# Jesus took the loaves and when He had given thanks, He distributed them . . .

John 6:11



Bethany Presbyterian Church
Blaine Street at Chandler Avenue
Johnstown, PA

# Bethany Presbyterian Church, Johnstown, PA MORNING WORSHIP July 25th, 2021 9th Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 12

## **CALL TO WORSHIP \*\***

L: The foolish say, "There is no God! We are alone, on our own."

P: We gather to declare the glory of God in our lives.

L: The foolish say, "It is your life; you are accountable to no one."

P: We gather, strengthened by the Spirit, trusting that Christ dwells in our hearts.

L: The foolish say, "Everything I have is mine; I owe nothing to anyone."

P: We gather to praise the One who calls us to serve others in love.

HYMN "He Leadeth Me" #461

### **CALL TO RECONCILIATION\*\***

L: God looks at us, to see if we are wise enough to offer confession, to receive forgiveness, and to seek to know the healing love of Christ. Let us prove our wisdom, and set aside our foolish pride, as we pray together,

# **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION \*\***

ALL: Wisdom's Heart: deep within, we know how we have failed to be your people. Our hardened hearts are closed to the love of Christ; our lust for more and more blocks the fullness of your grace from transforming our lives; our trust in the powers of the world reveals our foolish nature.

Have mercy, God of every generation. Pour out the rich blessing of forgiveness on our parched souls. Feed us with Heaven's Bread, so we might be nourished by your gentleness. Shape us as your people, and restore us to faithful living, as we seek to follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in service to everyone we meet.

## **SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: The wideness of God's mercy, the range of God's forgiveness, the infinite love of God, the Heart of hope which is never empty: all these gifts are ours, as God restores us to the fullness of life meant for us.

P: Grounded in love, rooted in discipleship, we offer ourselves in service to others, recognizing the limitless grace which is ours to share in Christ.

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\*\*

In our hands, the gifts seem so paltry, but in yours, they can bring plentitude of grace to those who are so hungry for hope. In our hearts, we wonder how effective our ministries might be, but joined with yours, we can indeed bring healing, community, peace, and joy to our struggling communities. Bless us and our gifts, multiply our hopes and our efforts, that your wonders might come into the world around us. Amen.

### **LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES**

Old Testament	2 Samuel 11:1-15	p.272
New Testament	Ephesians 3:14-21	p.1018
Gospel	John 6:1-21	p.927

Message Denise Ann Todero

Offering: 7/18 Sunday July 25th
Attendance: Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

**Local** 500.00

Benev. 34.65 Sunday August 1st

Improv. 29.35 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

**Total** 564.00

**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 during the summer months.

**Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships** are available for all Sundays in 2021. The cost to sponsor flowers for a week is \$25 and the cost to sponsor the bulletin for a week is \$10. If you sponsor both the flowers and bulletin for a week the cost is \$30. Sign up on the back bulletin board at the church or by clicking the link on the church website.







Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers		
Pastor Denise	Chloe Kern	
Don & Marlene Bennett	Ruby Porch	
Phyllis Pfuhl	Christine Paratore	
Harry Thiel	David Hayduk	
Lois Henry	Mary Findley	
Ray & Dawna Sheets	Mercedes Rummel	
Al Hockenberry	Susie Keefer	
Waylon Rummell	Kennedy Connelly	
Bob & Marie Whorl	Pine Springs Camp Staff	
Bev Holbay	All Shut- Ins	
Nora Dixon	All in Nursing Homes	
Mark Todero	All First Responders	
Bob & Kathy Wilks	All Service Men & Women	
	All Healthcare Professionals	

**To Place Announcements Or Concerns List Names** in the bulletin contact Ed Sheets at 539-3495 or email at bethanyjtown@hotmail.com or contact Pastor Denise at 479-2382 or email her at datodero@atlanticbb.net.

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