

sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE

"Hear Our Prayer"

Hear our prayer, O Lord. hear our prayer, O Lord.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us thy peace.

SERMON

Rev. David A. Jones

OUR OFFERING AND OFFERTORY "Blessed Jesus at Thy Word" J.S. Bach

* THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (using debts and debtors)

* BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

* HYMN #401 (Green Hymnal) "The Church's One Foundation"

* SILENT MEDITATION

POSTLUDE "He Who Will Suffer God to Guide Him" J.S. Bach

*Please stand as you are able

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October 27, 2024

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Reader: Ken Shultz

God is Still Speaking ...

"Pray, and let God worry."

Martin Luther

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"

Alice Jordan

* SOLEMN DECLARATION AND SUNG AMEN

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Today is Reformation Sunday, a day when we remember the sacrifices made by the reformers from 500 years ago.

People: We celebrate the Church that was, the Church that is and the Church that will be.

Pastor: We give thanks for living in a time and place where we experience the freedom of religious belief, gathering and expression.

People: Help us, O God, to strengthen our own faith, and to strengthen our acceptance of those who think differently than we do.

Pastor: History has proven that we may never be able to predict where our journey through life may take us, but that our journey will always be filled with God's grace.

People: Let us journey together to worship our loving God!

*HYMN #151 (Green Hymnal) "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Alert us, Eternal God, to your presence among us in the place. We confess that we have been busy with so many things that we have often forgotten you. We have made little gods out of buildings, furnishings, and programs. Sometimes our pet beliefs have been all-consuming as we do battle to correct others and presume to defend you. We have forgotten that your love is stronger than any

force on earth. Forgive our mistrust of its power and draw us back into the company of disciples who are learning and growing in love.

Silent confession...

* KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

* WORDS OF GRACE AND MERCY

Happy are those who daily find their strength in the living God, seeking to walk uprightly. Happy are those who trust in God, who sincerely and truthfully seek to serve where God needs them most. God redeems us, whatever our circumstances, lifting our spirits, even when our bodies are in chains. **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Just Two Words"
Choir

Robert Lau

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE SCRIPTURES (insert)

Old Testament Psalm 34: 1 - 8

*Gospel Mark 10: 46 - 52

* THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

* PROCLAIMING OUR FAITH – THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hades; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and

Psalm 34: 1 – 8

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them. O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

Mark 10: 46 – 52

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

ST. MARK'S PRAYER LIST

Andy Shearer

Deb Weise

Lynn Balmer

David Ansalvish (Cindy Johnson's Brother)

Rod Nissley (Deb Ellis' son)

Stephanie Wagner (Faye Fox's niece)

Jeffrey Clouser & Brent Weaver

Trudy Berkheimer

John Blanda (Lynn Balmer's brother-in-law)

Gayle & Ed Olden

Cindy Johnson

Eva Miller

Regine Halsall (Friend of Deb Ellis)

Megan, Jaxon and Ava Tilley

Tony Furman

Larry Houser

Michael Worhach (Russ Scholl's son-in-law)

John Schieber

Ed Bennett (Kelly Bell's step-father)

Ken and Charlotte Wengert

Nancy Kunkle

Meg Nagel

Jeff Aurentz

Andrew Scholl

Members from our church family who are shut-in or
home bound

The People of Ukraine

The Civilian Victims of the fighting in the Middle East

The People affected by Hurricanes

Helene and Milton

ST. MARK'S CALENDAR

For the Week of October 27, 2024

- Sunday Choir Practice – 8:30 AM
Koffee Klatsch – 9:30-10 AM and 11-11:15 AM
Worship Service – 10 AM
Adult Sunday School – 11:15 AM
- Wednesday Bible Study – 10 AM
- Thursday Trick or Treat Night – 6 to 8 PM
- Saturday Community Meal – 4:45 to 6 PM



ST. MARK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the Communion table are presented by Becky Colban in memory of her parents' anniversary.

The bulletins are presented to the Glory of God by Lillian Schieber in honor of her birthday.

Flowers and Bulletins – Dates available for bulletins are: December 8 and 29. Please contact the office if interested in sponsoring any flowers or bulletins.

Roof Repairs – There are envelopes in the narthex labeled "Roof Repairs." We would appreciate your help with this project. As of October 20th, we have collected \$13,209.86 towards the roof repairs.

Candy Orders – we will start taking orders today, October 27th to November 10th. Peanut butter balls @ \$10.00 per pound and Caramels @ \$12.00 per pound. We need volunteers to make candy on November 18, 19 and 20th, 6 to 9 PM.

Texas Roadhouse Gift Cards – will be sold starting today, October 27th to November 10th. Great Christmas Gifts. Please see Dawn Shultz.

Operation Helene – To support our brothers and sisters impacted by Hurricane/Tropical Storm Helene, we are collecting monies through November 10th. Our goal is to purchase items in bulk after the 10th to head to North Carolina to deliver the items. Any amount is appreciated.. Please put in the memo line – "Operation Helene" for it to be included.

Birthday Card Shower – Heather Whorley will celebrate a birthday on November 1st. Let's brighten up Heather's day with birthday cards and show Heather we have not forgotten about her.
Her address is: 8231 Elizabethtown Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022

Save the Dates:

November 8 – 10 Youth/Young Adult Retreat
November 18, 19, 20 Candy Making – 6 to 9 PM
November 28 Pastor Dave's Thanksgiving Dinner – 4 PM
December 15 Family Day

Conference Call information:

Dial (215) 383-1625 Enter conference code: 569284
Press* when asked for your attendee pin