

There are many sayings about the proper way of worship or attitude of worship. But often God speaks best when we leave our notions at the door and just come as we are – open to God.

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“Fragment From an Etude”*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: We will rejoice and offer our praise.

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: We will seek God’s grace and mercy for our lives that we might be gracious and merciful to others!

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: We will seek God’s wisdom and understanding that we might live as the people of God!

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made! Rejoice, give thanks and be glad! **AMEN.**

*HYMN *“Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above”*no. 343

*CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful Savior, we are short-sighted and forgetful. With a word you created all that is, and your word still has power to deliver us from storms of doubt and fear. But, we fail to call on you. We rely on our own resources rather than trust yours. We muddle along in weakness, forgetting how readily available your strength is. Deliver us, gracious God. Calm the storm within us by being our peace, and renew us in love and trust. We ask it all in the name of Christ. AMEN.

+SILENT PRAYER

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

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God’s love casts out our fear. God’s grace forgives our sins. By God’s love we have new and everlasting life.

People: By God’s grace we can be at peace! AMEN.

*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 338

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON Revelation 22:1-7 pg. 1008

CHOIR ANTHEM *“Peace I Leave With You”*

GOSPEL LESSON John 14:23-29 pg. 877

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

*HYMN *“In the Garden”*no. 588

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *“Life Thine Eyes”*

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD’S PRAYER

*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

*HYMN *“O How I Love Jesus”*.....no. 634

Let There Be Peace on Earth Gold Hymnal no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

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

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

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

Student Pastor.....Gabrielle Kennedy

Organist.....Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Lois Haldeman

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

Treasurer.....Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Audrey Youndt and Sally Romich

Greeters.....Greg and Cindy Grill

Head Usher.....Amy Miller

The Altar flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Erla Hartranft and family.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Doris Fultz
John Woodcock
Shirley Endy

Carol Parker
Sully Madara

Ron Parker
John Baughman

COMING EVENTS

Monday, May 2 – Health and Welfare Event at Colonial Lodge –
6:30 pm

Tuesday, May 3 - Bible Study – 1:00 pm

Sunday, May 8 – Adult Ministry Dinner – 5:30 pm

Monday, May 9 – Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting at St.
Paul's Lutheran – 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 10 – Spiritual Council – 6:30 pm
Church Council – 7:00 pm

Sunday, May 15 - Youth will serve lunch following worship

Monday, June 6 – Health & Welfare Meeting – 7:00 pm

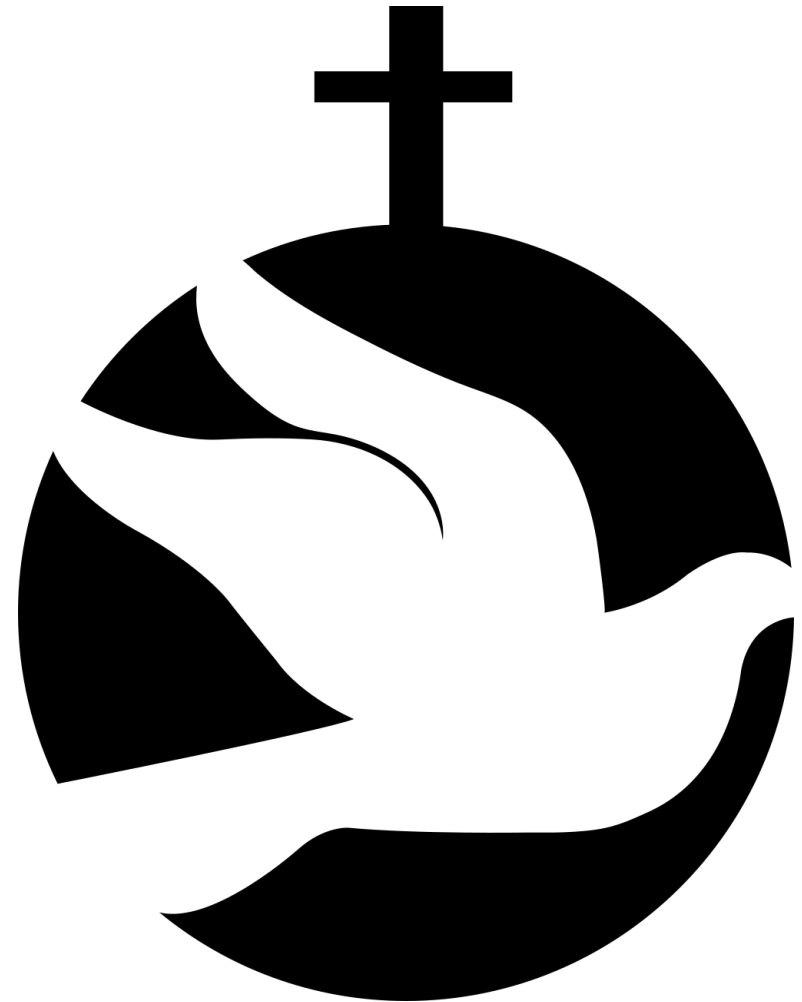
Adult ministry is presenting a show by THE DUAL COUNTY BLUE GRASS BAND on May 8 in the fellowship hall. Price of admission is \$5 and will include a chicken dinner which will take place at approximately 5:30 pm with the show to follow.

COMMUNITY and WIDER CHURCH EVENTS

Thursday, May 5th National Day of Prayer Breakfast at Weaver's Banquet Hall – 7-9 am. Tickets are available at church office or at the courtesy desk at Weaver's in Adamstown. Cost - \$10

Saturday, May 21st – 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



May 1, 2016
Sixth Sunday of Easter