

40 years ago, on May 17th, the first worship service in the newly constructed Peace United Church of Christ building was held at 10:30.

Dick or Stephanie Palsgrove will be in the Narthex before and after worship if you would like to support them as they walk for Relay For Life. You may also purchase or get more information about Luminaries.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Alan Hassler Casey Coble Pat Burky
Ginger Good Nick Zelgin Orpha King
Friend of Kendra & Matt Lisa Hoffman and Family

COMING EVENTS

Sun, May 16 – OCWM Certificate Presentation
Tues, May 18 – Baking Bunch – 7:00 am
 Stewardship – 7:00
 Women's Devotions – 7:00
Weds, May 19 - Bell Choir Rehearsal – 7:00
Sun, May 23 – Young Adult Gathering – 6:30
May 27-31 – Pastor Bill vacation – Selina will lead worship
June 6 – Last Day of Sunday School Breakfast
 Young Adult Gathering
June 13 – No Sunday School – 10:30 worship
Mon, June 14 – VBS Meeting – 7:00
Sun, June 20 – Summer Worship Hours begin – 9:00 worship
June 20 – 24 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – Volunteers are needed,
 please see the sign-up sheet on the secretary's window.
 Registration forms are located outside the office.

The May items for the **Peace Pantry** to be donated to EASS are jelly, cake mixes and tuna.

If you will be graduating from high school or college this year, please give your name, school and degree to the church office.

Health and Welfare are looking for people to serve as sponsors for our Special Care and Concern members. If interested, please speak with Kathryn Fitterling or Pastor Bill.

PEACE

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Denver, Pennsylvania

*To all who are weary and need rest; to all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who pray and to all who do not but ought; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will come – this church opens wide the door and says in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,
WELCOME!*



Sunday after Ascension
May 16, 2010

Thought Before Worship

**By faith let us live for those things that are of lasting value:
Truth, Justice, Purity, Love!**

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"God Is Ascended"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor- God calls us to a ministry of love.

People- Beloved, let us love one another.

Pastor- We are called to love our parents and our children, our friends and our neighbors.

People- For love is from God.

Pastor- We are called to love the neighbor that hurt our feelings, the parent who was cruel, and the co-worker who is selfish.

People- Everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

Pastor- We are called to love even the people we cannot see.... in inner city tenements, in far off wars, in repressive regimes.

People- Although it can be difficult, we who love God must love all of God's children.

Pastor- May we accept God's call to this mysterious ministry as we worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

AMEN.

***OPENING HYMN "Lord, Speak to Me".....no. 625**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Awesome and compassionate God, You have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not always loved you. You constantly call to us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love one another, but we turn away from strangers and walk away from neighbors in need- all because we are wrapped up in our own concerns. We fail to see the evil, prejudice and greed that is within us all.

God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, we admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. AMEN.

+SILENT PRAYER

(please use this time to confess your personal sins)

+KYRIE

+WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Pastor- God knows our need before we ever ask. God knows our sins and bestows forgiveness before we ever pray! Rejoice and be glad, for in Christ we are all forgiven!

People- In Christ we are made new. AMEN.

***GLORIA PATRI.....no. 142**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON Acts 16:16-34 pg. 900

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Great Is the Lord"*

GOSPEL READING John 17:20-26 pg. 880

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

***THE CREED.....inside front cover of hymnal**

***HYMN "Revive Us Again".....no. 574**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *"Meditation"*

***OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 382**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN "Pass It On".....no. 641**

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE *"Praise God"*

(those who are able please *- stand, +-kneel)

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Pastor.....Rev. William E. Hoch (717.335.0387)

Organist.....Mrs. Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Student Pastor.....Mrs. Selina Hamilton

Secretary.....Mrs. Lori Patterson

Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madera

Altar Guild Workers.....Audrey Youndt & Sally Romich

Acolyte.....Adam Good

Greeters.....Dale & Donna Reinhart

Head Usher.....Ray Wolverton

Attendance for May 9.....133

Offering for May 9.....\$3,089.00

Amount needed each week to meet budget.....\$3,505.00

The Altar flowers are given by Beatrice Stauffer and sons, Fred & Randy, in memory of loved ones.