

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS  
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC  
www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932  
6th Sunday of Easter  
Sunday, May 14, 2023  
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Blaine Breeden

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude- "Happy the Home When God Is There"

Johnson/Dykes

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 139)

L: We have come to worship God,

**P: who loved us before we were born.**

L: We have come to honor God, who knows us even better than we know ourselves.

**P: Whose presence never leaves us, and whose love for us never ends.**

L: We come with reverence for God who nurtures and loves us unconditionally,

**P: And comforts us in times of need.**

**ALL: Praise to our living, loving God!**

Hymn: "Happy the Home When God Is There" - #536 Red Hymnal

Dykes

Confession

L: God calls us to live the full and abundant life He intends. Fearfully and wonderfully made in God's image, we cling to our independence and fail to welcome Him into our lives. Let us offer our confession:

**ALL: God, you loved us into being. Forgive us when we fail to honor you as your beloved children. Sometimes we forget you are there for us, and we do not reach out to you because we don't want to bother you. Sometimes we are embarrassed to admit our mistakes. Help us to reach out to you at any and all times of our lives, we pray. Amen.**

L: When we fall, God lifts us up. When we grieve, God weeps with us. When we fail, God forgives us and restores us.

**ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Children's Message - Melisa Altland

Sanctuary Choir: "God Bless Our Homes"

Schram

Scripture: Portions of Proverbs 31 – Jean Weidler

Message: Witness of Love

Hymn: "A Christian Home" - #535 Red Hymnal

Sibelius

Announcements

Joys and Concerns

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed (Lent Praise Booklet- p. 3)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Lent Praise Booklet- p. 3)

Hymn: "In the Bulb There's a Flower" (Lent Praise Booklet- p. 19)

Sleeth

Benediction

Postlude- "My Heart Ever Faithful"

Bach/Smith



Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns

May 14, 2023

Memorial Vase...

The flowers in the Memorial Vase are in memory of Helen Carl from her children.

Mother's Day Carnations...

The Mother's Day carnations were provided by Bob Strausbaugh in loving memory of his wife, Norma. Thank you, Bob, for continuing this twenty plus year tradition.

Thank You...

Thank you, Royce Messersmith, for your generous donation to the Vacation Bible School Program.

Thank You...

Thank you to the members of our congregation for their generous donations for the hygiene kits for Spring Grove students. The kits go to students at all grade levels according to need. 150 kits were assembled on May 8<sup>th</sup> by representatives from four churches: St. Paul's UCC (Stoverstown), St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Stoverstown), Ziegler's Lutheran Church, and us. We hope to continue this partnership for next school year. These kits are assembled three times during the school terms. We will know in August what items will be needed for the fall.

Thank you~ *Jean Weidler.*

Donations for the Projector and Parking Lot Projects...

We are going to use our Building for Service Fund to keep track of the donations. If you wish to make a donation for the Projector and Parking Lot projects, you have several options. You may use the special envelopes on the cart marked, "Donations: Projector and Parking Lot Projects," you may use the brown envelopes and use the Building for Service line to designate how much you want to give, you may use your regular offering envelope and write on how much you'd like to contribute, or you may donate online through Vanco (see our website). Anything marked "Projector & Parking Lot," "Building for Service," "BFS," "Projects," or anything similar will be put into the Building for Service Fund and used for the projector and parking lot projects. If you have any questions, you can contact the office. Thank you for considering a donation to these projects.

Summer Lunch Volunteers at Harvest of Hope...

The summer lunch volunteer sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Our church will need to provide 4 volunteers for each session on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Also, Harvest of Hope is looking for a couple of individuals to be trained as managers. You can work as little or as much as you want. All who are interested should contact Keith Bergey at (717) 891-9963.**

Geraniums for Pentecost Order Information...

Pentecost geraniums will once again be part of our Pentecost and Confirmation service on May 28<sup>th</sup>! The cost is \$5.50 per plant, and the deadline for ordering is May 16<sup>th</sup>. The potted red geraniums

will be available to sponsor for honoring a loved one, perhaps a confirmand, or as a memorial to a loved one. That information will be printed and shared in the bulletin. The geraniums will be placed in the sanctuary on Pentecost Sunday. Please be sure to pick up your flower/flowers after the service. Some of you might not have a garden, or a spot to keep a geranium at your home. Not to worry...you could still sponsor a flower and leave it at church to be planted in the church flower beds where it will be enjoyed by everyone as we enter the sanctuary each Sunday throughout the summer! And of course, we will need help planting them! That information will be announced later! So, there are several options to participate in this celebratory event!

