

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC
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Pentecost -The Sacrament of Holy Communion
Sunday, May 19, 2024 - 10:30 AM

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Michele Hamme

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude- "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

Hegarty/Gottschalle

Call to Worship (Based on Acts 2):

L: When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.

P: And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a wind!

L: They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them.

P: And they were filled with the Holy Spirit!

L: Peter said, "This Jesus, God raised up. And every one of us here is a witness to it! Change your life and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

ALL: And that day three thousand people welcomed this message and were baptized!

Come Holy Spirit, come!

Hymn: "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song" (Lent and Easter Praise Booklet- p. 18)

Cutts

Prayer of Confession:

L: God calls each of us to listen and act. Let us place ourselves before God and open our minds and hearts to God's loving forgiveness.

ALL: God, if we have been singing praises with our voices and kept the joy out of our hearts, forgive us. If we have prayed only for what was possible and hoped only for what we could see, have mercy upon us. If we have allowed waiting on your Spirit to slip into laziness, and waiting on the Kingdom to be replaced by apathy, forgive us and lead us to life in you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

L: Whoever is in Christ is a new creation; the old has passed away. Behold, the new has come.

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Children's Message - Melisa Altland

Hymn: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"- Red Hymnal #252

Akers

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21 – Jean Weidler

Message: We Are Witnesses

Sanctuary Choir: "Go Ye Into All the World"

Butler

Reception of New Members

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Sacrament of Holy Communion

L: Jesus has been raised by God, as we can all bear witness. All that you see and hear flows from him.

ALL: He sits at the right hand of God. All that we see and hear flows from Him.

L: We thank you O God, for the gift of your Holy Spirit . . . your church to continue Christ's work of preaching, teaching, and healing.

ALL: Come, Jesus, and be our guest to share with us your blessing, and with this bread and fruit of the vine impart your grace to every waiting heart. Amen.

Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Breaking of Bread and Pouring of Wine

Sharing of the Elements (Special Music: Blaine Breeden- "Broken for Me" by Lunt)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

ALL: We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of Christ and have received all Christ's gifts. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and let us show forth your praise in our lives, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***Hymn:** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" - Red Hymnal #234

Elvey

***Benediction**

***Postlude-** "Lift Your Hearts in Praise"

Broughton

**All who are able, please rise.*



Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns

May 19, 2024

Visitors...

Thank you for joining us today. We are happy to have you here. Please sign the guestbook located at the bell tower. Since you may be unfamiliar with us, below are some housekeeping items to help you find your way around:

- Restrooms are located in the overflow room, in the new section by the office, and down the stairs from the new section.
- Brown offering envelopes are located in the pew backs and also on the cart by the bulletins. The offering plate is located on the cart in the overflow room.

Condolences...

Our deepest Christian sympathies go out to Larry Spangler, and his sister, Kelli Spangler, for the death of their mother, Linda Spangler, who died early Tuesday morning. We pray God's grace and peace to all the family during the days and weeks ahead.

Welcome New Members...

Today we welcome new members, Kelli L. Spangler, and her daughter, Jami L. Tomlinson. They are joining our church through reaffirmation of faith. We are so glad they have chosen to join our church family.

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. (Romans 15:7)

Thank You for the Mother's Day Carnations...

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

Thank You...

Thank you to everyone who sponsored geraniums and enhanced our sanctuary for the observance of Pentecost Sunday and in celebration of welcoming new members to our church family! Please be sure to pick up your geraniums after the service unless you have made other arrangements prior to the service. The ones remaining will be planted in the church flower beds!

Special Offering TODAY...

The Strengthen the Church (STC) Offering reflects the shared commitment of people across the United Church of Christ to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ. Envelopes are on the cart in the overflow room.

Surprise Card Shower...

The family of Clair Kessler is having a surprise card shower celebrating his 80th birthday on Sunday June 16th. Mail cards to: Clair Kessler, 2204 Myers Road, Spring Grove, PA 17362. Please mail cards the week of June 10th! Thank you. Feel free to tell your friends and family.

Harvest of Hope Volunteers Needed ...

Our next day to volunteer for the Harvest of Hope Food Pantry Thursday, May 23rd, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. **Five (5) volunteers are still needed.**

Mission and Outreach Opportunities...

In order to gauge members' interest and availability for participating in one of the following Mission & Outreach opportunities this summer, please sign up on the paper on the table in the overflow room- Visiting the homebound, Preparing a meal for the homeless shelter, or Hosting Bingo at Sharon's Personal Care Home. Dates and activities will be determined at the end of May.

It's a Planting Party!

The planting of the geraniums will take place on Monday, May 20th at 8:30 A.M. If it's raining, we will plant on Tuesday at 8:30 A.M. Bring a small shovel, gloves, and knee pads if needed! Everyone is welcome! No experience needed! Many hands digging in the dirt will make this job easier! See you there! *Darlene*

Office Closed Memorial Day...

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day.

May Council Meeting Highlights...

- We have some candidates for the Sexton position that are in the interview process.
- Our Annual Church Picnic will take place following the VBS culmination event on June 23rd. Be on the lookout for signup sheets soon.
- The Council approved the purchase of two wireless handheld mics.
- The Treasurer's monthly report will be posted on the bulletin board in the overflow room.

- We are still waiting on CRDC to see how their new payment plan evolves.

