

Order of Worship for October 27, 2024 – 23rd 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 Taste and see that the Lord is good. God’s steadfast love endures forever.

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: Bless the Lord at all times.

P: Let everyone bless God.

L: Praise the Lord continually.

P: Let everyone praise Christ.

L: Our souls boast in the Lord.

P: We boast in the Spirit’s greatness.

L: With one voice, we magnify and exalt the Lord,
for God has delivered us and made us whole.

P: Exalt our God, the Lord of life.

† OPENING PRAYER

**Great Triune God, through Jesus Christ, our great and eternal High Priest,
we give you praise and consecrate ourselves to follow you. As we worship you
and celebrate your glorious resurrection, open our eyes so that we may see —
open the eyes of our mind to learning and understanding;
open the eyes of our heart, to love and compassion;
open the eyes of our soul, to see our spiritual selves during our time of worship.
AMEN.**

† OPENING HYMN What a Friend We Have in Jesus UMH #526

† 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

H YMN OF PREPARATION I Need Thee Every Hour UMH #397

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Job 42:1-6, 10-12 // Psalm 34 // Mark 10:46-52

MESSAGE Pray, Pursue, and Possess the Promises of Christ

† CLOSING HYMN Precious Name UMH #536

† COMMISSION AND BLESSING

PARTING THOUGHT Seek the Lord, and God will answer. Happy are those who take refuge in our God. The Lord will deliver them from their tears.

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info
Harvest Home Food Drive – collecting non-perishables and food pantry donations through Harvest Home Sunday, November 24th

TUESDAY – Our Church Conference begins at 6:30pm at Faith UMC, 107 Two Steeples Lane, Spring Mills. Full members are encouraged to vote on items that impact the church. Anyone may attend. Sign up for your conference packet on the form near the bulletins. Arrive early enough to look through the materials in preparation for voting.

November 3 – All Saints Sunday – Bring a photo or memento of a saint who has gone to glory.

November 7 - Ladies Coffee & Conversation for all ladies 9:30am at St. James in Coburn

November 10 – Sprucetown UMC’s 2nd Sunday Potluck Lunch following worship. Bring a covered dish if you like and stay for lunch! Administrative Board/Trustees will meet after lunch.

November 25 – Advent Book study “On the Way to Bethlehem” begins. It runs 4 Mondays 7-8pm via Zoom. Registration is required by Nov. 24th. Details at PennsValleyParish.info

Christmas Eve Services are Dec. 24 at 3pm at Sprucetown UMC and 6pm at St. James UMC.

Invite your friends and neighbors to worship with us!

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