

The Stewardship Committee thanks everyone for the giving of their time, talent and treasure to the ministry of Peace Church. Your gifts are all greatly appreciated. However the economy has made this a difficult summer. While we do not want to constantly be asking for additional funds, any additional support that you could offer would be greatly appreciated. Thank you again for all that you do to support the mission and ministry of Peace Church!

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Carol Parker	Jim Gordon	Dick Sweigart
Casey Coble	Marianne Dobson	Carlos
Mike Bezler	Betty Kilakis	

#### COMING EVENTS

Tues, Sept 7 – Council Meetings  
Weds, Sept 8 – Health and Welfare Dinner Meeting at home of Erla Hartranft – 6:00  
Sun, Sept 12 – Rally Day, we return to our fall schedule –  
Sunday School at 9:00 (everyone welcome for breakfast starting at 8:45), Worship at 10:30, Mini Golf at Manetas 4:00  
Mon, Sept 13 – Benevolence Committee – 7:00  
Weds, Sept 15 – Choir Rehearsal begins – 7:00  
Tues, Sept 21 – Baking Bunch – 7:00 am  
Stewardship Meeting – 7:00  
Sat, Sept 25 – Altar Guild place Harvest Home items in church 9:00am  
Sun, Sept 26 – Confirmation Class Begins following worship  
Harvest Home celebrated during morning worship

The Stewardship Committee will be meeting this Fall with committees and members of the church to generate ideas for growth and stability in difficult times. These gatherings will be limited as to time and will focus on a few essential questions:

- ❖ What are the greatest strengths/assets of Peace Church?
- ❖ What are the strengths within the church that are yet untapped?
- ❖ What gifts or strengths do you possess or see in others that could help build or strengthen the church?
- ❖ What are some of the opportunities or avenues before us through which we could reach out to new members?
- ❖ How would you describe your church to someone else?

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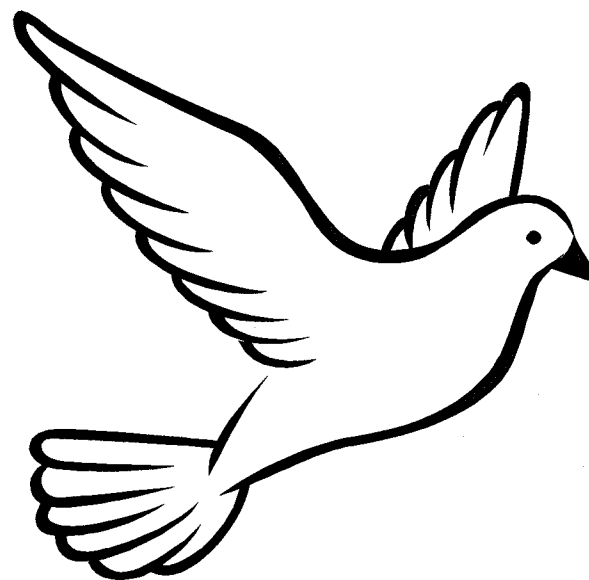
# PEACE

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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*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!*



Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 5, 2010

**Thought Before Worship**

**Above the cloud with its shadow is the star with its light.**

**Gold Hymnal**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: Whether we are gathered in this place or scattered by the four winds – God is with us!

**People: God is present among us!**

Pastor: Whether or not we are aware of it, feel it or believe it, God is with us. God was here before we arrived, so we need not ask God to be present, we simply need to recognize it.

**People: God is present among us!**

Pastor: Whether or not we are aware of it, feel it or believe it, God seeks us. Before we loved God, God loved us. We need not ask God to accept us or love us!

**People: God seeks us and loves us!**

Pastor: Let us be awaked to the presence, the love and the acceptance of God as we worship together in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

**\*HYMN “How Great Thou Art”.....no. 2**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**+PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, you created us out of love, calling us to choose blessings and to delight in your word; instead we choose to follow our own nature and our own wills. Rather than seeing freedom in your decrees, we see constraints. We convince ourselves that we know better than you do. We make choices that hurt others and lead us away from you. Forgive us for the many ways we fall short in what we do. Forgive us for the many things we simply fail to do. Forgive our stubbornness, our blindness and our silence.**

**Remind us, O God, that our sins do not only affect us, but reach out and touch the lives of others – those we love and those we may not even know. Forgive us, O God, and instill in us a desire to grow in our faith and in our discipleship, that we might grow in our faith and help build your Kingdom here and now; we ask all this in Christ Jesus our Savior. AMEN.**

**+SILENT PRAYER** (please use this time to confess your personal sins)

**+KYRIE**

**+WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Pastor: Beloved of the Lord, God’s mercy is from everlasting to everlasting. Through the life, death and resurrection of our Savior all our sins are forgiven!

**People: In Christ Jesus we are made fresh and new once again!**

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

**YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE**

**EPISTLE LESSON** Deuteronomy 30:15-20 pg. 163

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Sheree Wolf*

**GOSPEL READING** Luke 14:25-33 pg. 850

**MESSAGE**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

**\*HYMN “Fairest Lord Jesus”.....no. 240**

**OFFERING/OFFERTORY**

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

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD’S PRAYER**

**\*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**\*HYMN “The God of Abraham Praise”.....no. 332**

**CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)**

**POSTLUDE**

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

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Organist.....Mrs. Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Student Pastor.....Mrs. Selina Hamilton

Secretary.....Mrs. Lori Patterson

Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Mildred Krick & Janet Mattis

Acolyte.....Adam Good

Greeter.....Sheree Wolf

Head Usher.....Pat Wolf

Attendance for August 29.....124

Offering for August 29.....\$2,605.50

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

The Altar flowers are given by Rosie Johnston in memory of loved ones.