Thank you to our helpers this week:

Next week's helpers are:

<i>Acolyte</i>	Will Bakner	Sierra Godfrey
<i>Children's Message</i>	Melisa Altland	Blaine Breeden
<i>Lay Liturgist</i>	Jean Weidler	Don Carl
<i>Greeters</i>	Joy & Larry Spangler	Jean Gross & Michele Hamme
<i>Money Counters</i>	Elvin Myers, Don Carl, & Tammy Wetzel	Lisa Crisamore, Carol Brown & Pat McKowen
<i>Sound & Streaming</i>	Ryan McKowen & Don Carl	Blaine Breeden & Steve Miner

Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...

Thursday, May 23 rd	4:00 PM	Harvest of Hope Volunteer Hours
Sunday, May 26 th	8:30 AM	Outdoor Worship Services Begin
	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service in the Sanctuary
Monday, May 27 th	All Day	Office Closed for Memorial Day
Thursday, June 6 th -	All Day	Minister of Music Vacation
Wednesday, June 12 th		
Monday, June 17 th -	5:30 PM	Vacation Bible School Dinner
Friday, June 23 rd		
Monday, June 17 th -	6:00 PM-	Vacation Bible School
Friday, June 21 st	8:15 PM	
Sunday, June 23 rd	10:30 AM	Vacation Bible School Culminating Event- Only one service (No early service.)

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	Tue/Wed	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Mon/Tue	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
	Wed	1:00 - 3:00 PM

Upcoming Birthdays (*Designates Over 80)

May 19	Linda Pentz	May 20	Ryan McKowen
May 20	Diane Kimball	May 24	*Maybelle Altland

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

Attendance	59- 55 Sanctuary/ 4 YouTube
Current Offering	\$1,187.00
Initial Offering	12.00
Pentecost Geraniums	58.00
Total	\$1,257.00





















Pentecost Geranium





























Dedications

In Honor of:

-  In honor of Linda Pentz on the occasion of her birthday
-  In honor of Anna Glatfelter and in memory of George Glatfelter, presented by Joe, Lisa, & Joe Crisamore
-  In honor of our grandchildren, Carson, Kylie, & Raylinn, presented by Karla & Bill Waltersdorff
-  In honor of Delphine Waltersdorff, presented by Karla & Bill Waltersdorff
-  In honor of my grandson, Sebastian Neiderer, presented by Jill Neiderer
-  In honor of my son, Sebastian, presented by Stephanie Neiderer
-  In honor of Anna Mae Forman, presented by Joan Messinger
-  In honor of Christine Jones, presented by Joan Messinger
-  In honor of all our talented musicians, presented by Nancy Cherry
-  In honor of my church family, presented by Nancy Cherry
-  In honor of Julie & Chris White, presented by Steve & Darlene Miner
-  In honor of Helen Carl, presented by her family
-  In honor of Pastor Cathy, presented by the congregation
-  In honor of Nancy Cherry, presented by the choirs
-  In honor of Lois Nelson, presented by Cole & Ryan McKowen
-  In honor of Cynthia Elicker for her generosity, presented by Jenell McKowen
-  In honor of Royce Messersmith, for his gardening expertise, presented by Jenell McKowen
-  In honor of my children & their families, presented by Lois Nelson

In Memory of:

-  In memory of my granddaughter, Kate Warner, presented by Pat Warner
-  In memory of my husband, Ed Warner, presented by Pat Warner
-  In memory of Bill & Fayne Crist, presented by Joe, Lisa, & Joe Crisamore
-  In memory of Norman Waltersdorff, presented by Karla & Bill Waltersdorff
-  In memory of Elaine & Norman Zartman, presented by Karla & Bill Waltersdorff
-  In memory of our parents, Gerald & Betty Thomas, presented by Mike & Connie Neiderer
-  In memory of our son, Zachary Neiderer, presented by Mike & Connie Neiderer
-  In memory of my loving husband, Kim DeGroft, presented by Chris DeGroft
-  In memory of my parents, Gerald & Betty Thomas, presented by Chris DeGroft
-  In memory of my nephew, Zachary Neiderer, presented by Chris DeGroft
-  In memory of Constance Elicker, presented by Cynthia & Donald Elicker
-  In memory of Clairbel Miner, presented by Cynthia & Donald Elicker
-  In memory of Blanche Bowman, presented by Cynthia & Donald Elicker
-  In memory of my parents, Bill & Jean Trout, presented by Jill Neiderer
-  In memory of Dennis Kramer, presented by his grandchildren, TJ, Grace, William, Kira, & Lily
-  In memory of Brenda Kessler, presented by Jeff & Kathy Flickinger
-  In memory of my husband, presented by JoAnn Kirkwood

-  In memory of our son, Douglas Messinger, presented by Jim & Joan Messinger
-  In memory of all the Saints who have gone before us, presented by Nancy Cherry
-  In memory of our parents, presented by Steve & Darlene Miner
-  In memory of Helen Carl, presented by Don & Wendy Carl
-  In memory of Larry Sullivan, presented by Don & Wendy Carl
-  The vinca planted with the geraniums (the white flowers) is in memory of Philip & Mabel Baer and Elmer & Hattie Myers, presented by Elvin Myers & Diane Patterson
-  In memory of Lee & Bob McKowen and Don Nelson, presented by Cole & Ryan McKowen
-  In memory of my husband, Don Nelson, and his parents, presented by Lois Nelson
-  In memory of my parents, grandparents, sister, and brother, presented by Lois Nelson