Order of Worship Sunday, January 19, 2025 2nd Sunday After Epiphany/Human Relations Day Hear Pastor's Sermon by Phone 24/7 at 814-422-6238 - Website: PennsValleyParish.info † - Please rise in body or spirit where you see this symbol.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING WORDS Fill the emptiness of our lives with the abundant love of God, then watch the miracles flow.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Jesus surprised the people at the wedding.

P: They were sure they would be disappointed.

L: They thought that their host was not prepared for their needs.

P: We are not much different. We are not sure God is prepared for our needs.

L: Lord, change our whining into praising!

P: Change our moaning and complaining into celebrations of joy!

† OPENING PRAYER

Lord, open our hearts to the surprising ways in which you offer to us your love and your presence. Help us to truly believe in the wondrous ways that you work in our lives. Give us hearts and spirits for service to you. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN Fill My Cup. Lord (Sing twice) UMH #641

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 - (The Lord's Prayer "trespass")

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST – St. James UMC & Sprucetown UMC

HYMN OF PREPARATION Spirit Song UMH #347

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Isaiah 62:1-5 // 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 // John 2:1-11

MESSAGE When Jesus Shows Up, Newness and Hope Overflow

† CLOSING HYMN Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory of the Coming of the Lord UMH #717

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

PARTING THOUGHT The steadiness of God's love can be the assurance needed to return after wandering, to claim and utilize gifts we are given, and to rejoice in a celebration even when supplies run short.

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info Today is Human Relations Sunday, a special Sunday across our denomination focused on fostering better relationships and supporting community and youth outreach. On the Sunday before Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, we celebrate and take up a special offering to help bring his vision of a "beloved community" to life. To give to the Special Offering, use the envelope provided near the bulletins. Or write Human Relations on the memo of your check. We will also accept next Sunday. January 22 – Penns Valley Charge Staff Parish Relations Committee meeting 7pm at St. James, 501 Main Street, Coburn.

January 23-26 - January 23-26 - Pastor Theresa is on vacation. Rev. Sandy Kraft will be available for urgent pastoral care by calling 570-575-8225. Lay Speaker Sue Hunter will fill the pulpit January 26. January 29 - Soup Kitchen at St. James. For more information, reach out to Paula Smith.

February 6 - Ladies Coffee & Conversation for all ladies 9:30am at St. James in Coburn

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February 9 – Potluck Lunch following worship. Bring a covered dish to share if you like.

Ash Wednesday is March 5, 2025

Palm Sunday is April 13, 2025

Easter Sunday is April 20, 2025

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