

Bethany Presbyterian, Johnstown, PA
June 19th, 2022 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Presbyterian Men Sunday Father's Day

CALL TO WORSHIP **

L: When we long for the special effects we think life should offer:

P: it is enough, for us, that God comes in a soft, summer shower.

L: When our hearts are cracked by the drought of doubt:

P: it is enough, for us, that God opens up the fountains of faith for us.

L: When our senses are deadened by the sales pitches of our culture:

P: it is enough, for us, that God wraps us in the silence of grace.

HYMN "This is My Father's World" #58

CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

L: We long to be set free from those 'powers' which control our lives; to let go of our fears of 'them;' to stop trying to build fences between us and those who are not like us. That is why our longing brings us to the living waters offered by our God, who allows us to fill our parched souls with a refreshing drink of forgiveness. Let us confess our sins, as we pray together, saying,

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ALL: Like children, we fear that if we tell you what we have done, God of Justice, you might not love us anymore. We can kill the dreams of those around us with a word, spoken or withheld. We can make the lives of our friends miserable, instead of sharing a miracle. We are filled with that legion of temptations which only leave us empty and wanting more.-

Forgive us, Gracious Father. Remind us that we are no longer sinners, but your children. Baptized, we are clothed in the graciousness and faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who came that we might be set free of all that imprisons us.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: God forgives us, so we might be new people. God equips us, so we might serve others. God sends us forth, so we might be a witness to everyone we meet.

P: No one is the same: enemies are now our friends; those we could not trust now become our confidants; those we could not hear now speak to us of God's hope and joy.

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 by saying, "The Peace of Christ be With You.")

REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Offertory

Doxology

#625

Prayer of Dedication**

You have given us more than enough, Loving God, and so we take from the abundance which is ours, so that others might be blessed: with grace which cools fevered souls, with love which melts frozen hearts, and with hope which can feed and house and renew so many. In Jesus' name, we give and we pray. Amen.

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Lesson	1 Kings 19:1-15a	p. 313
Epistle Lesson	Galatians 3:23-29	p. 1014
Gospel	Luke 8:26-39	p.914

MESSAGE Denise Todero, CP

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed

HYMN "To God Be the Glory" #66

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 "I've Got Peace Like a River" #368

BENEDICTION/SENDING**

L: God gives us enough grace,

P: so we may go to stand with all rejected by the world.

L: Jesus gives us enough hope,

P: so we may fill those emptied by despair.

L: The Spirit gives us enough peace,

P: so we may set free all imprisoned by fears and hate.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace"

****© Rev. Thom Shuman**

ORGANISTS: John Griffin and Elaine Bilger

COMMISSIONED PASTOR: Denise Ann Todero

WORSHIP LEADER: Tina Varner

***We all long for heaven where God is,
but we have it in our power to be in heaven with Him right
now—***

***to be happy with Him at this very moment.
But being happy with Him now means:***

Loving as he loves;

Helping as He helps;

Giving as He gives;

Serving as He serves;

Rescuing as He rescues;

***Being in touch with Him for all the twenty-four hours,
and touching him in His distressing disguise.***

Mother Teresa



**PRESBYTERIAN
MEN**

Presbyterian Men Sunday is the Sunday otherwise recognized as Father's Day. The General Assembly intentionally planned for the Church on this day to recognize the contributions of all men and not limit today's celebration only to those who have children. It includes single men, stepfathers, grandfathers, men who are unable to be with their children, and all other men who do not necessarily fit in these categories.

Regardless of their family situations, all Presbyterian Men are called by God to share their time, talents, spirit, and energies fulfilling their call to be disciples of Jesus Christ, and to act like fathers to all the children in their congregation.

Offering: 06/12
Attendance: 16
Local 464.60
Benev. 32.15
Improv. 27.25
Total 524.00

Sunday June 19th
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Presbyterian Men Sunday

Sunday June 26th
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships for 2022 are available for most Sundays. If you are interested, please sign up on the back bulletin board.

Donations for the West End Food Pantry can be placed in the bins by the Blaine St. entrance. All non-perishable food items are appreciated, especially as we approach the holiday season.

Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Pastor Denise	Ruby Porch
Don Bennett	Christine Paratore
Phyllis Pfuhl	David Hayduk
Harry Thiel	Susie Keefer
Lois Henry	Chloe Kern
Dawna Sheets	Jim Kuntz
Buzz & Jeanne Lehman	Tyler & Julie Kalp
Bob & Marie Whorl	Linda Hayes
Bev Holbay	Mike Whorl
Wendy Manges	David Varner
Mark Todero	Jim Golby
Diane Brewer	Joyce Rizzo
The Todero Family	All Shut- Ins
Shirley Gavazoni	All in Nursing Homes
Linda & Richard Oaks	All First Responders
David Vivis	All Service Men & Women
Dick Brewer	All Healthcare Professionals

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