

22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 10, 2019

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
215 N. Warren St.
Orwigsburg, PA
570-366-2316
www.stpauls-orwigsburg.org

GATHERING

As we gather together, let us now refrain from conversation, quiet ourselves, and welcome the Lord Jesus Christ into our midst.

PRELUDE

“Hymn”

D. E. Wagner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

We gather in the name of the Father,
and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN “Give to Our God Immortal Praise” #848

GREETING

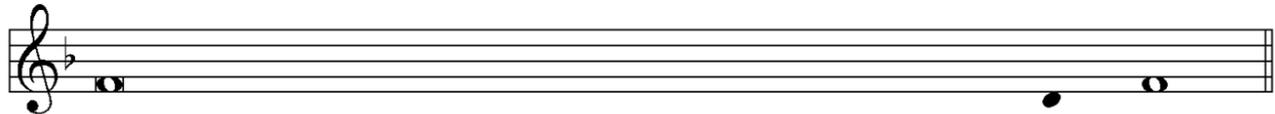
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE



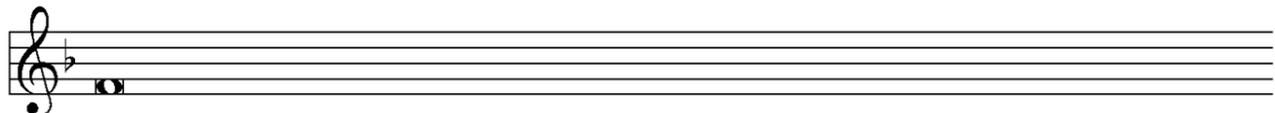
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



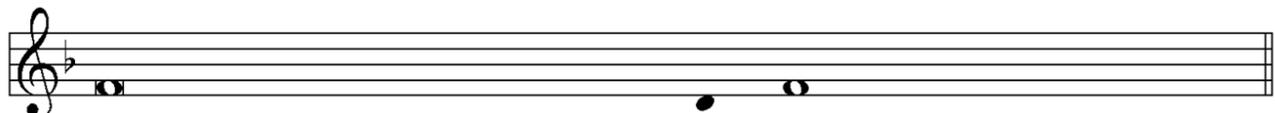
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



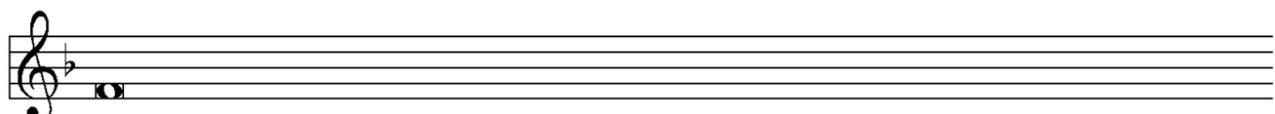
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



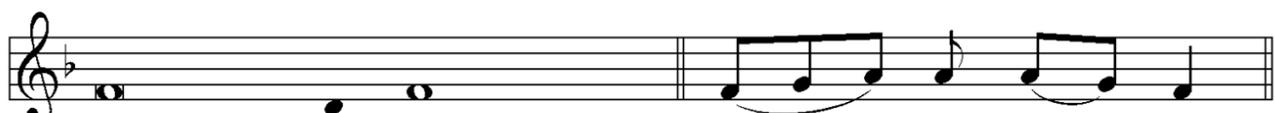
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



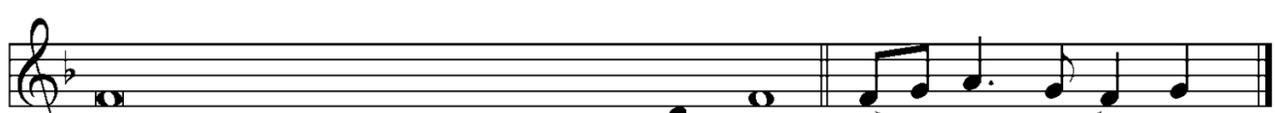
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

A Reading from Job

²³“O that my words were written down!

O that they were inscribed in a book!

²⁴O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!

²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;

²⁶and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,

²⁷^awhom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.” (Job 19:23–27a)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 17:1–9

¹Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry;
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

²**Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

³Examine my heart, visit me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

⁴**I have not regarded what others do;
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.**

⁵My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path;
and my feet do not slip.

**⁶I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

⁷Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise against them.

