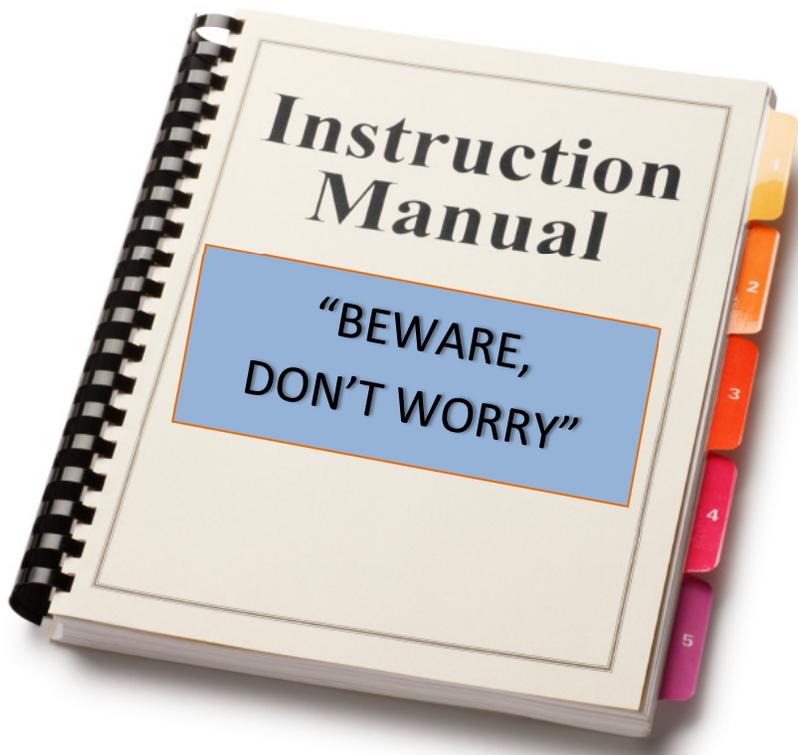


St. James United Church of Christ

May 7, 2017
10:30 a.m.



“Worry Forgets God’s Presence.”

– Paul Tripp

ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Please stand in body or in spirit.*

*Congregation reads aloud all words in **bold** print.*

You will find several “prayer shawls” placed over the pews throughout the sanctuary. Each has been infused with prayers for love, peace, strength and hope. We encourage you to wrap one around you or to place it over your lap, if you are in need today, and we hope you will feel the embrace of God and this congregation as you do so.

WE GATHER

VIDEO	“Carry Me”	Audrey Assad	Screen
PRELUDE	“O Lord, Most Holy”		Franz Abt
*SONG	“Because He Lives (Amen)”	Matt Maher	Screen

LITANY

Keep calm and build.

Thank you God for the multiple opportunities we have to build your kingdom here on earth, as it is in heaven.

Keep calm and defy.

Thank you God that you give us the strength and wisdom we need to do what is right, to strongly say “no” when others are about wrongdoing and are blindly saying “yes”.

Keep calm and learn.

Help us to never stop acquiring information and facts, so that we might have ever before us who is in need, what they really need, and how we can best advocate and help.

Keep calm and remember.

Bring to our memory, O God, lessons from the past, courage for today, and hope for the future.

Keep calm and carry on.

Help us to manage our worry, so that we may do nothing less than carry on amidst danger and doubt.

SONG

"Cares Chorus"

Screen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, for ever. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE

Pastor: Mark 13:9-11

"Watch out for yourselves. People will hand you over to the councils. You will be beaten in the synagogues. You will stand before governors and kings because of me so that you can testify before them...don't worry ahead of time about what to answer or say. Instead, say whatever is given to you at that moment, for you aren't doing the speaking but the Holy Spirit is."

Dave Winters: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

You became imitators of us and of the Lord when you accepted the message that came from the Holy Spirit with joy in spite of great suffering. As a result you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia.

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

SERMON

Just As He Told You (When In Doubt, Read the Instructions)

"Beware, Don't Worry"

WE RESPOND

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the bread and the cup.

There are non-gluten wafers and gluten bread, and both chalices contain grape juice with no alcohol.

Please come forward by the center aisle, take a piece of bread and dip it in the chalice filled with grape juice. Return to your seat by the side aisle.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

OFFERTORY

"Gifts of Life"

B. Printz/Shaker tune

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Screen

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Help us, O God,

to continue our work in faith,

and our efforts in love.

**Grant us the fortitude to persevere
when obstacles and opposition arise.**

May we always and forever

place our hope in You,

who give us the power we need

to do these things, and more

through the Spirit. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SONG "Glory, Glory, Hallelujah" #2

***COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

"My Jesus, I Love Thee" D. H. Hegarty
based on the hymntune GORDON by A. J. Gordon



Media Arts: Ed Hart
Acolyte: Richard Schatz

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Please check your church mailbox for **FAITH@HOME** folders.

COMMUNITY DINE AROUND The next meal will be on **Monday, May 8, 12:00 noon**, right here at St. James UCC. This is for all ages! The cost is \$7.00, and the luncheon will feature picnic food and a musical performance from a group of young folks from Haverford High School. Walk-ins are welcome.

SAM'S KITCHEN is this Wednesday, May 10. Cooking will begin at 2:00 p.m., and serving will be at 5:45 p.m. Please be in touch with Joanne Morris (610-742-8509) if you can help with this meal. God bless all the folks who serve those at the Life Center.

The Philadelphia Association of the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference of the United Church of Christ invites you to attend the **ORDINATION INTO CHRISTIAN MINISTRY OF MEAGAN MCLEOD**, at Tabernacle United Church, 3700 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, on **May 13, 2017, 4:00 p.m.**

Ella Brackbill's Junior Girl Scout Troop is assembling **ACTIVITY BOXES** for Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, to put a smile on the faces of children who have extended stays in the hospital. If you can help, please bring in any of the following new toys (no handmade, used, or violently-themed toys): window markers (a favorite of the children), dry erase boards and markers, coloring books, activity books, *I Spy/Look & Find*, Crayola art supplies, construction paper, scissors, glitter glue, paint brushes, arts & crafts kits, bead kits, scrapbook kits, blank canvas, small Play-doh, board games, journals, sketch books, nail polish, lego kits, plastic toy dinosaurs, plastic action figures, toy doctor kits, matchbox cars, plastic baby dolls, plastic play food, toy tool sets. **They are collecting through Sunday, May 14.** Contact Aimee Brackbill, 717-669-0176. ☺

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 14

9:00 a.m. Jubilant Ringers rehearsal
10:00 a.m. Crafts, Fellowship in Sunday School Rooms
10:00 a.m. Second Sunday Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. Worship; Mother's Day gifts for all women; Phoebe Wyncote special offering; Sunday School for Infants – 12th Grade
11:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal and lunch

TRASH CAN PAINTING This past fall, a racist symbol was painted on several trash cans in Havertown. The owners of the cans took the opportunity to turn a negative into a positive by changing the symbols into something beautiful! They then asked others in the area to paint something beautiful and peaceful on the outsides of their trashcans to spread images of love and acceptance. On **Sunday, June 4**, St. James will be joining the movement. Here are the details:
Who - All in the St. James Community are welcome
Date - June 4
Time - Immediately following worship
Where - Fellowship Hall
What to bring - You bring your empty trash can! We will have the paint, brushes, and smocks.