2022

2 I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—² for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come to the water, all you who thirst, come drink deeply from the river of life.

P: Come to the water, all you who are weary, come rest in the quiet pools of God's love.

L: Come to the water, all you who long for justice, come be renewed in God's ever-flowing stream.

P: For God is here among us, washing away the dust and grime of our lives, and pouring out the Spirit on all who thirst. Let us worship God together.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMNS**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
“Speak, O Lord”

No. 210

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is nothing good in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto men in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His name. Amen. (Silent Confession)

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Believe the good news of the Gospel

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***CONFESSION RESPONSE: “Create in Me a Clean Heart”**

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY: “If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

Choir

***OFFERING RESPONSE: “Doxology”**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION – SENECA HILLS CHURCH RETREAT

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 4:7-15

ANTHEM

“Faith to Carry On”

Choir

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

SERMON

“Grumbling Hearts, Gracious God”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***HYMN**

“Amazing Grace”

No. 343

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

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

Ushers: Elders

Welcome Desk:

Liturgist: Bonnie Fiel

Greeters: Jesse & Journee Titus

Fellowship Hour: Autumn Moore

Child Care: Haley Holtgraver

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday:	10 AM	Worship & Sunday School
	6:30-8 PM	Youth Group
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
Thursday:	7 PM	Choir
September 25th:	10 AM	Worship & Sunday School
	12-2 PM	Club 35
	6:30-8 PM	Youth Group

BAPTISM- Today we welcome **Luke Albert Hitchcock**, son of Mark and Jessie Hitchcock into the church through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. We rejoice with the Hitchcocks today as Luke is marked by God and sealed for his purposes today. The rose on the table is in his honor.

MISSION- There will be a luncheon after church on Sunday, October 2nd at 11:00 AM where we will be packing Hygiene Kits. Pizza will be provided, please bring chips or a dessert to share. A signup sheet is located in the Library.

REGISTER NOW- October 7th-9th will be our All Church Retreat at Seneca Hills, our theme is Soul Keeping from Matthew 22. There will be programs for all ages. The 2 night stay is \$70 per adult or 1 night stay \$30 per adult, kids are free.

CLUB 35- Will meet Sunday, September 25th from 12-2 to kick off the fall season with a bible lesson, games, and lunch. Children grades 3rd through 5th are all welcome to attend!

SNOW REMOVAL- The Trustees are looking for someone to handle snow removal at the church this winter. If you are interested or know someone who is please contact one of the Trustees or Pastor Steve for more details.

BLOOD DRIVE- We will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, October 4th from 12-5 at Meridian Firehall. Please sign up at Redcrossblood.org if you are able to donate.

AGAPE FEAST- We are looking for volunteers to help with this month's Agape Feast on Wednesday, September 28th. A signup sheet is located in the Library.

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