**⁸Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me under the shadow of your wings,**

⁹from the wicked who assault me,
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

A Reading from the Second Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians

¹As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? . . .

¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. (2 Thessalonians 2:1–5, 13–17)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Luke 20:27–38

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸and asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.”

³⁴Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” #517

SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United with the saints of every time and place, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Loving Redeemer, by grace you have chosen us to live boldly as resurrection people. Strengthen us to stand firm and proclaim the good news to the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Maker of all, you bless us with the change of seasons. Shelter your good earth as plants and animals prepare for winter, and make us good stewards of all that you have made. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Divine judge, bless our faithful veterans, and give us courage to stand with all who risk their lives to serve and protect your people. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Listening God, hear the cries of those who are poor and unemployed, those who seek refuge, those who suffer from addiction, and all who are sick or seek healing (*especially...*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Generous teacher, you look upon your children with a loving heart. Bless the ministries of those who work with, serve, teach, and lead children. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of abundant life. We give thanks for those who have died in the faith. Give us joy in the knowledge that because our Redeemer lives, one day we will be united with him and with all believers in a resurrection like his. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing in hope, we lift our prayers to you, most gracious Lord, trusting that you have received them in your care.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

OFFERING

For 10:30 service ushers: Take the offering plates from the table in the back of the church. Receive the collection along the center aisle, from front to back, then walk behind the last pews and up the side aisles to receive the collection on the outside aisles, again from front to back. Return to the back and wait for the Communion Assistant to come forward with the alms basin.

OFFERTORY

“Amazing Grace”

J. Linker

Anthem (10:30)

*“Only Jesus”
Chancel Choir

A. Williams

OFFERTORY HYMN



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



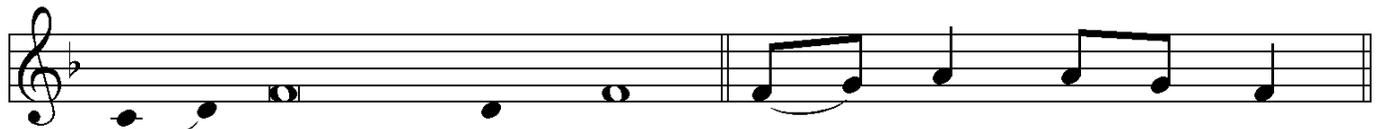
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

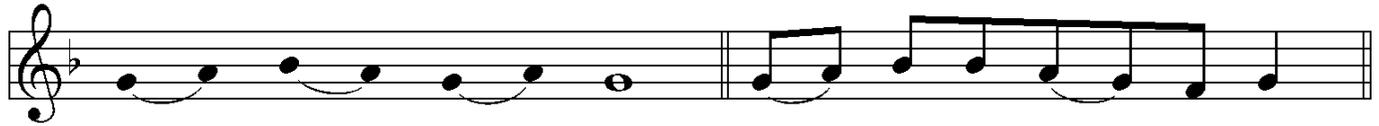
God our provider, we bring nothing into this world, and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Nourish us now with new and abundant life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

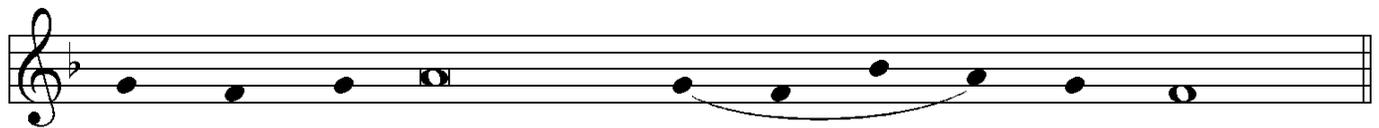
GREAT THANKSGIVING



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san- na. Ho - san- na.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho- san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,
that all those who believe in him should not perish,
but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you
for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,
that we may receive our Lord with a living faith
as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

