

Apostles’ Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.

Mars UP Church
Come Holy Spirit, Come

The service of worship begins with the prelude; quiet is requested as you enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship. As a community that prays with and for one another, we invite you to share your joys and concerns by using the prayer cards available in the pew. Those parts of the Service of Worship in which the congregation participates in word are noted in bold type.

Prelude
*(Please stand, if you are able)
Welcome and Mars Messages

Prayer of Invocation

The Call to Worship

Leader: Why have we gathered on this Holy Day? What has drawn us to this time and place?
People: We have been drawn to a flame of the Gospel burning here. We sense the glory of God in this place.
Leader: God calls us to this time of worship. The place where we are standing is Holy Ground.
People: Give thanks to God and sing praises. Let us give attention to the voice of God.
Leader: Out of the burning bush, God spoke to Moses. In the rhythms of worship, God speaks to us.
People: We will listen for God’s voice and his message for us. Certainly, God’s strength will supply all our needs according to his riches.

***Hymn of Praise** **450**
“Lift High the Cross”

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,
forever. Amen.

The Doxology

Praise God
from whom
all blessings flow;
praise Him
all creatures
here below;
praise Him above,
ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son,
and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

***Unison Prayer of Confession**
Holy God, we don’t always admit it, but we are creatures who need a Savior. We are pleased with the good we have done, the loyalty we have displayed, the love we have shared. But that is only one side of the story. In many situations, we have fallen short of the target which Jesus has placed before us, and we have spoilt or neglected the happiness of others. Please continue to save and heal us, loving God. Save us from the temptations that rush upon us like a blast of loud music, and from those temptations that arrive with false modesty, hiding behind the skirts of good intentions. Save us from the sins that brazenly corrupt us, and from those that surreptitiously eat away like termites, and undermine our values and good resolves.

Save us from the guilt that shouts at us and condemns us, and from the cunning guilt which slides sideways into excuses which soon sound plausible to the soul willing to listen to the folly and lies of our human ego. Hear our time of silent confession...

***Silent, Personal Confession**
***Assurance of God’s Mercy and Grace**

***Affirmation of Faith** **Apostles Creed**
***Gloria Patri**

Children’s Moment & Children’s Ministry
Message and Prayer

Psalm Reading **Psalm 105**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Hymn of Preparation **328**
“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

Offertory Sentence
Offertory
Doxology
Prayer of Dedication

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Church Office Hours:
Tues –Friday from 9 a.m. -3 p.m.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:21-28

Sermon

Rev. Ed Boyce
“Doing Satan’s Handiwork”

*Hymn of Commitment

“Where You There?”

315

* Charge

*Benediction

*Congregational Response (Everyone sings)

The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in Thy grace;
Wherever life may take us as we go our separate ways;
Help us share with others the things we’ve shared today;
May the peace of God the Father
And the love of Christ His Son

Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us each one;
May the blessings of the Spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again.
Amen.

*Postlude

***Flowers are provided today to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of my husband, Butch by
Alice Leonberg.***

REACHING OUT TO OUR SHUT INS

Please send cards to:

Ed Raupp
Arbors of St. Barnabas/Valencia Woods
Rm 117A
85 Charity Place, Valencia, PA 16059

*Morning Worship:
8:30 am and 10:00 am*

*Nursery provided
during 10:00 am service.*

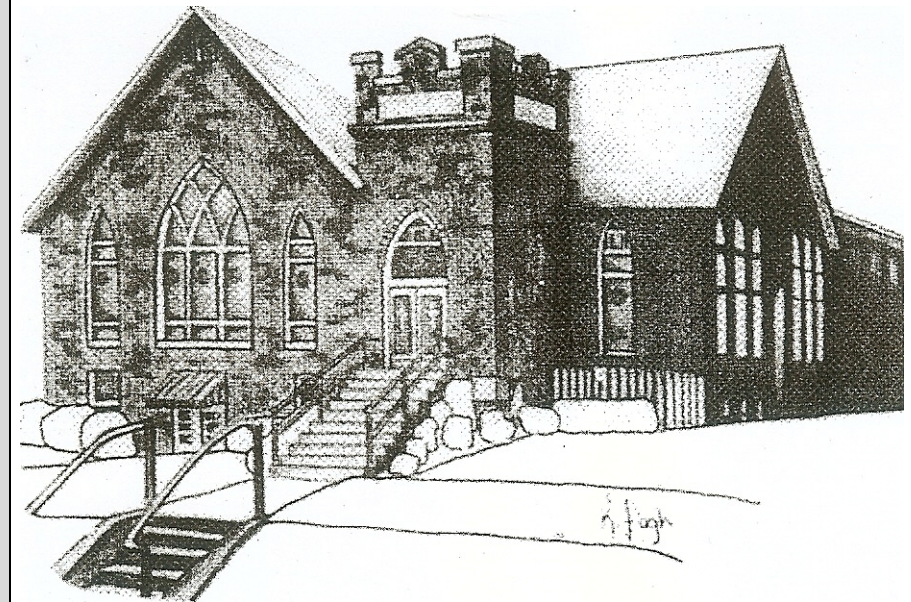
13th Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer of Preparation

