



The Presbyterian Church of Llanerch

Celebrating The 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 5, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Questions for reflection, before, during, and after this morning's service:

Psalm 146 describes God's care for widows and orphans, an important biblical theme. First Kings 17:17-24 and Luke 7:11-17 tell how the son of a widow is restored to life by the power of God. How does the church show God's favor to those who are most vulnerable? How do we proclaim the hope of the resurrection to those who have been touched by death?

Gathering

As you come to worship, take a few moments to bring yourself before God—your present state of mind and preoccupations, as well as your desire to meet God during this time.

[Our service begins when the voluntary begins, and we turn our attention toward God, in worship.]

The * indicates where the congregation stands; **bolded responses** indicate congregational responses.

VOLUNTARY "Healer of Our Every Ill" --Jeffrey Honoré
GREETING AND WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP --

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Happy are those whose help is in the God of Jacob.

The Lord sets prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind.

God lifts those who are bowed down, and loves the righteous.

God watches over strangers and upholds widows and orphans.

Praise the Lord, God of all generations. Let us worship God.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

* OPENING HYMN

805
"Come Sing to God"

Ellacombe

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

[Our Prayers will begin with a time for silent confession; then the Minister will conclude the prayers of forgiveness.]

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

This is the gospel, the good news we have received: that our Lord Jesus Christ loves us and gave his life to set us free from our sins.

Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

* SUNG RESPONSE # 1 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!" Verse 4 --Nicaea

♪ **"Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!"** ♪

* A SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

...Knowing this, may the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us that we may seek God's love and joy among all the peoples of the world!

And also with you!

Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES 1 Kings 17: 8-24 [Page 324]

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS Luke 7: 11-17 [Page 65]

The wisdom of God for all people; the call of God for all who live.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON --Rev. David Stipp-Bethune

"Empathy, Not Sympathy, Leads to Jesus"

Response

* AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH --The Confession of Belhar, adapted

We believe that God is the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people. We believe that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor, and the wronged. AMEN.

* HYMN

537
"When at This Table"

Feastday

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO PRESENT GOD'S TITHES, OUR GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "For He Satisfieth the Longing Soul" --Darwin Wolford

THE STORY OF THE TABLE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

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.

[The Minister continues the prayer, and then invites the congregation to conclude the prayer by praying our Lord's Prayer together:]

And hear us as we pray in the name of the one who prays for us, using as our words the words he taught us to use when we pray, saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending

* HYMN

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"O for a World"

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* ANNOUNCEMENTS

* BLESSING & CHARGE

* VOLUNTARY "Our Hope and Strength Art Thou" --Eric Thiman

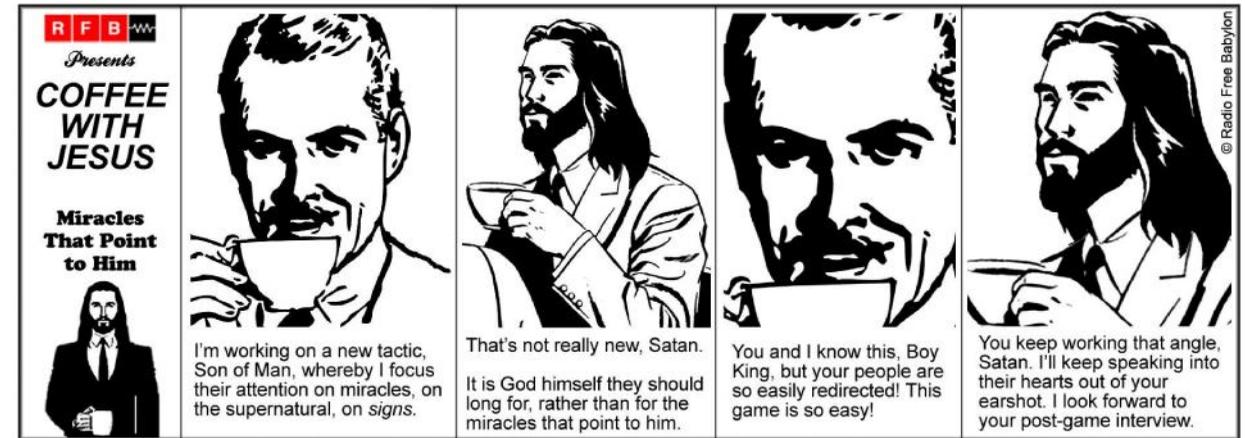
While our worship service ends, our Christian service is just beginning...

The flowers for This Morning's Worship Service were generously shared with us in loving memory of Nellie Smeal by her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren

Leading This Morning's Worship Service Are: Georgia Marshall Schrom, Minister of Music; Rev. David Stipp-Bethune, Pastor; Gabrielle Schrom, Worship Leader.

Service Notes for This Morning's Worship Service:

1. Our Call to Worship, Prayer of Dedication, and Prayers of the People were based on suggestions or adapted from the Feasting on the Word worship Companion: liturgies for Year C, edited by Kimberly Bracken Long.



WAYS YOU CAN HELP OUR MINISTRY... and take part in it:

PARTICIPATE IN WORSHIP WITH US:

10 a.m. on Sunday Mornings (DURING THE SUMMER)

PARTICIPATE IN HELPING OTHERS:

*We receive gifts for CHESTER EASTSIDE MINISTRIES food and outreach ministries on the third Sunday of each month. **Our next offering is Sunday, June 19th!** Please bring your gifts to worship on June 19th and include them*

in the special dedication during worship!

