

Thought Before Worship

Why do we forgive?

Because we don't want to turn into creatures of bitterness locked up in the past, our lives dominated by hurt rather than love.

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord says, "Be still and know that I am God!"

People: We have come to this sacred hour that we might know our God!

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory and the majesty of God!

People: Everywhere we look we are able to see something of God!

Leader: As we encounter God in this place, as we go forth from this place, may others see something of God in us, hear something of God in our words, and know that God is near! **AMEN.**

*HYMN "Come, Christians, Join to Sing".....no. 342

*CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that we want an easy path set before us. We want to know what to expect at each moment and at each turn. We don't want to be called on to assume new challenges or go where we have not been before.

Forgive us when we find excuses not to follow the path set before us. Forgive us when we think that it is too hard or we are too good. Forgive us when we rely on our own abilities and strengths and fail to trust in you. Forgive us when we refuse to hear and believe that you will be with us. Forgive us for all that is past and free us that we might live a new and living faith in you, all through the grace of Christ our Savior. AMEN.

+SILENT PRAYER

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

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Our God is a God of love and mercy. By God's grace we are forgiven that we might walk in newness of life!

People: God has given us the grace to begin again. Let us begin to live as the children of light. AMEN.

*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 142

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON James 1:19-25 pg. 980

SPECIAL MUSIC "Shenandoah" Bell Solo

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 7:1-8 pg. 818

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

*HYMN "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus".....no. 621

OFFERING/OFFERTORY "Be Thou My Vision" Bell Solo

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

*HYMN "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus".....no. 616

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.....Nancy Reese and Lillian Messner

Greeters..... Cindy and Matt Anthony

Head Usher.....Pat Hall

The altar flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Mr. and Mrs. John Haldeman.

We thank Cindy Anthony for providing our Special Music this morning!

Committee Chairpersons – Please submit Budget requests to the Church office as soon as possible. Thank you.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Royce McCrabb	Dana Keckler	Mildred Krick
Kathryn Light	Doris Fultz	Margaret Gress
Slats Trostle	Alan Miller	Karen Pannebecker
Betty Leisey	Cliff Youndt	

COMING EVENTS

Monday, August 31st – Benevolence Meeting – 6:00 pm
Tuesday, September 1st – Bible Study 1:00 pm – This week we will begin a new study. We will be starting to look at the laws and codes as expressed in the Book of Leviticus beginning in Chapter 11.
Tuesday, September 1st – Health and Welfare Meeting at Erla’s – 5:30
Tuesday, September 8th – Council Meetings – 6:30/7:00 pm
Sunday, September 13th – Church Picnic following our Traditional Service.
Wednesday, September 16th – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm
Choir will sing on Sunday

Fall Hours - After additional consideration the Church Council has decided that Sunday School and Worship for the Fall will be as follows:

Contemporary Worship – 8:30 am
Sunday School – 9:30 am
Tradition Worship – 10:30 am

These hours will take effect on the Sunday following Labor Day, September 13th.

The Health and Welfare Committee has placed a number of prayer shawls in the Narthex. If you know someone who would be comforted with one, we invite you to take one and share it with them.

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!*



August 30, 2015
Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time