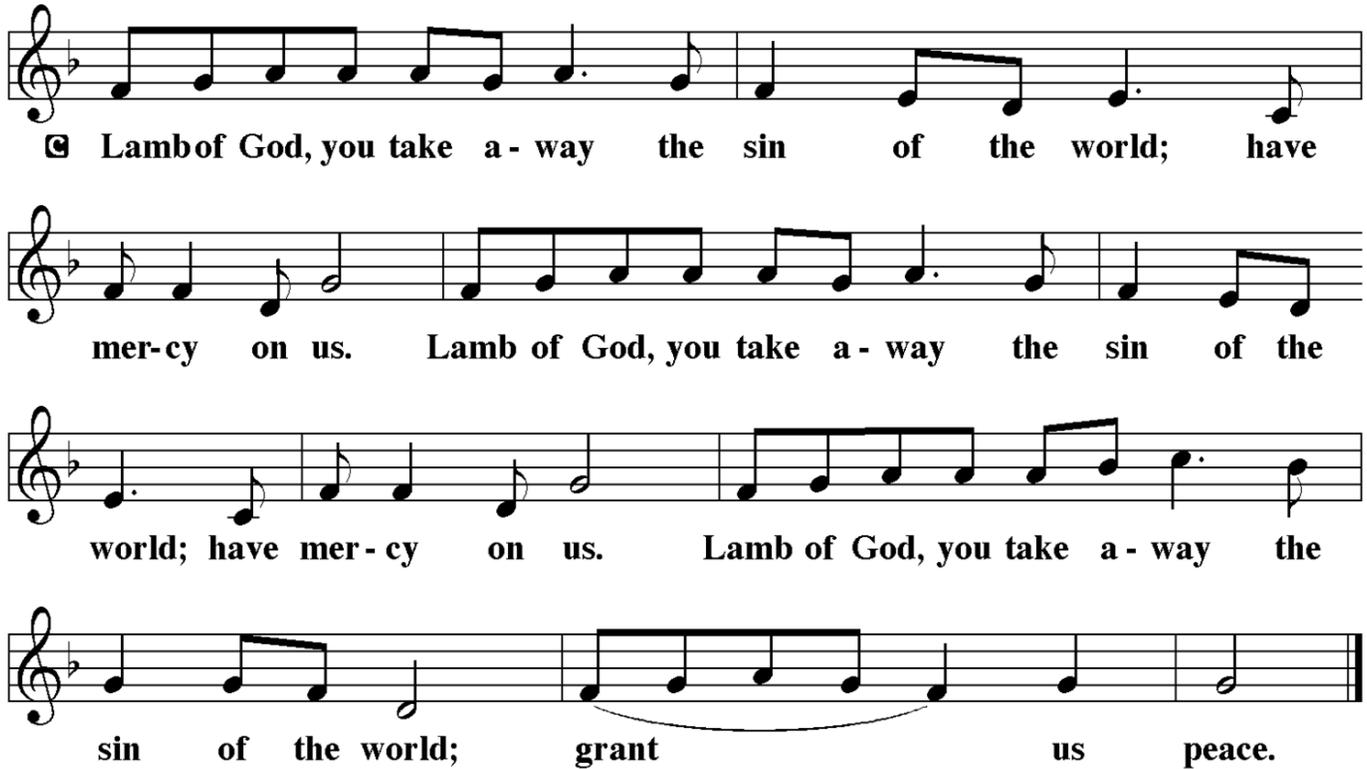
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God has prepared a banquet for all to share.
Come, take your place at the feast.

AGNUS DEI



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

The Sacrament will be distributed by Intinction, pulpit side first. Please move into the center aisle, proceed to the Pastor, and receive the bread in your open hand. Then turn to the assistant, where you may dip the host into the wine and partake, returning to your seat by the side aisle. The lectern side will follow, then the choir. Those unable to come forward may receive the Sacrament in their pews.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Blessed Assurance”

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TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ’s body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SERVING TODAY (11/10/19)

8:00 AM

**LECTOR: Ron Rozansky; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Kay Weidensaul;
GREETER: ; COUNTERS: Rosalie Wingle, Marlene Eidam & Diane Brobst;
ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Miller & Connie Teter**

10:30 AM

**LECTOR: Wayne Lutsey; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Jennifer Betz; USHERS:
Linda Auteri & Wendy Schuld; GREETER: Steve Couch; COUNTERS: Rosalie
Wingle, Marlene Eidam & Diane Brobst; ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Miller &
Connie Teter**

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (11/17/19)

8:00 AM

**LECTOR: Connie Teter; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Ruth Ann Withers;
GREETER: ; COUNTERS: Joyce O'Rourke, Gloria Dierwechter & Dana
Jenkins; ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Miller & Connie Teter**

10:30 AM

**LECTOR: Wendy Schuld; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Wayne Lutsey; USHERS:
Swick Family; GREETER: Steve Couch; COUNTERS: Joyce O'Rourke, Gloria
Dierwechter & Dana Jenkins; ALTAR GUILD: Kathy Miller & Connie Teter**

