Order of Worship for Sunday, July 21, 2024 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost, Year B 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 [Proverbs 16:32] Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city.

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: From far and near, we gather together,

P: called to unity in Christ.

L: Built into one body,

P: we are the dwelling place of God.

L: May God guide our steps and direct our ways,

P: that we may reveal God's love in word and deed.

OPENING PRAYER

Holy Spirit, flow through our worship. Dwell in us this day and all days. Speak through our words, breathe into our thoughts, and gather us together as one community of faith. Build us together on the foundation that is ours in Christ Jesus our cornerstone. Flow through our days, that we may be reflections of your presence. In your holy name, we pray. AMEN.

OPENING HYMN Near to the Heart of God UMH #472

† 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 UMC & Sprucetown UMC

HYMN OF PREPARATION Stand By Me UMH #512 v. 1-3

SELECTED SCRIPTURE

MESSAGE How we respond in our anger matters to God

† CLOSING HYMN Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service UMH #581

† COMMISSION AND BLESSING

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info OUR NEW BISHOP: Bishop Héctor Antonio Burgos-Núñez will be assigned to the Susquehanna Conference of the United Methodist Church. He will be shared with the Upper New York Annual Conference as part of the new episcopal area configuration. Bishop Héctor A. Burgos Núñez was elected to the episcopacy by the Northeastern Jurisdictional Conference on November 4, 2022. He is the first Hispanic-Latino bishop in the Northeastern Jurisdiction. Bishop Héctor A. Burgos Núñez holds an M.Div. from the School of Theology at Drew University in Madison, NJ, a bachelor's in business administration with a concentration in Management and Strategic Marketing from the University of Puerto Rico, and a graduate certificate in Information Systems Technology.

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.

August 1 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation begins at 9:30am at St. James UMC, Coburn. Ladies from the valley are invited to chat and have a wonderful time. You do not have to belong to this or any church.

August 4 – Communion Sunday

August 16-24 – Centre County Grange Encampment and Fair – Attention campers, if you would like to hear the message from your tent or camper, call sermon by phone at 814-422-6238.

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