



THIS WEEK

September 19 Anna Van Slyke
September 21 Don Klug



Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, JoAnne Stirling, Dr. Robert B. Brown, and for the sick and those who need God's comfort.

Prayer Help Available. Please call the church office, 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

~ Romans 8:24-28

Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

~ Habakkuk 2:2-4

Mission Statement

Seeking God's help, we will pursue growth and renewal as a united Christian body. We will nurture people within our church and provide Christian leadership and care throughout our community.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 15, 2019

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

*May Jesus Christ Be Praised (Hymn 215)
Be Thou My Vision (Hymn 562)
Soldiers of Christ, Arise (Hymn 723)*

Carl Bingle, FPC Organist
arr. Anna Laura Page
arr. Dale Wood
arr. Jason Payne

GREETING

Peace be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE

Fanfare Prelude for a New Beginning
Carl Bingle, organist

Douglas Wagner

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, worship the Lord:
People: The bringer of laughter,
The keeper of promises,
Promise of ages,
Who knows of no limits
And gladdens forever!
Come, worship the Lord:
The bringer of laughter!

***HYMN #563**

Open My Eyes That I May See

SCOTT

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We have given you so many reasons to grieve. We disrespect your creation. We long for personal glory, material riches and other things which don't last. We mistreat ourselves and each other. We forget the power of your promises. We ask your forgiveness, counting on your never-failing mercy, in Jesus' name. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS

... in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ you are also forgiven.

*RESPONSE - Glory Be to the Father - Hymn #813

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.

LITURGIST WELCOME

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Romans 8:24-28 (New Testament, page 158 in pew Bibles)

ANTHEM

E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

Paul Manz

Chancel Choir; Sara Gleason, director; Carl Bingle, organ

CHILDREN'S TIME

(At this time we invite all K-7th graders to join us for Sunday School, please have children follow the teacher thru the door on the left. Children will meet parents in Fellowship Hall after the service.)

*HYMN #562

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

SECOND READING

Habakkuk 2:2-4 (New Testament, page 872 in pew Bibles)

SERMON

"New Beginnings 4"

Rev. Leonard Sponaugle

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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

TIME OF THANKS

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY DUET

The Lord Is My Light

Frances Allitsen

Nancy Boynton, Clancy Cox, sopranos; Phyllis Elmer, piano; Carl Bingle, organ

*DOXOLOGY ~ HYMNAL #815

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.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING

*HYMN #586

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

WHOLE WORLD

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

Toccata on Deo Gracias

Michael Burkhardt

This 1415 AD hymn tune is the oldest in English hymnody.

The most common hymn text is "O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High."

Carl Bingle, organ