



# The Presbyterian Church of Llanerch at Rosemont

Celebrating The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 12, 2016

10:30 a.m.

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

In Luke 7:36-8:3 we hear of a sinful woman who shows great love to Jesus because her sins have been forgiven. Jesus tells a parable about a debtor who shows great love to the one who has canceled his great debt. We regularly pray, "forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors" or "forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us." How do you show your love to God for the grace you have received in Jesus Christ? How do you show Christ's great love to others?

**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 *Allegretto* from "Sonata No. 7" --W. A. Mozart

GREETING AND WELCOME

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

We come in faith to worship God.

**We live by our faith in God's Son.**

Jesus loves us and gave his life for us.

**Thanksgiving and praise be to God!**

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY

\* OPENING HYMN

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"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

*Lauda Anima*

CALL TO RECONCILIATION AND PRAYERS OF FORGIVENESS

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

\* SUNG RESPONSE #356 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Verse 1 --Nettleton

♪ **"Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!"** ♪

Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

A READING OF THE STORY OF FIRST KINGS 21..., from the Children of God Storybook Bible written by Archbishop Desmond Tutu

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Luke 7: 36 – 8: 3

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

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

--Rev. David Stipp-Bethune

**"What Is It Like Living In A World of Mercy?"**

Response

\* AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH

--The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.**

\* HYMN

see below *How Can I Keep From Singing*  
"A Prophet Woman Broke a Jar"

# 201 A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar

1 A proph-et-wom-an broke a jar, by Love's di-vine ap-  
 2 A faith-ful wom-an left a tomb, by Love's di-vine com-  
 3 Though wom-an-wis-dom, wom-an-truth, for cen-tu-ries were  
 4 The Spir-it knows; the Spir-it calls, by Love's di-vine or-

point-ing. With rare per-fume she filled the room, pre-  
 mis-sion. She saw; she heard; she preached the Word, a-  
 hid-den, un-sung, un-writ-ten, and un-heard, de-  
 dain-ing, the friends we need, to serve and lead, their

sid-ing and a-noint-ing. A proph-et-wom-an broke a jar,  
 ris-ing from sub-mis-sion. A faith-ful wom-an left a tomb,  
 rid-ed and for-bid-den, the Spir-it's breath, the Spir-it's fire,  
 powers and gifts un-chain-ing. The Spir-it knows; the Spir-it calls,

the sneers of scorn de-fy-ing. With rare per-fume she  
 with res-ur-rec-tion gos-pel. She saw; she heard; she  
 on free and slave de-scend-ing, can tum-ble our di-  
 from wom-en, men, and chil-dren, the friends we need, to

This text seeks to reverse the neglected witness of biblical women by celebrating the woman who washed Jesus' feet (unnamed in Matthew 26:6-13/Mark 14:3-9/Luke 7:36-50; Mary of Bethany in John 12:1-8) and Mary Magdalene (John 20:1-18; Matthew 28:1-10/Mark 16:1-7/Luke 24:10).

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HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING  
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filled the room, pre-paring Christ for dy-ing.  
 preached the Word, a-pos-tle to a-pos-tles.  
 vid-ing walls, our shame and sad-ness mend-ing.  
 serve and lead. Re-joice, and make them wel-come!

## RECOGNITION OF JUDY TURNBULL AND HER CHORAL MINISTRY AT LLANERCH PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

[We begin our prayers responsively, then the Minister offers prayers, and we conclude with our Lord's Prayer as indicated below.]

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.**

...

...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.**

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

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY *Adagio* from "Sonata No. 7" --W. A. Mozart

\* SUNG RESPONSE #592 "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow" --Doxology

♪ **"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN."** ♪

Sending

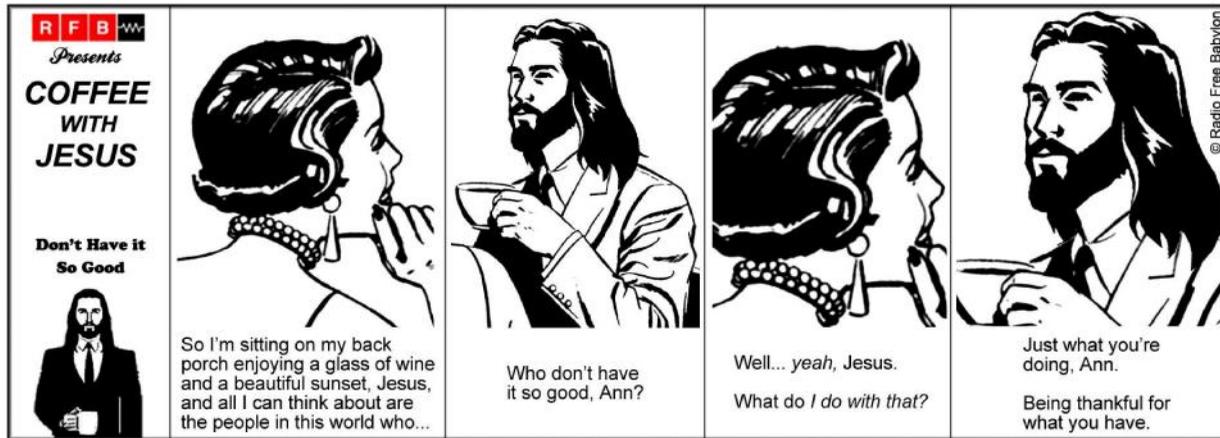
- \* HYMN 280 Amazing Grace  
 “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”
- \* ANNOUNCEMENTS
- \* BLESSING & CHARGE
- \* A SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST  
 ...The peace of Christ has been released among you, and may it go with you!  
**And also with you!**

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

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

**Service Notes for This Morning’s Worship Service:**

1. Our Prayers of the People and Prayer of Dedication were crafted with suggestions 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 Michelle Siegle** (Eleanor Siegle’s daughter-in-law who suffered a massive stroke), for Eleanor’s great-grandson **Steven Joachim** (who has a tumor in his leg), for Eleanor’s granddaughter, **Melanie Siegle** (who just graduated from high school) | **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 Dilorio’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 Dilorio, 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.

**JOIN US FOR**  
**Vacation Bible School 2016**  
**“Surf Shack”**  
**July 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>!**



- ) 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](http://web.llanerchpres.org/?page_id=84)



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Members of the Congregation

**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](http://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](mailto:revdrstipp@msn.com).

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

- Today 06/12 We are celebrating the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, worshipping with ROSEMONT PRESBYTERIAN VILLAGE!
- Monday 06/13 Session meets at 7:00pm.
- Tuesday 06/14 The Southeast Regional Commission meets at Christ's Church in Philadelphia; Llanerch sends two ruling elder commissioners with everyone welcome. This will be a special meeting to explore how the Commission can best serve congregations.
- NEXT Sunday 06/19 We celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost; it will also be Father's Day.



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