

Thought Before Worship

I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen; not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Largo"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: To gather together as one people is a gift and Jesus has invited us to come!

People: We receive this gift with gratitude and respond in grateful worship. We offer ourselves fully to God and to God's service!

Leader: Enter into God's presence! Sing, dance and pray – Worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

***HYMN**

"You Servants of God, your Master Proclaim".....no. 360

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and merciful God we know that you hear us, before the words are on our lips, you hear our cry. We confess that we do not always hear you, nor do we listen. We are hurting. We are sick, we are lost, we are sinful. We hold secrets that only you know. We know that you have the power to heal, find and forgive. But we do not always turn to you.

Forgive us, O God. Bring peace where there is anxiety, hope where there is despair, mercy where there is sin and failure. We cry out because you are near and because you are the only one with the power and the grace to restore us. Lord, in the name of Christ Jesus, have mercy upon us. AMEN.

+SILENT PRAYER

(please use this time to confess your own personal sin)

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In our moments of need and failure we come before God because God has never let us down. God's faithfulness is sure and in God we are forgiven.

People: God is just. God is merciful. God is faithful. God's grace abounds. Alleluia. AMEN.

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

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 11:1-9 pg. 8

SPECIAL MUSIC "Wonderful, Merciful Savior" Tyler Rutt

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 14:25-33 pg. 850

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

***HYMN**

"Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated".....no. 458

OFFERING/OFFERTORY "Healing Rain" Tyler Rutt

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN "Softly and Tenderly".....no. 432**

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE

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

Church website.....www.peaceunitedchurch.org

Pastor (pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org) ... William Hoch (335.0387)

Organist.....Mrs. Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Secretary (secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org)...Mrs. Beverly Madara

Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Janet Mattis, Mardel Lausch & Mary Getz

Acolyte.....TBD

Greeters.....John & Heidi McDonough

Head Usher.....Fred Romich

Attendance for Sept 1.....64

Offering for Sept 1.....\$1,318.00

Month to Date Offering.....\$1,318.00

Amount needed to meet budget.....\$15,430.08

The Altar Flowers are given in memory of our parents by Bill & Margaret Harting.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Dawn Gehman
Glenna Brensinger

Jeff Moyer
Royce McCrabb

Ron Burky
Terry Fasnacht

COMING EVENTS

Monday, September 9th – Benevolence Committee – 7:00

Tuesday, September 10th – Spiritual Council – 6:30

Church Council – 7:00

Wednesday, September 11th – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00

Sunday, September 15th – Children's Ministry – 8am

Reception of new members

Wednesday, September 18th – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00

Thursday, September 19th – Bible Study – 10 am

Sunday, September 29th – Harvest Home – We will be collecting non-perishable food items for EASS. Any financial donations will be used for the EASS fuel assistance program. Your contribution of non-perishable items can be placed in the Peace Pantry or brought to the church on Saturday, Sept 28 by 10 am. The Altar Guild will then arrange them as a display during our morning worship.

SPECIAL CARE AND CONCERN COMMUNION WORSHIP AND DINNER

Sunday, October 6th is World Communion Sunday. On this day we offer a special 3:00 afternoon communion service for our Special Care and Concern members, their Sponsors and anyone else who might like to attend. A dinner with entertainment will follow the service. Please RSVP to Erla Hartranft at [717-484-4573](tel:717-484-4573) by September 29th or to the church office if you would like to attend and need transportation at [717-484-4400](tel:717-484-4400).

We have had a request to provide meals for Ron and Maxine Burky. To provide a meal go online to www.takethemameal.com. Enter the last name: Burky and the password: RMB2013. This will take you to a schedule page where you can sign up. **If you do not have a computer, please call the church to schedule a meal [717-484-4400](tel:717-484-4400).**

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!*



September 8, 2013
Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time