

### Thought Before Worship

Listen with regard when others talk. Give your time and energy to others; let others have their own way; do things for reasons other than furthering your own needs.

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### Gold Hymnal

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Take a moment and breathe deeply – God is in this place.  
Listen to and in the silence – listen for the still small voice.  
Listen to the beating of your heart – each beat is a gift.  
Think about everything God has done for you, for your family, for this church and give thanks!

**People: We thank you, O God, for all you have done, for all you are doing and for all you have yet to do!**

Leader: Now let us come and Worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

\*HYMN “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”.....no. 349

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### +PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Merciful God, we confess that we say the very thing we do not want to say, with words that are angry, reactionary, thoughtless, self-righteous and mean-spirited. We speak when we should remain silent, and we remain silent when we should speak with boldness for the sake of love and justice. We cannot tame our wild and rebellious tongues on our own.

We ask for your forgiveness and for your deliverance. Restore and redeem us, that our mouths might declare the wonder of your grace, the beauty of your creation and the joy of being your forgiven sons and daughters. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN.

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

#### +KYRIE

#### +ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: On our own we remain broken and burdened by our sin. But in Christ we are forgiven and set free!

**People: In Christ we walk in freedom and in love as the renewed children of God! AMEN.**

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

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Proverbs 22:1-9 pg. 527

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 14:1-14 pg. 849

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

\*HYMN “Take My Life and Let It Be”.....no. 458

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD’S PRAYER

\*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

\*HYMN “Be Thou My Vision”.....no. 468

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE

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

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Pastor ([pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org](mailto:pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org)) .....William Hoch (335.0387)

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Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Secretary ([secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org](mailto:secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org)).....Mrs. Beverly Madara

Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Janet Mattis and Mary Getz

Greeters.....Jack and Mary Bernstel

Head Usher.....Mary Getz

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The altar flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Rosie

Johnston.

### 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, September 7<sup>th</sup> – LABOR DAY

Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> – Bible Study – 1:00 pm

Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> – Spiritual Council – 6:30 pm

Church Council – 7:00 pm

Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> – Church Picnic following our Traditional Service.

Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

Choir will sing on Sunday

Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> – Chicken BBQ

Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> – Harvest Home – On Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, please bring non-perishable food items to the church.

These will be displayed in front of our Sanctuary as a way to celebrate God's goodness and provisions. They will then be sent to Ephrata Area Social Services to be shared with others.

Any financial gifts for Harvest Home will be passed on to the Power Packs Program.

Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> – Children's Ministry Meeting – 6:30 pm

World Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. That afternoon at 3:00 we will provide a Communion Service for our Special Care and Concern members and their sponsors. A dinner will follow. Anyone eating alone that day is invited to join us for dinner. We do ask that you speak with Erla Hartranft or Janis Hoch so that we might be prepared for everyone who attends.

**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 13<sup>th</sup>.

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.

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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!*



September 6, 2015

Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time