

*“Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others.” – Saint Augustine*

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

*25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST*

*Thanksgiving Sunday/Harvest Home*

### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Rev. John Lutz, Senior Pastor

Erika Paton (8:00) and Holly Rogerson (9:30), Worship Assistants

November 18, 2012

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 “Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated” 399

\*Opening Act of Worship

Leader: As we come to worship, let us leave at the door our self-centered thoughts;

**People:** *And open our eyes to see our neighbor in worship.*

Leader: As we come to worship, let us leave at the door, our feelings of exclusiveness;

**People:** *And open our minds to the possibilities of inclusion.*

Leader: As we come to worship, let us leave outside, our notion of generosity;

**People:** *And open our hearts to the possibility of giving beyond our typical gift.*

**All:** *As we come to worship, let us open our eyes, our minds and our hearts to what can be, instead of what is. For all of our gifts, and for all possibilities, let us lift our voices in praise!*

\*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 Anthem (9:30)

The Wesleyan Choir

\*Offertory Response “Doxology” 95

\*Offertory Prayer [unison]

*Every week we give of our gifts and say a prayer over our offerings. Let this not be a duty, O God. Let us not do this by rote. Turn us around that we might give more than we feel we are able, and without counting the cost. Turn us around that we might give out of gratitude for all that we have been given, rather than because we feel we need to put something in the offertory plate as it goes by. Melt our resistance and help us to give as the widow gave her mite, that we might know the joy of stepping out in faith and moving beyond our comfort zone, that others might be comforted. With grateful hearts and with joy we give, because we are more than able, through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

\*Hymn “What Gift Can We Bring” 87

The Scripture Lesson Mark 12: 38-44 (p. 718 in the pew Bible)

The Message “**A Stewardship Message**” Pastor Lutz

\*Closing Hymn “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” 430

Special Music (9:30) The Genesis Choir

\*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 Husband, Father and Grandfather, Roger Paton, by Erika, Peter, Jeremiah, Stephanie & Danny Paton; and also In Memory of Winifred Hewitt MacKay.

**Morning Greeters** today are, at the 8:00 service, Erika Paton; and at the 9:30 service, Bettie Foster & Betty Bunting.

**Ushers** today at the 8:00 service are Joe McDonald, Tim Eick & Tom Romspert; and at the 9:30 service, The Rowlands and Stockburger Families.

**Acolyte** today is Austin Cookson.

**Prayer Chain No. 3 is in effect this week.** Please call Tim Eick, 215-945-8789, 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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