

The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.

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### Gold Hymnal

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come together as seekers.

**People: That we might learn what God would have us do and where God would have us go.**

Leader: We come together to renew our faith.

**People: To know how to love one another, forgive ourselves and each other and serve one another in the fullness of God's love.**

Leader: To our God who is the source of goodness and love, we offer ourselves in loving service! **AMEN.**

**\*HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" .....no. 337**

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### +PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and gracious God, in Christ all things are made new, including us. Yet, we confess that the "old self" often has more sway than the "new self". We are plagued by fear, worry and doubt despite our new identity as your beloved children. Anger, resentment and hatred wreak havoc in our relationships, even though you are the Prince of Peace. We are consumed with regrets, shame and guilt despite the forgiveness you freely give us. We want it to be otherwise, Lord! We want to live fully in the joy of your salvation. Through your forgiving love reconcile us to you and to one another, that we may trust in your goodness, and rest in your grace. AMEN.**

#### +SILENT PRAYER

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

#### +KYRIE

#### +ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: What we receive by the love and grace of God is: forgiveness, mercy and peace that surpasses all understanding.

**People: Our Lives and our Spirits are renewed by the love and Grace of God. AMEN.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 338**

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON Acts 9:30-43 pg. 894

CHOIR ANTHEM "Precious Lord"

GOSPEL LESSON John 10:11-18 pg. 872

#### MESSAGE

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

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

**\*HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story" .....no. 619**

#### OFFERING/OFFERTORY

**\*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 356**

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

#### \*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

**\*HYMN "He Leadeth Me" .....no. 606**

Let There Be Peace on Earth Gold Hymnal no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

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

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Treasurer.....Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Sylvia Leach and Linda Coventry

Greeters.....Linda Coventry and Vaye Freeman

Head Usher.....Mary Getz

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The Altar flowers are given in celebration of God's abundance and grace by Heidi and John McDonough.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Doris Fultz	Carol Parker	Ron Parker
Arlene Styer	John Woodcock	Katie Miller
Sully Madara		

#### COMING EVENTS

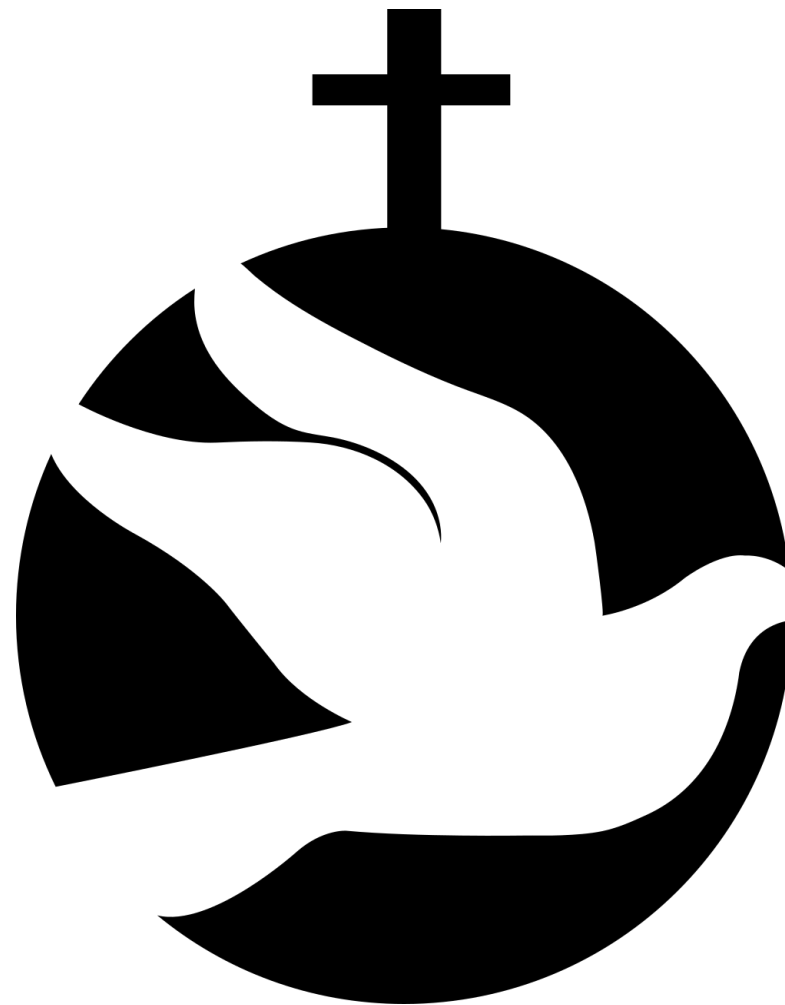
Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – Health and Welfare Sunday – Good Samaritan Shelter Speaker – Nate Hoffer  
Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> – Bell Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm  
Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> – Bible Study – 1:00 pm  
Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – Children's Ministry – 6:00 pm  
Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm  
Thursday, April 21 – Marketing Committee – 7:00 pm  
Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – Chicken BBQ

#### COMMUNITY and WIDER CHURCH EVENTS

Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> National Day of Prayer Breakfast at Weaver's Banquet Hall – 7-9 am. Tickets are available at church office.  
Cost - \$10

Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> – The Cocalico Educational Foundation will host a **CIVIL WAR LIVING HISTORY DAY** at the Cocalico High School. Please see office window for details.

# Peace United Church of Christ



April 17, 2016  
Health & Welfare Sunday