

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC
www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 23, 2026
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Blaine Breeden

Ring of the Bell

Prelude: "What a Friend"

Labenske

Call to Worship

L: In this act of worship, we lay down our fears:

P: We refuse our oppressors; we deny the forces of death.

L: In this act of worship, we know God's protection;

P: We receive Divine power; we are embraced by the Giver of life.

ALL: Let us worship God with joy.

*Hymn: "The Solid Rock" – Red Hymnal #404

Bradbury

Prayer of Confession:

L: When we yearn to be like Jesus, we are too often like Peter. But like him, we can confess Jesus Christ as our Lord, speaking of our need for His saving presence in our lives.

ALL: We look for you in all the wrong places, God of the lost, and wonder why we cannot find you. We wander the corridors of power, while you are on the sidewalks, beside the homeless. We sit at the head tables of the world, while you are handing out soup to the hungry. We applaud those who win the race while you are cheering on those in last place. In forgiving us, God of new life, you would transform our cold hearts into those melted in service to others. In granting us mercy, you challenge us to think of all those we have ignored. In giving us grace, you enable us to proclaim Jesus Christ, Lord and Savior, as the hope, the joy, and the peace the world seeks.

Assurance of Pardon:

L: It is more than just how we think. In mercy and grace, our hearts, our lives, our spirits are transfigured and made new — Christ's gift. Thanks be to God.

Scripture: Exodus 1:8-2:10

Jean Weidler

Message: God Saves

Rev. Susan Emmons

Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be" – Red Hymnal #379

Malon

Affirmation of Faith: Affirmation of Faith (Praise Booklet, p. 4)

Announcements, Joys, and Prayer Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Praise Booklet, p. 4)

***Closing Hymn:** "Living for Jesus" – Red Hymnal #372

Lowden

***Benediction**

***Postlude:** "Great is the Lord"

Moore

**Members should rise if able.*



Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns
August 23, 2026

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, here 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 plates are located on the cart, and at the belltower and middle entrances.

Mission Committee Meeting- TODAY...

The Mission Committee will meet TODAY, Sunday, August 23rd, immediately after our Worship service in the fellowship hall. All are welcome. Please bring ideas and hold our meeting in prayer, that we hear God's call of service and care to others in our community and world.

Jefferson Homemakers Meeting...

The Jefferson Homemakers will meet on **Wednesday, September 16th at 10 AM** for a planning meeting. Please bring your ideas and suggestions for upcoming activities and events. **Lunch will be provided. All are welcome!**

Looking for a Healthy Start This Fall?

Are you thinking about beginning the fall season with a new and rewarding activity? Consider joining one of our music ministries! Whether you enjoy singing or playing chimes, participating in a choir offers benefits that go far beyond making music. Singing and playing together can improve your musical skills, boost your mood by releasing endorphins that help reduce stress and depression, and provide a strong sense of belonging and purpose. It also encourages deep breathing, promotes good posture, and offers gentle physical activity. Why not give it a try? We'd love to welcome new members of all experience levels. The fun begins on **Thursday, September 3rd**!

Yarn Available...

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting items for the Sock and Mitten Tree or other projects, donated yarn is available. If you are interested, please see Nancy Cherry.

August Council Meeting Highlights...

- **Church Picnic:** The church picnic will be held after worship on Sunday, September 20th. The church will provide the meat, drinks, and paper products. A sign-up sheet is available in the overflow room.
- **Ladies of Lischey's Donation:** The Ladies of Lischey's have donated the remaining balance of their Cornerstone Fund to the church to support our youth. The funds will be placed in a restricted youth account, with requests for their use submitted to the Council for approval.

Thank you to our helpers this week:

<i>Gathering Music</i>	Blaine Breeden
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Jean Weidler
<i>Greeters</i>	Debra Brooks & Diane Breeden
<i>Money Counters</i>	Joanne Hoffman, Jean Weidler, & Pat McKowen
<i>Sound & Streaming</i>	Don Carl & Cole McKowen

Next week's helpers are:

Blaine Breeden
Nancy King
Lois Nelson & Joan Messinger
Lisa Crisamore, Tammy Wetzell, & Pat McKowen
Amanda Godfrey & Pat McKowen

Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...

Sunday, August 30 th	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Thursday, September 3 rd	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, September 13 th	9:30 AM	SPLATT & Children's Sunday School
Monday, September 14 th	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 15 th	3:45 PM	Harvest of Hope Volunteer Hours

The office will be open during the hours listed below. 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:

Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Tue-Thur	8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Upcoming Birthdays (*Designates Over 80)

August 23	Michele Hamme	August 27	Jude Tomlinson
August 24	David Winter	August 28	Ava Crisamore
August 25	Linda Sanders	August 29	Colton Spangler
August 26	*Richard Myers	August 30	Elliott Kauffman
August 26	Robert Wetzel		

Our Response to God's Love last week was...

Attendance	55: 50 Sanctuary/ 5 YouTube
Current Offering	\$2,515.45
OCWM	50.00
Total	\$2,565.45