CALENDAR

Saturday, November 9	5:30 PM	Worship w/ Potluck dinner immediately following
Sunday, November 10	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Adult Forum
	9:15 AM	Property Committee
	10:30 AM	Worship
Monday, November 11		VETERANS' DAY

Tuesday, November 12	1:00 PM	WELCA
	7:00 PM	Church Council
Wednesday, November 13	6:00 PM	Bell Choir
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
Thursday, November 14	6:00 PM	Social Media
	7:00 PM	Christian Ed.
Saturday, November 16	9:00 AM	Men of St. Paul's Chili & Soup Sale on the Square
	5:30 PM	Worship
Sunday, November 17	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Adult Forum
	10:30 AM	Worship
Monday, November 18	6:30 PM	Worship & Music
	6:30 PM	Finance

EVANGELISM NEWS

We will be having a potluck dinner for all following the Saturday night worship service on November 9! Please sign up to bring either a hot dish or dessert!

Sunday, December 15, we will be having breakfast treats for all following the 8 AM service!

CHILI AND SOUP SALE

The Men of St. Paul's will host a Chili and Soup Sale on the Square on Saturday, November 16, 2019, from 9 AM until everything is gone. Homemade chili and a variety of delicious soups will be available for \$7/quart.

UPCOMING WELCA MEETING

Our November meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12, at 1:00 PM. The program this month will be presented by Pastor Mike, who will speak on “Giving Thanks and the Bible.” All St. Paul’s women are invited to attend.

Our December In-Gathering offering has been designated for “Opportunity House”—Supportive Services for Veterans’ Families. The Pottsville case manager is St. Paul’s own Victoria Spitler.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Please plan to worship with your friends and neighbors at Salem United Methodist Church on Wednesday, November 27, 2019, at 7 PM. There are no musical rehearsals scheduled for that evening.

ARLENE KLINGER MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES

First United Methodist Church
330 W Market Street Pottsville, Pa
Sunday, November 10, 2019, at 4 PM

An Evening of Welsh and Sacred Music

Featuring Soprano Katherine Crusi
Accompanied by Keith Trievel and Mark O’Hearn

A free-will offering will be taken. Please join us for a post-concert reception to meet the artists. Please mark your calendars for this exciting event!

CHURCH FLOWER PRICES

As of January 1, Freed’s Flowers will increase their prices: The minimum price for a Chancel Basket will be \$25.00 and Altar Flowers will cost \$30.00.

If you would like to order a special arrangement for a given date, you can do that by contacting Freed’s directly; just mark the flower book accordingly.

Please see Sue Schenck with any questions.

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

Poinsettias for Christmas Eve will be ordered from Blue Mountain Farms, New Ringgold, PA.
The cost of an 8+ bloom plant is \$8.00.

You may purchase these flowers and dedicate them “in honor of” or “in memory of” someone
in your life.

If you choose not to dedicate the plants, you will be listed as a sponsor.

THE DEADLINE TO ORDER POINSETTIAS IS DECEMBER 1.

Please complete this form and return it with payment to the plate in the gathering room.

YOUR NAME: _____

I would like to order _____ red poinsettia(s);

I would like to order _____ white poinsettia(s);

I would like to order _____ pink poinsettia(s);

I would like to order _____ marble (pink and white marbled flower) poinsettia(s);

I would like to order _____ jingle bell (red with white speckled flower) poinsettia(s);

at \$8.00 each. I wish to dedicate my flowers(s) “in honor/memory of”
(Please circle one)

Honor/Memory: _____

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WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE HYMNS?

In connection with the celebration of our 175th Anniversary as a congregation, the Worship and Music Committee is planning a hymn sing with everyone's favorites for late January. So that we may get a supplemental songbook together, we need your help. Could you please let me know your favorite hymn(s)?

We want to make this an expansion of our hymnbook, so please send me any title(s) you would like to include. Many old hymns may be part of the public domain, but we can't guarantee that all hymns requested will be included. Down the road, we'll also be asking for sponsors of a little spiral-bound volume so that we can enjoy hymn sings for years to come.

Thank you so much!

Juli Schenck
juli.schenck@hughes.net

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Men of St. Paul's and WELCA will be holding a dinner for all congregational members on Sunday, December 8, at 5:00 PM in Reidler Hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Place. Please sign up if you plan to join us.

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