

“All gifts come from the same Spirit of God, serve different purposes in the Christian community, and yet contribute to the common good.”

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

1ST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Rev. John Lutz, Senior Pastor

Lyn Wallace, (8:00) and Ron Cookson (9:30), Worship Assistants

January 6, 2013

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting One Another

(Please sign the attendance pad and pass it down the aisle. Stand and greet the people around you and welcome them into our circle of faith today.)

*Opening Hymn “O Jesus, I Have Promised” 396

*Opening Act of Worship

Leader: Christ did not come into the world to be served, but to serve.

People: He is in our midst this morning as one who serves.

Leader: We celebrate our Servant Lord by worshiping God.

People: Let us sing and pray until we too have become servants.

*Gloria Patri “Glory Be To the Father” 70

Special Music (9:30) The Crusader Choir

Life of the Church

Installation of LUMC & UMW 2013 Officers

*Hymn “A Charge to Keep I Have” 413

✠ Prayers of the People ✠ The Lord’s Prayer

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem (9:30) The Wesleyan Choir

*Offertory Response “Doxology” 95

*Offertory Prayer [unison]

Loving God who loves and accepts us, yet longs for us to be our best; You see the potential in us that we often miss. We hear with joy in the Scriptures how Your voice from heaven proclaimed Your pleasure with Jesus as he rose from the baptismal waters. Rarely have we expected such an affirmation in our lives. Remind us again that You find that great joy when we act in selflessness, when we give without expecting return, when we love unreservedly those who live without love. Remind us of Your joy when we offer not just our gifts, but also our whole selves to do the work that builds Your heavenly kingdom here on earth. We pray this in the holy name of Jesus, our teacher and our Savior. Amen.

The Scripture Lesson Isaiah 43: 1-7 (p. 725 in the pew Bible)

The Message **“Facing the Challenges”** Pastor Lutz

The Sacrament of Holy Communion*

(The congregation will proceed to the altar by the center aisle at the ushers’ direction. Partaking of the communion elements will be by intinction—the breaking off and then dipping of the bread into the cup. Return down the center aisle to your seat.)

*Closing Hymn “How Firm a Foundation” 529

*Affirmation of Faith “The Apostles’ Creed” 881

*Benediction

Postlude

**If able, please stand to worship God*

We welcome YOU to our worship service this morning. *If you are visiting our church for the first time, we extend you a special greeting. (Please inform us of your complete name and address on the Fellowship Pad or in the Guest Book.) We invite you to enter into our worship wholeheartedly. Sing out! Listen intently to God’s Word! Be open to promptings of the Holy Spirit! And after the service, give us a chance to talk with you and invite you back! We look forward to your worshipping with us again.*

ABOUT THIS WORSHIP SERVICE ...

Altar Flowers today are Dedicated to the Glory of God In Loving Memory of Joyce Hesser and Joy Smart, by A Friend.

Sanctuary Flowers are Dedicated to the Glory of God In Loving Memory of Mom, Margaret (Peg) Clark, by Her Son, Ray Clark and Family

Morning Greeters today are, at the 8:00 service, Dolores Chemey; and at the 9:30 service, Marlene & Marty Kalbach.

Ushers today at the 8:00 service are Joe McDonald, Tim Eick & Tom Romsper; and at the 9:30 service, Sam & Joan Phillips.

Prayer Chain No. 2 is in effect this week. Please call Madge Laughlin, 215-357-6573, for prayer requests and praise for answered prayers.

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Worship Services

Traditional

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

Contemporary

11:00 a.m.

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