

Order of Worship for November 10, 2024 – 25th 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 The world should be able to look at us and how we live and be drawn to Christ through us.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: What joy it is to have you here today!

P: We have come from very busy lives, filled both with joys and difficulties.

L: Welcome to this place in which God will ease your burdens and celebrate your joys with you.

P: We have come to find hope and peace in our lives.

L: Whatever has happened this week in your life, know that God is with you and offering you peace, rest and blessing.

P: Thanks be to God who accepts us as we are, and thanks for the warm welcome in this service of worship.

† OPENING PRAYER

Lord, we have come to you this day bringing all that we have, our lives, our hopes and dreams, our fears and sorrows. We place these before you in faith and hope, knowing that no matter what has happened you are with us and blessing us. Open our hearts to receive your words and your spirit, that we may find healing and comfort. Open our lives to the wondrous possibilities for service and joy that you offer to us. Ease our minds and spirits that we may hear the words of encouragement and peace this day. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN A Charge to Keep I Have UMH #413

† 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 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling UMH #384

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 // Hebrews 9:24-28 // Mark 12:38-44

MESSAGE The Measure of Generosity

† CLOSING HYMN HYMN The Church of Christ, in Every Age UMH #589

† COMMISSION AND BLESSING

PARTING THOUGHT Jesus sees what the world often overlooks—He values the sacrifice made in faith, and He calls us to follow in His footsteps with hearts full of love, trust, and self-giving.

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

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 18 – Trinity Trustees and Administrative Board meet at 7pm

November 21 - Ladies Coffee & Conversation for all ladies 9:30am at St. James in Coburn

November 24 – Harvest Home Sunday message “With Hands to the Plow”

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

December 1 – 1st Sunday of Advent

December 5 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation for all ladies 9:30am at St. James in Coburn

December 8 – Christmas Lunch at Sprucetown UMC following worship at 11am

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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