

10:00 AM

13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 27th, 2023

⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Romans 12:6-8

PRELUDE

Debbe Picerno

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: This is your day

P: And we shall praise you!

L: This is your day

P: And we shall declare your name!

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P: And we shall worship our risen Savior and our King!

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMNS

“Blessed Assurance”

No. 572

“In Christ Alone”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, we gather today and recognize our need for You. We admit that it is easy to lose sight of Your goodness and purpose when faced with emotional, physical, and spiritual storms. Forgive us for the times we lack trust in Your promises. Help us hear Your voice and see You move in our ordinary day-to-day lives. In Jesus 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

“All in All”

Sarah & Sadie Tarr

*OFFERING RESPONSE:

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN’S SERMON

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 29:4-14

ANTHEM

“The Summons”

Sarah Tarr

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:42-47

SERMON

“Community Minded”

Rev. Dr. Stephen Franklin

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*HYMN

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

No. 435

POSTLUDE

Debbe Picerno

*Those who are able please stand.



Ushers:

Welcome Desk: Susan Mossgrove

Liturgist: Autumn Moore

Greeters: Connie Lamb

Fellowship Hour: Emily Sproule

Child Care: Pam Greb

<u>THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR</u>		
Sunday:	10 AM	Worship
	1 PM	Church Picnic
Monday:	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday:	1 PM	Quilting
Wednesday:	9 AM	Coffee & Conversation
	7 PM	Choir
Sunday, September 3rd:	10 AM	Worship & Communion

MISSION COMMITTEE-The mission committee will be collecting items for hygiene kits for Convoy of Hope. There is a signup sheet in the library for the items that we are collecting. We will be packing 200 kits this year. You may donate as many items as you would like. Please place all donated items in the library by September 10th.

COMMUNION PREP CLASS- We are having Communion Prep class for 3 weeks starting Sunday Sept. 17th, Sept 24th during our Sunday School hour & Oct 1st at 9 AM before worship. This is for kids in 2nd grade and above.

CHOIR PRATICE- Choir practice will be held every Wednesday at 7 PM and is resuming on Wednesday, August 30th. Please see Debbe if you have an interest in joining the choir.

KITCHEN CLEAN UP- Lori McCann is organizing a kitchen clean up day. There is a signup sheet in the library if you would like to help. She will be scheduling a day and time soon, please see Lori for more information.

CHURCH PICNIC- Join us today at 1:00 PM at the Slear's property (107 Connemara Lane Butler, PA 16001).

VICKI'S RETIREMENT – Vicki is retiring at the end of this summer. We invite you to join us in worship on September 10th as we honor her years of faithful service, followed by a luncheon in McCaslin Hall. A signup sheet is available in the library.

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF- Join us September 17th following worship for the return of Sunday School! We would love to add more volunteers help teach our junior church and Sunday school programs. Please contact Laura at kidsmin@meridianpres.org if you would like more information.

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