

The practice of forgiveness is our most important contribution to the healing of the world.

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**Gold Hymnal**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PRELUDE *"In The Garden"*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader- In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God.

**People: All things came into being through him, without him nothing came into being.**

Leader: What has appeared in him was Life, and the Life was the Light of all people.

**People: The Light shines in the Darkness, and the Darkness cannot put it out.**

Leader: May the light of Christ be with us and within us as we worship. **AMEN.**

**\*HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King" .....no. 341**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**+PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of grace, we confess we have done little to advance your kingdom in this world. We have become bogged down with trivialities and lost sight of your vision of unity. We have allowed ourselves to be sidetracked with dissention instead of fostering unity among your people. We have focused on past pains which have embittered us instead of moving forward in establishing love as the law of life. Free us, we pray, from that which binds us. Enable us to be a people renewed in faith and love. We know that with you all things are possible, and so we ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus the Christ, AMEN.**

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

**+KYRIE**

**+ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Whatever is done for any of my children, it is done also to me. We are forgiven, let us forgive others and open our hearts to the joy of life anew.

**People: Let us open our lives to the love of our God. AMEN.**

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

BELL CHOIR *"Antiphonal Fanfare"*

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE**

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 pg. 926

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Great is the Lord"*

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 4:18-25 pg. 785

**MESSAGE**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

**\*HYMN "He Touched Me" .....no. 628**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *"River Flows in You"*

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

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

**\*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**\*HYMN "I Need Thee Every Hour".....no. 443**

Let There Be Peace on Earth Gold Hymnal no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE *"Toccata"*

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

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The Altar flowers are given in honor of our parents by Jon Kegerise family.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

*While we pray for those whose needs we know, let us also pray for those whose need remain silent.*

Doris Fultz

Bob Welliver

Kathy Schlegel

Sheree Wolf

Family Richard Tobias

**The Lancaster County Anti-Heroin Task Force is working to fight the heroin epidemic in our area.**

**The Mission of the Task Force and Community Forums is to:**

- Frame the issue of addiction and its impact
- Increase understanding of addiction – a treatable disease
- Share resources and substance abuse treatment options
- Reduce heroin-related deaths

We invite you to an informational meeting on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Cocalico High School Auditorium.

The Peace Pantry will be collecting white socks for homeless veterans in January and February.

**Lent begins Wednesday, March 1** – The theme for our Wednesday Evening Services is the Parable of Lent. We will explore: The Pharisee and the Tax Collector, The Sower and the Seed, The Hidden Treasure and the Priceless Pearl, The Good Samaritan, The Workers in the Vineyard, and The Prodigal Son.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

Monday, January 23<sup>th</sup> – Membership information gathering –  
7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> – Bible Study – 1:00 pm  
Drug/Heroin Information Program – 7:00pm

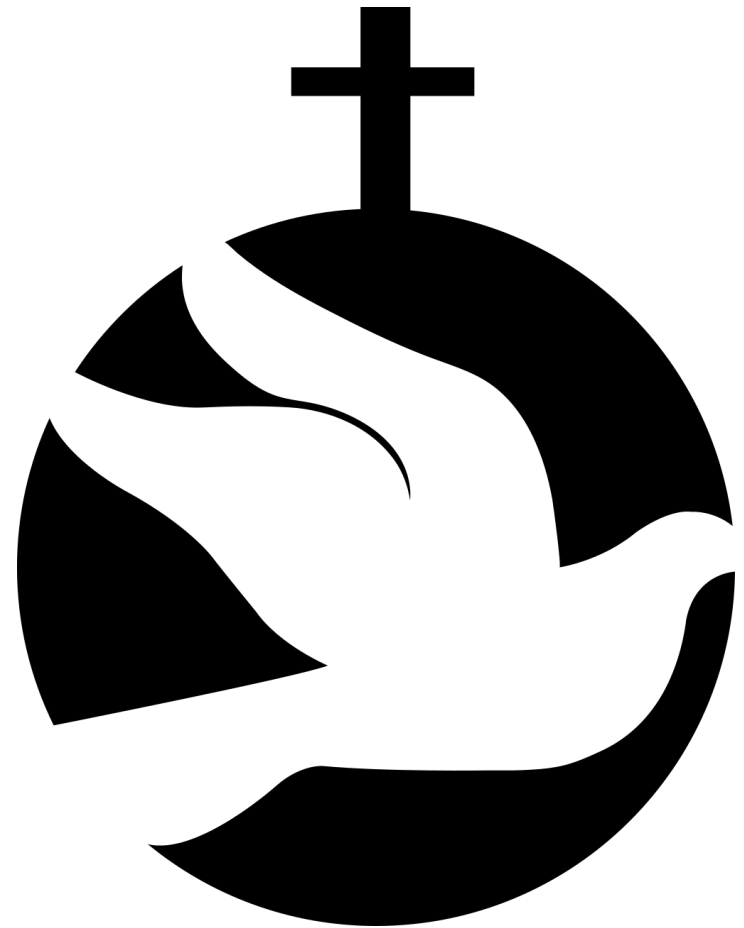
Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

If you are interested in joining Peace Church or would like to know more about us, please gather with us on Monday Evening, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Please check the office window and sign up to support our Youth in their ministry in our midst!

Sub and Chili Sale – subs and chili will be available for pick up on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

# Peace United Church of Christ



January 22, 2017  
Third Sunday After Epiphany