

Order of Worship for Sunday, October 9, 2022

Emerging Heroes: Heroes Focus on Kingdom Building

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING WORDS “[Hero Makers] create a new scoreboard grounded in solid theology and ministry practice, one that can tell your church whether God’s kingdom is winning and whether the mission of Jesus is being advanced.” – Hero Maker

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the midst of your hectic week you have come to worship God.

P: Our lives are pulled in so many directions, we seek God’s guidance.

L: Let go of the burdens that weigh you down. God will take them.

P: We thank God for the respite we are given.

L: Tune your hearts and voices in praise to God.

P: Let our voices bear the joy we feel because of God’s love for us.

† OPENING PRAYER

For the healing love you have offered to us; for the patience you have with us; for your presence that will never fail, we give you thanks, O Lord. Bring our hearts and spirits to you that we may grow in our faith and service to you by serving others. We ask this in Jesus’ Name. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN “What do you say?” Based on Luke 17:11-19

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 Exercising Your Faith Based on Luke 17:5-6

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

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Hebrews 11

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† CLOSING HYMN Lord of the Dance UMH #261

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info

Harvest Home Food Pantry non-perishables will be collected through November 20th.

- **Today is the LAST day to make known what office you are willing to serve in 2023.** The officers list is available for review. Thank you for prayerfully considering servant leadership!

- October 9 – Bring a covered dish for a Potluck Lunch following 11am worship at Sprucetown UMC!

- October 13 – Penns Valley Homecoming Parade & Pep Rally, Grange Fairgrounds 6:30pm, stop by St. James UMC's Soup Sale, proceeds benefit the Historic Paradise Church Cemetery Association.

- October 15 – St. James UMC's basement clean up 8:30-11:30am. Clearing out numerous silk flower arrangements, craft supplies, much more. All are invited. Coffee and snacks provided.

- October 16 – Laity Sunday Commissioning Service

- October 16 – Egg Hill Church Homecoming Service is at 2pm

- October 20 - Ladies Coffee & Conversation at St. James UMC 9:30am, all ladies welcome!

- October 23 – Penns Valley Cluster Pulpit Swap; Randy Muthersbaugh at Trinity, St. James and Sprucetown; Deb Dailey at Faith. Pastor Theresa visits Grace, Centre Hall.

- October 24 – 4th Quarter SPRC meeting 7pm at St. James UMC, Coburn

- October 25 – Soup Kitchen at St. James UMC Contact: Paula Smith

- **October 26 - Our Charge Conference is now October 26 6:30pm hosted by Sprucetown UMC.** Full church members will attend to holy conferencing, led by our District Superintendent, to approve reports, officers and more. All are welcome. Full members may vote.

- October 29 – Halloween Open House at St. James UMC, Coburn 11am-1pm with treats, crafts, food and more! Anyone who would like to decorate a pew and give out treats is welcome to join the fun!

ABOUT OUR CHURCH:

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