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# First Presbyterian Church

Clarksburg, West Virginia

Rev. John F. Koerner

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August 5, 2018

Ten Forty-Five



JESUS CASTS OUT  
AN UNCLEAN SPIRIT

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

LARGE-PRINT BIBLES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PEWS

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS AND HEARING-ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FROM USHERS

\* INDICATES TO STAND IF ABLE

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Organ Prelude      “My Jesus, I Love Thee”      Arr by Husted      Kay Devono

Welcome

The Peace of Christ

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

As a forgiven and reconciled people, let us share the peace of Christ.

Announcements and Friendship Register

Please sign the friendship register found in your pew

## \*Call to Worship

Psalm 51:15-17

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

**For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.**

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;

**A broken, and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

\*Hymn #476      “O Worship the King, All Glorious Above” (vs. 1-40)      Lyons

## \*Call to Confession

If say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we are faithful to confess our sin, God will forgive us and cleanse us of all unrighteousness. another.

## \*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Psalm 51:1-10 adapted

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit. Amen.**

## \*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news!

If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him.

So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin

and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Friends, believe the good news.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*Congregational Response -      “Gloria Patri” #569 in Hymnbook

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Hymn #304

“Jesus Loves Me” (verse 1)

*Jesus Loves Me*

Children of the Church

Dick Ogden

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Let us pray together.

**Claim our wandering minds, O Lord,  
for we are anxious about many things.  
Reshape our hearts so that we may focus  
on the one thing necessary  
and follow you all the days of our lives.  
In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Second Scripture Lesson

Mark 1:21-28

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Jesus Drives Out an Evil Spirit”

Rev. John F. Koerner

*I am a child of God. I believe in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.  
I believe he has the power to change my life and your life.*

Piano Interlude - *Silent prayer and reflection*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

Hymnal, p.14

\*Hymn #361

“How Firm a Foundation” (vs 1-4)

*Foundation*

Prayers of the People

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

Gathering

Offertory Anthem

\*The Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Jeff Mitchell

## SEALING THE WORD: THE HOLY MEAL

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right to give you thanks and praise not just in good times, . . .

. . . Therefore, we praise you, even here, even now, joining the chorus of praise that shapes creation, singing,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord! God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna in the highest!**

Into dark days of terror you blaze forth in Jesus the Christ . . .  
. . . Therefore, we sing out the faith as we follow Him along the Way:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

**Come see what God’s going to do next.**

We praise you, our Advocate and Guide, . . .

. . . We pray now as Jesus taught us to pray.

**Our Father who art in heaven**

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

The small glass dishes in the bread trays contain gluten free bread.

Following the bread, both wine (dark red) and grape juice (white) are served.

We will partake of communion together at the invitation of the pastor.

Prayer after Communion

**You have spared nothing, Holy God, going with us into the depths of human experience to raise us up into your hope for the healing of the world. Thank you that you count us worthy to share in the suffering of Christ for the redemption of all. Now may we rise in Him to feed the hungry, bind up the brokenhearted, comfort and care for all in need to the glory of your holy name we pray. Amen.**

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*Hymn #343

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

*Beecher*

\*Charge and Benediction

L. R. Knost

Do not be dismayed by the brokenness of the world.

All things can be mended. Not with time, as they say,  
But with intention.

So go. Love intentionally, extravagantly, unconditionally.  
The broken world waits in darkness for the light that is in you.

\*Organ Postlude

“Chorale” by Ridout

Kay Devono

*Please join us for Fellowship and Refreshments in Westminster Hall.*

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**Liturgists.....The Congregation of First Presbyterian Church**  
**Preacher.....Rev. John F. Koerner**  
**Worship Leader..... Charla Koerner**  
**Organist.....Dr. Mary Kay Devono**  
**Acolytes.....Bradley Burnett and Anderson Mitchell**

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# CHURCH NEWS *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## SERVING YOU THIS MORNING

USHERS: Denver Atkinson, Lance Kuhens, Carole Wilburn

GREETER:



“I have seen what they do, but I will heal them anyway! I will lead them. I will comfort those who mourn, bringing words of praise to their lips. May they have abundant peace, both near and far,” says the Lord, who heals them.

Isaiah 57: 18-19

**PLEASE SIGN** – the red attendance register in “your pew,” and pass it along to your neighbor.

**NURTURING FAITH** – In Ephesians 4:1-16, we are reminded that we are called to unity in the one body of Christ. Unity, however, doesn’t mean that we are all alike, for we have different gifts to share with others in the body so that we can all grow in faith and discipleship together. What gifts do you have to share with the church, the body of Christ, where you worship? Share with someone else.

**Choir will be starting back up** in September. Watch for more information in the August Newsletter and in future bulletins for details about meeting Jeanne Harris and having a “Choir” get together.

**FLOWERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE REREDOS!** Upcoming dates available are August 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, and September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>. Call the church office to reserve a date.



# In Our Prayers

## FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY

Tygarts Valley Presbyterian Church, Huttonsville  
First United Presbyterian Church, Ravenswood

### SPECIAL CARE FACILITIES:

Roberta Davis; Marj Faris; Amy Garrett; Sara Graham;  
Joyce King; Carrie Waters

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN FAMILIES:

Bartlett, Troy and Anne; Craig, Jean; Hardman, Robert and Janice; Kaull, Jack and Missie; Paletta, Anthony and Mary Beth; Sabo, James and Kim; Wilburn, Carole; Forsythe,Rita; Paletta, AJ; Paletta, Mary Virginia; Burnett, Jason and Terra; Kuhens, Eric; Kuhens, Lance; Mitchelle, Jeff and Pam; Morrison, Micah and Maria; Montgomery, Chad and Ashley; Rinehart, Dottie; Faris,Marj; Vessel, Wayne and Christy (N)

### FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL CONCERNS:

ADKINS, Charles

HOLT, Jack

KUHENS, Eric

MORGAN, Misty

PACK, Amy

STROMBERG, Rosemary

FOWLER, Angie

KESLING, Lee

LINTON, Doug

OLDAKER, Kenneth

SHIFFRA, Everett

WETZEL, Jennifer

HEGER, Suzi

KING, Buddy& Joyce

LYNCH, Jeanne

OLDAKER, Wilma

SMITH, Donna

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup>

Prayer Group 10:00 a.m.

### Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>

Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

### Friday, August 10<sup>th</sup>

AA Meeting 12:00

### Sunday, August 12<sup>th</sup>

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE ON July 29<sup>th</sup> ~ ~**