

“Worship at its best is a journey to an encounter with God.”

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LABOR DAY SUNDAY

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Rev. John Lutz, Senior Pastor

Jerry Hill, Worship Assistant

September 2, 2012

9:30 a.m.

Summer Hymn Sing (9:15)

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 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” 140

*Opening Act of Worship

Leader: God’s Word of Truth re-births us as God’s children, the crown of creation.

People: *We must be quick to listen; slow to speak; and slower still to get angry. Indeed, let us clean out our evil intentions. Then we can hear the Word God plants in our hearts which can save our souls.*

Leader: But we can’t stop there! We must not only hear the Word, we must act on it.

People: *Those who are hearers, but not doers, fool themselves.*

Leader: They glance in a mirror, walk quickly away, and forget what they look like!

People: *So look into the mirror of God’s law and see your own true self.*

Leader: Then don’t forget what you saw, but act on it.

People: *Pretending to be religious by talking about it is just so much hot air.*

All: *Thanks be to God for all God gives to us. Let us worship God!*

*Gloria Patri “Glory Be To the Father” 70

Life of the Church

✠Prayers of the People

✠The Lord’s Prayer

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Offertory Response “Doxology” 95

*Offertory Prayer [unison]

Loving God, as we offer these gifts to You this morning, we pray that not only these tokens but our lives in their totality might be seen as generous acts of giving – reflecting You as the source of all good things. May we be doers of Your word and not just hearers, and may the lives we live as we leave this place this morning be a testimony and sermon about Your love, grace, and compassion for all Your children. We pray this in the name of Your Son who lived among us as Your gift of love; in Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn “Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated” 399

The Scripture Lesson James 1:17-27 (p. 854 in the pew Bible)

The Message “**Mirror, Mirror**” 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 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” 557

*Affirmation of Faith “The Apostles’ Creed” 881

*Benediction

Postlude

**If able, please stand to worship God*

**The Communion Offering for this month will be dedicated to The Pastor’s Discretionary Fund.*

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 Memory of Winifred Hewitt MacKay.

Morning Greeters today are Stan & Connie Dettman.

Ushers today are The Women's Retreat Committee.

Acolyte today is Isabelle Letham.

Prayer Chain No. 1 is in effect this week. Please call Cynthia Schick, 215-968-2072, for prayer requests and praise for answered prayers.

REMEMBER! REGULAR WORSHIP HOURS

BEGIN NEXT SUNDAY.

Traditional worship at 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

Contemporary worship at 11:00 a.m.

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Summer Worship Services

Contemporary

8:00 a.m.

Traditional

9:30 a.m.

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