*Lord, we come to you
today with so many
things on our hearts.
You call us to be in
relationship of trust
and love with you and
you offer healing to us
for those portions of
our lives that are
broken and injured.
Help us to be open to
your mercy and healing
love. For we ask this in
Jesus’ Name.
AMEN.*

Mars United Presbyterian Church

Welcome!



***We are your hometown church: Faithful to Tradition,
Loving in Fellowship, & Reaching for Tomorrow!***

September 3, 2017

**We welcome you and we are glad you’ve chosen to
worship with us today!**

CALENDAR: September 3rd thru September 10th

Church Office Hours: Tuesday thru Friday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Today, September 3, 2017

8:30 am THE EARLY MORNING WORSHIP/communion

10:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Monday, September 4, 2017

Labor Day- Office Closed

Tuesday, September 5, 2017

9:00 am A-Team

7:00 p.m. AA

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

9:00 am Material Girls

Thursday, September 7, 2017

Friday, September 8, 2017

Saturday, September 9, 2017

Sunday, September 10, 2017

8:30 a.m. THE EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 a.m. Rally Day Luncheon

5:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group

7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group

VOLUNTEERS☺

GREETERS:

(E) Bob Riefer

(D) Jenny Ivory

NURSERY THIS WEEK:

Karen Goul

NURSERY NEXT WEEK:

Diane Wentling

JR CHURCH THIS WEEK:

MUP MUFFINS:

TARRY 'N TALK HOST:

Buildings & Grounds

Committee

LAST SUNDAY'S

ATTENDANCE: 79

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:

Operating Expenses: \$3347.00

Mission: \$215.00

Memorial: \$325.00

Building Improv. \$10.00

Total: \$3897.00

TO THE PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN WORSHIP Please relax. God placed the wiggle and giggle into children. Here at Mars United Presbyterian Church, don't feel you have to suppress it. All are Welcome here in God's place. If you want, feel free to sit closer to the front where it is easier to see and hear. Help your children understand what's going on by quietly explaining what's going on in worship. Help them learn to joyfully sing the hymns, pray fervently, and participate in the unison and responsive parts of worship. Our children learn how to worship here by watching their parents. If you feel the need to leave worship feel free to do so and head for the nursery downstairs. But please make sure you come back. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." We all should remember that the way we welcome children into our congregation directly affects the way they respond to one another. Let your children know that they are at home in this place of worship. The rest of us in worship, please remember that a smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents of small and not so small but active children. The presence of children is a gift to this congregation and gives us a future filled with hope.

PRAYER – JOYS & CONCERNS

Lou Beckwith

Wanda Jones

Terry Moore (Sam's cousin)

Emma Libert (friend of the McElhinny's)

Reid Christopher Hall (June Stirling's nephew)

Paige Barbour (daughter of Andrew and Steph Barbour)

Elliana Mae Cicconi (great niece of Dee Shupsky)

Maria Elizabeth McKaveney (June Stirling's niece)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE! Chancel Choir will kick off their fall season on Wednesday, September 13th at 7 p.m with the choir commencing weekly anthems on Sunday, September 24th. If you are interested in joining the chancel choir or would like more information on what we do, please see Jamie between services or after the 10 a.m. service to learn more about being a part of our dynamic music ministry. Sharing the word of God through music is a great way to serve your church in a different capacity and also a great deal of fun and fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Join us for "RALLY DAY" —September 10th at 10am

RALLY DAY is our day to "Kick Off" the fall season, introducing Sunday School classes **and other programs. The worship service at 10am with a potluck lunch immediately** following worship. For all ages!

What you need to know about RALLY DAY:

- ☐ Bring a side dish to share (Fried chicken and Mac-n-Cheese will be provided)
- ☐ Kids bring backpacks for our "back pack blessing"
- ☐ Bounce House & Tie Dying

Let's start the year off on a GREAT note!

WORSHIP SERVICE TIME CHANGE!!!

Beginning Sept 17th, Sunday School classes will begin and worship will move 8:30am & 11am

REMEMBER!

- * Bring non-perishable food donations the first Sunday of each month to support our local food bank!
- * Deacons Kindness Offering (separate offering) is the second Sunday of the month.

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER Hard Copies of the September newsletter are available in the Tarry N Talk for your convenience. Stop by and pick up one to see what's happening at Mars UP Church.