Order of Worship for Sunday, June 16, 2024 – 4rd Sunday After Pentecost, Year B / Fathers Day Hear Pastor's Sermon by Phone 24/7 at 814-422-6238 - Website: PennsValleyParish.info For personal transformation, we study God's Word to learn how we shall live, offer praise and worship and strengthen each other. For the transformation of the world, we make disciples.

CENTERING WORDS The God of the universe is expressed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Diversity in unity. Multiple and yet singular. Three in one.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE The Sanctuary Song Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you. (sing twice)

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God interrupted Samuel with an unexpected call.

P: "Here I am, Lord. Send me!"

L: God surprised Jesse, choosing his youngest son, David, to be king.

P: "Here I am, Lord. Send me!"

L: We join with Christ and are a part of God's new creation.

P: O Mighty God, we come to join the harvest.

L: Gather us in, O Holy One,

P: for we would be your people, known to be children of God.

#### † OPENING PRAYER

God of small seeds and mighty plants, you take our meager lives and with your love cause them to produce acts of loving kindness for you in this world. You hear our cries and find us when we are lost and wandering in fear. You bring us home with you so that we may be made whole, rejoicing in your goodness. Help us to joyfully serve you all our days, knowing that you are always watching over us. Prepare our hearts to receive your word and our spirits to respond in eagerness to serve you. In Jesus' name, we pray. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN Happy the Home When God Is There UMH #445

## † 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.

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

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST – St. James & Sprucetown

#### HYMN OF PREPARATION Near to the Heart of God UMH #472

SELECTED SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 8-13 // 2 Corinthians 13:14 // 1 John 3:1 // Romans 2:4 // Proverbs 3:11-12

MESSAGE Holy Trinity Series: God As Father

† CLOSING HYMN O Lord, May Church and Home Combine UMH #695

## † COMMISSION AND BLESSING

## **Meditation Questions:**

- 1. How is thinking about God as Father helpful? How is it problematic?
- 2. Why is it so significant that Jesus referenced God <u>repeatedly</u> as Father?
- 3. How are God's laws, rules, and regulations a form of love toward us?
- 4. How have you experienced God as a father in your life?

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS - Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info

June 20 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation, 9:30am, hosted at St. James UMC in Coburn. All welcome.

July 3 – St. James Trustees meeting 6:30pm, Administrative Board at 7pm. All are welcome.

July 4 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation, 9:30am, hosted at St. James UMC in Coburn. All welcome.

July 28 - The Penns Valley Charge wide worship and picnic is Sunday, July 28th hosted at and with Fellowship Bible Church on Lower Georges Valley Road. Bring a lawn chair for worship at 10:30am and a covered dish to share for the potluck picnic that follows. Sponsor a butterfly for \$10 in honor or memory of loved ones. Details on the form below.

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# Detach and place into the offering plate or mail to the church along with payment:

Sponsor a butterfly for \$10 at the Butterfly Release, part of our Penns Valley Charge Churches' Unified Worship and Picnic Sunday, July 28, 2024. Worship at 10:30am at the grounds behind Fellowship Bible Church, 642 Lower Georges Valley Road, Spring Mills. Potluck picnic follows! Forms due Monday, July 15, 2024. Make checks payable to "Penns Valley UM Charge".

Your Name:	# of butterflies x \$10 =
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