

Bethany Presbyterian, Johnstown, PA
MORNING WORSHIP
July 24th, 2022 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: It is in this place of holiness that we can come with our fears, our doubts, all the questions of our hearts.

P: We come to this place, to hear the words of peace, of hope, of joy God speaks to us.

L: It is in this place of discovery that we can come searching.

P: We come to this place, to find the One who has been looking for us.

L: It is in this place of openness that we can come knocking.

P: We come to this place, to be embraced by the One whose heart is never locked.

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

CALL TO CONFESSION**

L: We are invited to pray - all who have hurt someone else, and all who have been hurt by another. We are called to pray: for hope, for healing, for mercy. We pray to the One who seeks to make us whole; whose will is to restore us to new life. Join me as we pray, saying,

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We do not find it easy to speak of how we do not live as your people, but you invite us to share our weaknesses and failures with you, Inviting God. Tempted to think your salvation is for a select few, we put up barriers for others. Clinging to all you give to us, we are reluctant to share with those in need. Surrounded by evil and violence, we find it easier to close ranks with those just like us, rather than seeking peace and reconciliation for our world.

Forgive us, Salvation's God. Open our eyes to our sisters and brothers all around us. Open our ears to the word of hope you speak to us. Open our spirits to the presence of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who flings wide the open doors

of your kingdom, that all might find life with you.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Here is the good news, my friends: Christ came searching for us, calling us by name, leading us into God's kingdom.

P: In Christ, we become new people: broken, we are made whole; lost, we are found; forsaken, we are restored to new life.

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**

As you have done with us, may we do for others, holding nothing back, but offering our treasures and lives that hope may be restored, that healing might touch the broken, that the suffering might be revived, and that all might know of your steadfast love in their lives. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Lesson	Hosea 1: 2-10	p.776
New Testament Lesson	Colossians 2:6-19	p.1027
Gospel Lesson	Luke 11:1-13	p.903

MESSAGE

Denise Ann Todero, CP

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

HYMN "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" #435

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 "O Jesus, I Have Promised" #369

BENEDICTION/SENDING**

L: You have heard the words of peace and hope from God, so go.

P: We will go to speak to those filled with fear and doubt.

L: You have been reminded of the One who came looking for us, so go.

P: We will go to search for all tossed aside by the world.

L: You have been embraced in the love and grace of the Spirit, so go.

P: We will go to open our hearts to all searching for hope.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace"

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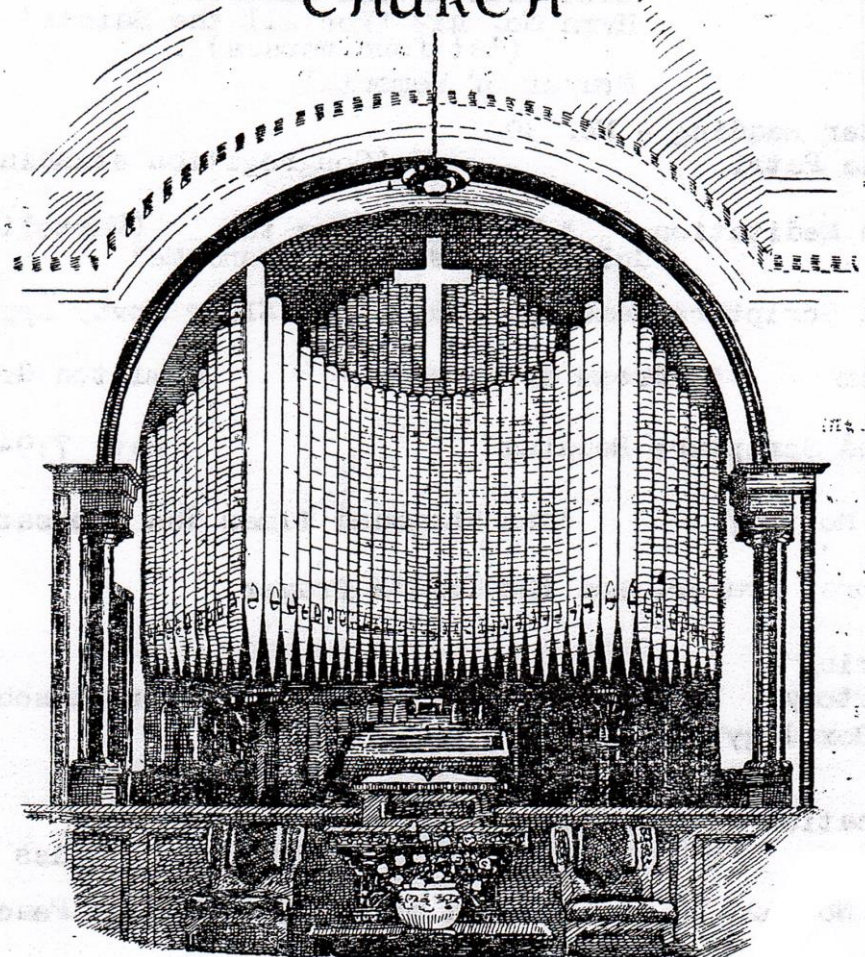
**Love to pray. Feel often during the day the need for prayer,
and take trouble to pray.**

**Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing
God's gift of Himself.**

**Ask and seek, and your heart will grow big enough
to receive Him and keep Him as your own.**

Mother Teresa, *A Gift for God*

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Offering: 07/17
Attendance: 10
Local 443.30
Benev. 30.70
Improv. 26.00
Total 500.00

Sunday July 24th
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Sunday July 31st
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.



Items For The Newsletter are due by August 14th. Items can be placed in the offering plate or emailed to Ed Sheets.

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
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Buzz & Jeanne Lehman	Tyler & Julie Kalp
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David Vivis	All Service Men & Women
Dick Brewer	All Healthcare Professionals
Loretta Davidson	

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