

Penns Valley Charge U.M.C. Worship Service for Sunday, September 13, 2020

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CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Though the storm clouds of doubt and fear threaten to overcome us

P: God leads us into ways of peace.

L: When the darkness of war and the deep pit of anger reach toward us

P: God lifts and carries us through the darkness with hope and light.

L: Lord of hope and life, be with us today.

P: God of mercy and peace, lead our lives. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

We sing and speak your praise, O God, grateful for the many ways in which you have healed us. Keep our hearts, our minds, and our spirits open to learn ways in which we can offer healing love for others. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE When You Need a Helping Hand

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – Offering plate located at the sanctuary entrance

JOYS AND CONCERNS - PASTORAL PRAYER (*The Lord's Prayer "trespass"*)

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Ezekiel 33:7-11, Matthew 18:15-20

MESSAGE When God Transforms Evil into Good

HYMN: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

COMMISSION & BLESSING

Messages are available by phone 24/7 at 814-422-6238 and updated weekly.

Services are also available online starting early morning Sundays at www.PennsValleyParish.info

Worship is being held in person with necessary precautions:

8:30am at Trinity UMC, Woodward

9:45am at St. James UMC, Coburn

11am at Sprucetown UMC, Spring Mills

PASTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

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BIBLE STUDY: Into the Sea

Read [Exodus 14:19-31](#) and [Exodus 15:1b-11 & 20-21](#)

- How would you have felt witnessing the events described in this passage? Would you have had compassion on the Egyptians as you watched them driven into the sea? Why or why not?
- What do you think the Israelites would have learned about God from this experience?
- What do we learn about God from this passage?
- Recall a time when you felt God liberated or freed you. Share what you can about that experience with the group. How was God with you during that difficult journey?
- What might it mean to “fear” the Lord (14:31)? How does that connect with the belief that God is our hope?

CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty God, we give you thanks as the God who defeated the ultimate enemies of sin, death, and evil. We praise you that through an eternal relationship with you, we experience freedom and abundance. Equip us to stretch out our arms to help others experience your grace and love. Amen.