

CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

P: We see people who try to be faithful, even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.

L: We look in the mirror and how do we see?

P: We see with hearts which are open to God's love, with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence tells us not to be so foolish.

L: We look in the mirror and who do we see?

P: We see Jesus, the One who struggles with the questions we raise, who models faithfulness for all who would follow.

HYMN "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" #108

CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

L: Let us willingly embrace that which we believe is true - we can come to the seat of grace, bringing our prayers of confession to the One who is filled to overflowing with mercy and hope. Join me as we pray together,

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ALL: We stand before you, Saving God, stripped of our pretensions and pride, for nothing we do or say, or do not, can be hidden from you. You hear the angry words we preach to ourselves; you sift through the rubble of hurts we have caused; you see how we stumble, weighed down by all that 'stuff' which keeps us from following Jesus.

We stand before you, Holy Grace. As you empty our hands of that wealth of unneeded things we cling so tightly to, fill them with your grace and hope. As we let go of all which might hold us back, give us the trust to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into that life with which he offers to each of us.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Hear the good news! Because God loves us, we lack for nothing; because God forgives us, we have everything we need; because God surrounds us with sisters and brothers, we do not journey alone.

P: Committing everything to God, trusting in the One who redeems us, we decide to live as God's faithful and forgiven people.

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 virtual hug or handshake or wave saying "The peace of Christ be with you")

REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Offertory

Doxology

#625

Prayer of Dedication**

When we look in the mirror, may we see our sisters and brothers in need - the lonely, the hungry, the searching, the aching. And as we see them, we pray that these gifts we offer may be used to bring them food, hope, companionship, and healing. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Gospel Reading Luke 12:1-7 Pg. 904

**Message His Eye Is On The Sparrow
Rev. James Braunn**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostle's Creed

HYMN "Living for Jesus " vs 1&3 #372

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

BENEDICTION/SENDING**

L: Go forth as God's people to serve those around us.

P: We will honor each person as if they were our family.

L: Go forth as sisters and brothers of Jesus.

P: We will share the gifts of grace and hope with everyone we meet.

L: Go forth as those strengthened by the Spirit.

P: We will stand with others searching for God's justice in their lives.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"God Be With You"

God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again

God be with you till we meet again;
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

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WORSHIP LEADER: Ray Sheets

We are saved by Christ to be saviors of others.

.....Robert Menzies

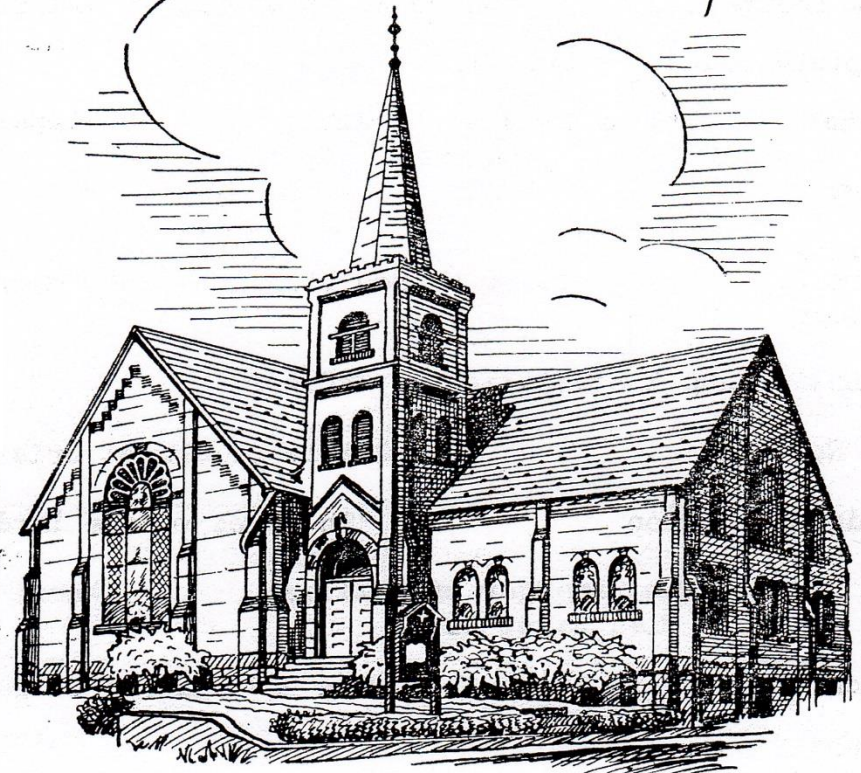
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We all long for heaven where God is, but we have it in our power to be in heaven with Him right now—to be happy with Him at this very moment. But being happy with Him now means:

loving as He loves, helping as He helps, giving as He gives, serving as He serves, rescuing as He rescues, being with Him for all the twenty-four hours, touching Him in His distressing disguise.

.....Mother Teresa

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Attendance: 18
Local 260.65
Benev. 18.05
Improv. 15.30
Total 294.00

Sunday October 13th
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday October 20th
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Session Meeting



This Morning we welcome Rev. James Braunns as our guest speaker for Morning Worship.

Session will meet next Sunday after Morning Worship.

The Redstone Presbyterian Women will hold their Fall Gathering on Saturday November 2nd at Poke Run Presbyterian Church in Apollo, PA. More information can be found on the flyer by the Blaine St. Door.

The West End Food Pantry is still in need of staples to keep their shelves stocked as we enter the fall months. 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
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
Randy Browning	All Service Men & Women
Jim Kuntz	All Healthcare Professionals

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