Please pick up a marked envelope on the cart in the overflow room and write your information on the enclosed form. Return it with your money via the offering plate, which is on the cart in the overflow room. If you are watching the services on YouTube, and not attending in-person, please mail your sponsorship info, # of plants, payment, and if you are gifting any to the church. Remember to call the office to make pick up arrangements. Thank you for supporting this special event. If you have any questions, please contact Darlene Miner.

### **Jefferson Homemakers Meeting...**

The Jefferson Homemakers will meet by 11:00 AM in the church parking lot on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> to go out to Perkins Restaurant in Hanover.

### **Plastic Recycling at CRDC Collection Day...**

The next collection day at the church for your plastic recyclables to take to CRDC is Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. CRDC accepts all clean plastics, Styrofoam, and plastic bags. You can collect your plastics in any garbage bag. When the bag is full, secure the bag **by knotting** it at the top. Don't use metal twist ties. **Bring your plastic recycle bags to the church May 21<sup>st</sup> and put them into the pickup trucks parked in the circle by the glass doors. When the trucks are full, leave your bags in the grass circle by the trucks. You can expect plastic recycle collections around the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month through the summer.** If you have questions about what can be recycled, please contact the church office.

### **York Revolution Baseball Game- Sign-Up ...**

St. Peter's Lischey's will have a church outing June 3, 2023 to a Revolution baseball game. This is their annual Faith & Family Night and will feature inside the park fireworks. Game time is 6:30 PM. Children 12 and under will get a free playground wristband. Tickets are \$10 per person and food vouchers are \$7 apiece. A food voucher gets you a regular hotdog, chips, and a drink or it can be used as a \$7 concession credit. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the overflow room. You can put your ticket and food voucher money in a brown offering envelope and put it in the offering plate. Please sign up by May 30<sup>th</sup> so that the tickets can be ordered.

### **Highlights from the May council meeting...**

- Pastor Cathy has agreed to renew her contract with us through August.
- Since it was well received, we have decided to have another plastics and styrofoam collection for CRDC in York on Sunday May 21<sup>st</sup>.
- To kick off the collection for our approved upcoming projects of the AV projector and the parking lot resurfacing and re-lining, we are asking anyone interested in donating to these projects to put donations in the envelopes marked for the project, or the brown envelopes marked for Building for Service (BFS).

**Thank you to our helpers this week:****Next week's helpers are:**

<i>Children's Message</i>	Melisa Altland	
<i>Greeters</i>	Donna & Dave Wiker	Jean Gross & Michele Hamme
<i>Acolyte</i>	Sierra Godfrey	TJ Mensinger
<i>Lay Liturgist</i>	Jean Weidler	Jean Gross
<i>Money Counters</i>	Carol Brown & Pat McKowen	Elvin Myers, Don Carl, & Tammy Wetzel
<i>Sound &amp; Streaming</i>	Diane Breeden & Amanda Godfrey	Pat McKowen & Steve Miner

**Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...**

Thursday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, May 21 <sup>st</sup>	10:30 AM	Music Appreciation Sunday- All Choirs Perform
Sunday, May 28 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 AM	Pentecost Sunday/ Confirmation Sunday/ Communion
Monday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Church Offices Closed

**Office Hours...**

The office will be open Monday through Thursday this week. See below for hours. Doors will be locked for security; therefore, we ask that you call (717) 225-3932 to let us know you are coming. Staff will be there at the following times:

Cathy Sherry, Pastor	Mon/Wed	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Mon-Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**Upcoming Birthdays (\*Designates Over 80)**

May 14	Meggie Byers	May 19	Linda Pentz
May 14	Pamela Noel	May 20	Diane Kimball
May 16	Leah Myers	May 20	Ryan McKowen
May 16	Susan Sanders		

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE LAST SUNDAY WAS...**

Attendance	65 Sanctuary/ 4 YouTube
Current Offering	\$2,914.00
OCWM	115.00
Vacation Bible School	75.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,104.00</b>