PARTICIPATE IN THE PRACTICE OF PRAYER:

Our congregation believes and attests to the power of prayer. We pray “together” in church and we pray “together” as individuals. Here are some of the things we are praying:

For Joanne Janos (who has been in the hospital and is recovering at home) | **For Jack Bellwoar** (who suffered a stroke and has other major health complications) and **for Gail** | **For Phoenix Hoyle, June Hoyle’s grandson** (June is our Preschool Director) | **For Cindy Guilfoil** (who is undergoing chemotherapy for cancer) | **For Kelly Diiorio’s Mother** (who is fighting lung cancer) | **For Matthew** | **For Ben** | **For Father John Denny** (fighting cancer) | **Thanksgiving and safe-keeping for first responders, good neighbors, helping people, and disaster planning** | **For our congregation in our New Beginnings discernment small group meetings** | **For our congregation, our elders and deacons, our pastor** | **Our Church Staff:** Kelly DiIorio, Georgia Schrom, David Pokorny, and Rev. David Stipp-Bethune | **Our Preschool staff, students, and families** | **For the Families, Friends, Communities, and our nation in the wake of the circumstances that led to the loss of life--that justice may roll down like waters.**

By adding these prayers to your personal prayers, we engage God together.

WE REALLY DO WANT TO HEAR YOUR FEEDBACK:

Our hope and prayer is that our worship services, programs, and ministry opportunities are both meaningful and helpful to you, and we’d appreciate knowing how well or how not-so-well that we’re doing. Comments, feedback, and helpful criticisms are welcome—please make notes or suggestions, and sign them. You can drop them off, mail them to the church office, or e-mail them to the church office or pastor. Please be aware we can only consider signed responses. Thank you for your help.

Next Sunday, June 12th

Llanerch is taking our Worship Service to Rosemont Presbyterian Village



The Presbyterian Church of Llanerch is providing the Sunday Worship Service for our friends at Rosemont.

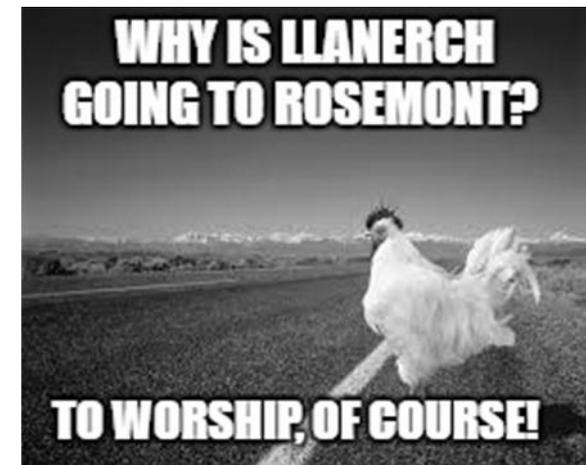
Their service begins at 10:30am.

Our service usually begins at 10.

Come to church, and plan to carpool to Rosemont for worship!

Driving instructions from the church will be available!

211 Lansdowne Road, Havertown, PA to Rosemont Presby's Inspired Life Drive 5.8 miles, 18 min



JOIN US FOR
Vacation Bible School 2016
“Surf Shack”
July 11th-15th!



-) For Children ages 3-12 years
-) Open to everyone—all are welcome!
-) Certified Staff and volunteers
-) VBS meets 9am – 12noon all five days with a snack included
-) Music, Science, Bible Story, Recreation, Crafts, and Fun
-) \$30 Registration/child INCLUDES free T-Shirt!

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Contact our Church Office at 610-789-1639 to receive a registration form in the mail or by e-mail.

You can also download the registration form from the VBS page on our website:
http://web.llanerchpres.org/?page_id=84



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OUR MISSION

The Presbyterian Church of Llanerch is an inclusive Christian community whose members have been: saved by God's grace, united by God in Jesus Christ, and given by God as a light to the nations. Our mission is patterned after the example of Jesus Christ, who came "not to be served but to serve." To that end, we seek to think with the mind of Christ, to love with the heart of Christ, and to act as the Lord requires, doing justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God.

WELCOME!

We are grateful that you are choosing to worship with us! Worship at "Llanerch" is our signature event each Sunday, and we hope and pray that you find today's service meaningful and that you experience authentic fellowship with our faith community. Child care for younger children is provided in our nursery (ask one of our ushers if you need directions) and a time of fellowship with coffee and treats follows our worship service. Information about our ministry and activities is included in our bulletin and in the brochure in your pew. You may also connect with us online at www.llanerchpres.org or find us on Facebook (The Presbyterian Church of Llanerch). Our pastor is Rev. David Stipp-Bethune and can be contacted through the church office, or the Pastor's Study at 610-789-1820, or via e-mail: revdrstipp@msn.com.

KNOW YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO JOIN US IN THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:

Today 06/05 We celebrate our the 3rd Sunday after Pentecost, including the celebration of the Lord's Supper in worship!

NEXT Sunday 06/12 We celebrate the 4th Sunday after Pentecost at ROSEMONT PRESBYTERIAN VILLAGE, honoring Judy Turnbull.



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