

Order of Worship for Sunday, Sunday, June 25, 2023

Mindsets – Church: Tickle Our Ears or Scripture Curious & Me: Manifesting or God is Sovereign

Hear Pastor’s Sermon by Phone 24/7 at 814-422-6238 - Website: PennsValleyParish.info

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.

CENTERING WORDS Jesus is honest about the perils of following his way, yet he also promises us that he will stay with us, even when the way is difficult.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Incline your ear, O God. Hear the praises of your people.

P: Gladden the hearts of your servants, as we lift up our souls to you.

L: For you, O God, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love.

P: In the day of trouble we call on you, knowing you will answer.

L: Your people everywhere glorify your name.

P: For you are slow to anger, and abound in steadfast love. Turn to us and be gracious.

† OPENING PRAYER

Thank you, Loving Spirit, for the warmth of summer and for your invitation to embrace abundant life. Your promise of resurrection allows past troubles to die, as we rise with you to new life.

Inspire us to follow your lead, even when it requires us to bear a cross of sacrifice in your name.

May our love for you be complete, as we share words and acts of compassion with a world that yearns for your peace. AMEN.

OPENING HYMN It Is Well with My Soul UMH #377

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 God Cares for Ishmael Matthew 10:31, Genesis 21:8-21

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

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Romans 6:1-11 // Matthew 10:24-39

MESSAGE: I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel

Our Church has a ... Tickle Our Ears Mindset – Modern scripture interpretation makes space for

culturally popular ideas to change what we proclaim true about God. **-OR – Scripture Curious**

Mindset – Bible-based teaching, counter-cultural as it is, makes us eager to examine Scripture together and on our own to see if what is taught is true.

I have a ... Manifesting Mindset – I can, by my sovereign will, speak something into existence by decreeing and declaring what I want. - **OR – God is Sovereign Mindset** – Only God calls things that were not into being according to His will.

† CLOSING HYMN Let There Be Peace on Earth UMH #431

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info

July 2 – Communion Sunday

July 5 – St. James UMC Trustees meet at 6:30pm, Ad Board meets at 7pm

July 6 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation at St. James in Coburn at 9:30am. All are welcome.

July 17 – Trinity Trustees and Ad Board meeting at 7pm. All are welcome.

July 22-28 – Pastor on vacation, Edie Hertzog serves July 23. Urgent pastoral need, contact Randy Muthersbaugh 814-470-9828. (Please note new phone number for Randy.)

June 27 – Historic Paradise Church Cemetery Assn Meeting 7pm at St. James, Coburn, all welcome!

JULY 30 – Penns Valley Charge Praise & Worship & Picnic – We will come together at host church Trinity in Woodward for worship in the pavilion starting at 10:30am. Bring a lawn chair for comfy seating and a covered dish to share. Lemonade, water and table service provided.

Sponsor a butterfly in honor or memory of loved ones: For \$7 you can sponsor a butterfly released as part of our Rebirth and Renewal Service. Fill out the form that follows and put it and your sponsorship total, cash or check payable to Penns Valley Charge UMC into the offering plate by July 9.

Rebirth & Renewal service Butterfly sponsorship: In ____ Honor of // ____ Memory of:

Name(s) _____

\$7 per butterfly – Total enclosed: \$ _____

Sponsor name(s) _____

Your sponsorship will appear in the bulletin insert at our charge wide picnic worship. Thank you.

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