

First Presbyterian Church

Clarksburg, West Virginia

Rev. John F. Koerner

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Ten Forty-Five



Jesus Removes Demons

15th 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 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" "EIN FESTE BURG" Kay Devono

Arr by Hobby

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 45:4, 6-8 adapted

You are my King and my God, you command victories for me.

For not in my bow do I trust, nor can my sword save me.

But you have saved us from our foes, and have put to confusion those who hate us.

In God we have boasted continually,

And we will give thanks to your name forever.

*Hymn #281

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

CWM Rhondda

*Call to Confession

If we 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.

*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)

Psalm 51:1-10 adapted

You have commanded us, O God, to love you with all of our hearts, minds, and souls. You have also commanded us to love our neighbor as ourselves. Sometimes we have been successful, yet many times we have failed. So we come humbly seeking your forgiveness and your help. For without your help, we cannot possibly please you.

With the Psalmist of old we pray, "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" #579 in Hymnbook

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Hymn #304

“Jesus Loves Me” (verse 1)

Jesus Loves Me

Children of the Church

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

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Scripture Lesson

Mark 5:1-20

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“My Name Is Legion”

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 #359

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

More Love to Thee

Prayers of the People

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

Gathering

Offertory Anthem “America the Beautiful” "MATERNA"

Kay Devono

Arr. by Hayes

*The Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

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.

Almighty God, creator and sustainer of life, . . .

. . . martyrs, and saints of every time and place, we join in giving you praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy. Lord, God of Power and Might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

God of glory, in thanks we remember how Jesus broke bread . . .
. . .Believing Christ's promise of eternal life, we live in him and declare:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Loving Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, . . .
. . .And now as our Savior Jesus Christ taught us, we are bold to pray. . .

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

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

**God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this
food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other.
We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.**

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn #372 "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" *I Want to Be a Christian*

*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

"Festival Fanfare" by Rawsthorne

Kay Devono

Please join us for Fellowship and Refreshments in Westminster Hall.

Liturgists.....The Congregation of First Presbyterian Church
Preacher.....Rev. John F. Koerner
Worship Leader.....Harriett Northey
Choir Director.....Jeanne Harris
Organist.....Dr. Mary Kay Devono
A c o l y t e s

CHURCH NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 2nd, 2018

SERVING YOU THIS MORNING

USHERS: Denver Atkinson, Lance Kuhens, Carole Wilburn

GREETER:



The flowers on the reredos are to the Glory of God and in celebration of Parker's wedding to Sofie Brooks on July 14, from Kathy and Hank Lawrence.

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

NURTURING FAITH – James 1:17-27 says we should be doers of the word and not just hearers. If we act, then we will be blessed. What are some ways you can be a doer this week? What are some ways you can live out your life as a Christian?

Choir will be starting back up in September. The first practice will be on **Thursday, September 6th** at 6:00 p.m. in the choir room. Any questions or concerns call Jeanne Harris at 304-669-9191, or 304-969-9223.

Choir Meeting after church September 9th. It will be brief.

Sunday school Rally day will be September 9th.
There will be breakfast held before Sunday school.





FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY

Spring Creek Presbyterian Church, Renick
Union Presbyterian Church
Comfort Presbyterian Church

SPECIAL CARE FACILITIES:

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN FAMILIES: DEVONO, Gabe ; EMERSON, Joseph;
ENEIX, Carolyn; FORD, Tom & Terri; FORINASH, Jody & Jerry; GALAN, Joe & Mary;
GALPIN, Dave; GARRETT, Amy; GARRETT, Mark; GEORGE, Stephen and Rebecca;
GLASS, Richard; GORDON, Bob & Cindy; GORRELL, Thomas H; GRAVES, Ralph &
Marcia; HARPER, Scott; HARPOLD, John

FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL CONCERNS:

ADKINS, Charles
FOWLER, Angie
HOOD, Robbie
KUHENS, Eric
MORGAN, Misty
PACK, Amy
SMITH, Bonnie
WETZEL, Jennifer

COX, Jeremy
HEGER, Suzi
KESLING, Lee
LINTON, Doug
OLDAKER, Kenneth
ROGERS, Joey
SMITH, Donna

CUMMINGS, JAY
HOLT, Jack
KING, Buddy
LYNCH, Jeanne
OLDAKER, Wilma
SHIFFRA, Everett
STROMBERG, Rosemary

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday, September 3rd

Office Closed for Holiday
No Prayer Group

Wednesday, September 5th

Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 6th

Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 7th

AA Meeting 12:00

Sunday, September 9th

16th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday school Rally Day
Breakfast served before Sunday school

CHURCH ATTENDANCE ON August 26th ~ 58 ~