

Order of Worship for Sunday, November 14, 2021

For the transformation of the world, we make disciples. We study God's Word and offer praise and worship as we strengthen each other for outreach beyond the church walls.

Theresa M. Heiser, Pastor Visit the charge site at PennsValleyParish.info

Listen to the message 24/7 at 814-422-6238. Visit PennsValleyParish.info for more details!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Full members of the church are encouraged to attend our Charge Conference next Sunday, November 21st at St. James in Coburn starting at 2:15pm. Arrive by 2pm to sign in, receive your packet and find a seat. To ensure enough printed packets, please let Pastor Theresa know you plan to attend at 814-883-9510
- The next "Coffee with the Pastor" is Wednesday, Nov. 17 at Burkholders at 8:30am
- Gingerbread House decorating party is Wed., Dec. 1st. Cost is \$35. Sign up on the sheet near the offering plate or online at PennsValleyParish.info.

CENTERING WORDS To everything there is a season. A time to every purpose under heaven.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE *Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary. Pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Buildings crumble and the earth shakes.

P: Hold onto God in the midst of the storm.

L: Famine devours the land while wars rage.

P: Look to Christ for safety.

L: Wolves in sheep's clothing come to deceive us.

P: Pray to the Spirit for wisdom and guidance.

OPENING PRAYER

Creating God, we give you thanks for this day, for the breath of life in our bodies, and for the ability to gather here as your faithful followers. During this time, may our prayers be honest and heart-felt. May we support and encourage one another. May our words be kind and compassionate. May we be inspired by your Holy Spirit to do good deeds, and to love without question or boundaries. And may we glorify you with our whole being. In the name of Christ, we pray. AMEN.

OPENING HYMN Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me United Methodist Hymnal #361

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – DOXOLOGY

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.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Be Careful Who You Follow

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord’s Prayer “trespass”)

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Mark 13:1-8

MESSAGE Unrevealed, Until Its Season

CLOSING HYMN Hymn of Promise United Methodist Hymnal #707

COMMISSION & BLESSING

THIS WEEK’S SELF STUDY: Everything She Had

Read [Mark 12:38-44](#).

- Read the passage a second time; notice just how stark a contrast Jesus makes between the scribes and the poor widow.
- How did the widow live a life that mattered?
- What might we learn about living a life that matters from this widow? [She embodied generosity, quiet obedience, a focus toward others.]
- How can the practices of giving and generosity be a sign of our trust in God?
- How can the practices of giving and generosity be countercultural?
- What have you learned about living a life that matters?

SENDING FORTH PRAYER

Giver of good and perfect gifts, your character is one who gives. As John 3:16 so famously reminds us, you have given yourself as a sign of your love for the world. As your followers, one of the ways we can most mimic your character is through acts of generosity. Give us the eyes to see the needs around us and the willingness to give of ourselves that others would know of your love. Amen.

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