

Bethany Presbyterian, Johnstown, PA
MORNING WORSHIP October 27th, 2024
Proper 25

CALL TO WORSHIP **

L: We are called to be the people of God's kingdom.

P: In God's realm we will find healing and hope.

L: We are called to be people who love as God has loved us.

P: In God's world, we will reach out with God's love to all God's people.

L: We are called to be those who would serve.

P: Lord, be with us as we serve you by helping those in need.

HYMN "Open My Eyes, That I May See" #381

CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

L: We are the people of God, but scripture reminds us that we still sin. We need to confess our failures, knowing that the Lord Jesus intercedes for us with the Father, who freely forgives us, through his infinite goodness and mercy. So let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence and prayer together.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, we want the easy way out! When things go wrong, we want to find who to blame for our misfortune. When we don't get what we want, we want to punish whoever prevents us from our goals and desires. We act like spoiled children who want everything immediately, and who will become sullen and spiteful if we don't get what we ask for. We stopped listening to you. Greed and injustice have replaced your command to "love one another". And now we come to you, asking for forgiveness and healing. Our hearts and lives are empty without your love. Give us your life-sustaining bread. Heal our souls. Help us to truly worship you and to

willingly work for healing and hope in this your world. We ask these things through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: God has heard our cries and knows our anguish

P: Praise be to God who forgives all of us.

L: Friends, Believe the Good News

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

GLORIA PATRI

#623

CHURCH NEWS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please greet your neighbor with a hug or handshake or wave saying "The peace of Christ be with you")

REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Offertory

Doxology

#625

Prayer of Dedication**

Almighty God, we have so many reasons to say "thank you". Your generosity, grace, and mercy are astounding and we pray that the gifts we offer in worship and throughout the week might be used in your name. Help us to be generous with our money, but also with our talents and time. Strengthen us to recognize your blessings, to be grateful, and to respond accordingly. Amen

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament

Isaiah 50:4-7

New Testament

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Message Walking With Christ Bob Sheehan CRE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Responsive) "THE BELGIC CONFESSION"

L: What do you believe about the church of Christ?

P: We believe and confess one single catholic or universal church—a holy congregation and gathering of true Christian believers.

L: What binds them all together?

P: They await their entire salvation in Jesus Christ, are washed by his blood, and sanctified and sealed by the Holy Spirit.

L: How big is this church?

P: This holy church is not confined, bound, or limited to a certain place or certain persons. But it is spread and dispersed throughout the entire world, though still joined and united in heart and will, in one and the same Spirit, by the power of faith.

HYMN "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" #26

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Hear our prayers, O Lord. **P: And let our cry come unto Thee.**

L: Let us bless the Lord! **P: Thanks be to God.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN "In The Garden" #425
BENEDICTION/SENDING****

L: As we leave today may we feel restored, living in peace and harmony.

P: Let us greet one another with love.

L: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Go and serve the Lord!

P: May God's blessing be upon us today and forever more.

WORSHIP LEADER: TOMI NOSKO

To
God
be the
GLORY



Great Things He Hath Done!

Offering: 10/20
Attendance: 16
Local 223.00
Benev. 15.00
Improv. 13.00
Roof Fund 30.00
Total 281.00

Sunday October 27th
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday November 3rd
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.



This Morning we welcome Bob Sheehan as our guest speaker for Morning Worship.

Our Christian Sympathies are extended to the family of Betty Clemenson, who passed away on October 22nd.

Items For The Newsletter are due by Sunday November 10th. Items can be sent to Ed Sheets or placed in the offering plate.

Westmont Presbyterian Church will host their annual Veterans Dinner on Saturday November 9th starting at 5 p.m. in their social hall. The dinner is open to all those that have or are serving and their families, including veterans, reservists, and active duty military members. Those attending are asked to call the WPC church office by November 3rd to reserve your spot.

The West End Food Pantry is still in need of staples to keep their shelves stocked as the holidays approach. Non-perishable food donations can be placed in the bins by the main entrance. Monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate. Thank you for your support.

Sign Ups For 2024 Lay Leaders and Flower/Bulletin Sponsorships are still being accepted. If you are interested, please see the back bulletin board for more information. You can also order flowers/bulletins on the church website.

Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Lois Henry	Nancy Thomas
Dawna Sheets	Dave & Karen Vivis
Jeanne Lehman	Joshua Holbay Family
Marie Whorl	Dominic Serratore
Bev Holbay	Loretta Davidson
Mark Todero	Irene Barefoot Bischof
Carl Newfield	Rodney Gramling
Beverly Rager	Bob Kinsey
Mikey Ferante	Randy Maurer
Jill Sheets	Edward Spinda
The Family of Betty Clemenson	Jim & Iva Jean
Frank Cassat	Dan Saylor
JR Bilger	All Shut- Ins
Linda Hayes	All in Nursing Homes
Missy DiPlacido	All First Responders
Jim Kuntz	All Service Men & Women
Krista Molnar	All Healthcare Professionals
Bobbie Johnson	

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