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“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

--- Initial Souper Bowl of Caring Prayer

Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday

Bethany Presbyterian Church

February 3rd, 2019

Bethany Presbyterian Church, Johnstown, PA
February 3rd, 2019 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
"Souper Bowl of Caring"

CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: With powerful words and dramatic gestures, with a quiet conversation and a gentle touch,

P: we respond to God's call to offer healing and hope to our world.

L: With courage to face the injustices around us, with the willingness to go into the brokenness,

P: we fulfill the call of Jesus to engage in faithful obedience.

L: With the patience of a teacher of six-year-olds, with the gentleness of a nurse helping a patient,

P: we become the Spirit's refuge for all who live in worry and fear.

***HYMN "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation #417**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION*

L: Arrogance, envy, harsh words, empty hands, pleasure in doing what we know is wrong – these are what we often use to fill our lives. Let us confess in faith, trusting in the hope that God's love restores us and makes us whole. Please join me, praying,

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

ALL: Ah, Lord God, we do not know how to speak words of hope, because we listen to the purveyors of fear. We do not know how to be loving because our role models are ridicule and anger. We do not know how to be faithful to you, because at an early age, we learned to trust the promises of all the false prophets who entice us with their simple thoughts.

But you know how to forgive, God of kindness, so we pray you would pour out your mercy upon us. May faith abide in us, so we may serve others even as you have served us; may hope abide in us, so we may surround the broken with your compassion and grace; may love abide in us, not only in

these moments of brokenness, but in every moment of our life with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who abides in us.

***SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

L: The good news is that, in our God, we find that safe place for our lives. In God's forgiveness, we are offered the healing we need.

P: In God's acceptance, we discover the love in which we may abide in every moment of our lives.

L: Friends, Believe the Good News

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

***GLORIA PATRI #579**

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 #592**

***Prayer of Dedication**

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Jeremiah 1:4-10 p.647

New Testament I Corinthians 13:1-13 p.1000

Gospel Lesson Luke 4:21-30 p.892

MESSAGE Denise Ann Toderro, CP

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostle's Creed

***HYMN God, You Give Us Recreation**

(A Hymn for Souper Bowl Sunday -By: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette of Limestone Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, DE)

Sung to the tune of:

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" #298

God, you give us recreation, rest and play when work is through,
Game and sport and celebration, times that challenge and
renew.

In the days we spend together, in the feasts that we prepare,
In the times of joy and laughter, may we know your loving care.
Yet, O Lord, we see you crying for the ones who know no rest,
For your children, hungry, dying, for the homeless and
oppressed.

May we, as your sons and daughters, share with open heart and hand,
Till your justice flows like waters to the poor throughout the
land.

Bless, O Christ, our gifts of caring, for we know without a doubt:
Soup and bread are made for sharing, hands are made for
reaching out.

Even in our times of playing, may we keep the vision clear:
Keep us serving, loving, praying, welcoming your kingdom here.

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 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #438**

BENEDICTION/SENDING*

L: God touches our mouths,

P: so we may go to share the good news.

L: Jesus touches our hands,

P: so we may serve all in need of life and hope.

L: The Spirit touches our hearts,

P: so we may be a haven for those

who are longing for acceptance and love.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace"**

****Those who are able please stand.***

ORGANISTS: John Griffin and Elaine Bilger

COMMISSIONED PASTOR: Denise Ann Todero

WORSHIP LEADER:

Offering: 1/13
Attendance: 25
Local 315.65
Benev. 21.85
Improv. 18.50
Total 356.00

Sunday February 3rd
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Souper Bowl of Caring

Sunday February 10th
Morning Worship 10:30 p.m.
Session Mtg. After Worship

The Bulletins Today are sponsored by The Atrium, Senior Living Community.

Today is Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday. Following worship, a luncheon will be held. A free will offering will be collected, with the proceeds benefiting the West End Food Pantry.

Session will meet Sunday February 10th after Morning Worship.

Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships are available for 2019. If you would like to sign up for one or both for a week, sign up on the back bulletin board or by clicking the link on the church website (www.bethanyjohnstown.com).

Sign Ups for 2019 Worship Leaders, Coffee Hour Set-ups, and Communion Set-ups are posted on the back bulletin board.

Per Capita for 2019 is \$30 per member. Feel free to give more if you are able. A special envelope is provided with your offering envelopes. Contributions can also be given to Ray Sheets or you can use a pew envelope & write Per Capita and your name on it.

Please Refrain from using cell phones and other electronic devices during Worship. We thank you for your cooperation.

Enrichment Day will be held on Saturday February 9th at Westmont Presbyterian Church. For more information, pick up a flyer on the back table.



Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Don Bennett	The Holbay Family
Michael Robert Rose III	Sharon Weaver
Darlene Rager	Elizabeth Kern
Phyllis Pfuhl	John & Cindy Griffin
Harry & Lillian Thiel	Rachael Wilks
Lois Henry	Logan Weaver
Katherine Minahan	Gary Bellack
Olivia & Patrick Bragdon	Cathy Zakucia
Dick Dunkle	Richard Kibsey
Lenore Runkle	Irene Barefoot Bischof
Andy Serafin	Kimber Leigh Orlidge
Cheryl Gindlesperger	Justin Korenoski
Nancy Dimitt	Beth Runkle
Joyce Horn	Marie Hudson
Elaine & Ken Bilger	Linda Thomas
Bill & Patty Gramling	Bob Whorl
Marie Kotar	Linda Shoop
Bill Kegg	Linda Donahey
Gloria Sorensen	Anna Myers
Kathy & Robert Wilks	Linda Hayes
Rev. Dr. Brenda & Don Barnes	All Shut- Ins
Pastor John Hickman	All in Nursing Homes
Jim Rozich	All First Responders
Hannah Korenoski	All Service Men & Women

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