



Welcome to Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, September 12, 2021

Lancaster
Presbyterian
Church

*A Congregation of
the Evangelical
Presbyterian Church*

Rev. Dr. Kelly Negus
Senior Pastor

Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2 **Hallmarks of the Agin + New Self**

²⁵Therefore, laying aside falsehood, SPEAK TRUTH EACH ONE *of you* WITH HIS NEIGHBOR, for we are members of one another. ²⁶BE ANGRY, AND *yet* DO NOT SIN; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not give the devil an opportunity. ²⁸He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have *something* to share with one who has need. ²⁹Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such *a word* as is good for edification according to the need *of the moment*, so that it will give grace to those who hear. ³⁰Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tender-hearted forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you. ¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; ²and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

For Next Week: Ephesians 5:3-20

Communion will be taking place this morning.

This morning the Communion elements will be passed around.
If you would like the self-serve elements, they are available outside the sanctuary.

Purpose:

**For God's glory
we are committed
to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ
in all we say and all we do
to make and equip disciples
in our families, our community, and the world.**

Core Values:

**We believe in the authority of Scripture
and we affirm
the historic teachings
of Reformed Christianity.**

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September 12, 2021 ~ 8:30 AM

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Please sign the Friendship pad as it is passed through the pew, returning it to the side aisle.

Large Print Bulletins

and

Hearing Assistance Devices

are available
An usher will assist you.

Child Care is provided through kindergarten in the preschool wing on the first floor.

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Prayer Cards are available for special prayer requests. Prayer cards can be found in the pew envelope holders and as you enter the balcony. They can be placed in the offering basket. A wooden box in the back of the sanctuary is available for confidential prayer requests.

Please silence your cell phone.

* *Stand, if able*

Prelude: *He Leadeth Me medley*

Welcome and Friendship Pad

Minute for Mission: Small Group Ministry

Call to Worship

(Psalm 71: 17-19)

O God, You have taught me from my youth,
And I still declare Your wondrous deeds.
And even when *I am* old and gray,
O God, do not forsake me,
Until I declare Your strength to *this* generation,
Your power to all who are to come.
For Your righteousness, O God, *reaches* to the heavens,
You who have done great things;
O God, who is like You?

*Hymn: *Be Thou My Vision*

Red Hymnal #468

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus, Holy Spirit,
in our time together in Your word this morning
we are thinking of what it means to continually grow
into the ever-renewing self that You have created for us.
Since this self is created in Your image,
we are not surprised to learn of the qualities of truth,
disciplined self-control,
hard work and generosity,
grace, kindness, compassion, forgiveness and love
that it entails.

We are not there yet, Holy One,
but we are on the way.
Please hear the confession of our sins
in the silence of this moment.

Silent Confession

Blessed Trinity,
we thank You for the gift of confession and repentance.
We can't imagine what it would be
not to be able to come clean with You



The Lord's Prayer

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.

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all
blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures
here below;
Women: Praise Him above
ye heavenly host
Men: Praise Him above ye
heavenly host
Women: Praise, Father Son
Men: Praise, Father Son
Women: Praise, Father Son
Men: Praise, Father Son
All: Praise, Father, Son, and
Holy Ghost!

and to know Your forgiveness, salvation and eternal life.

Please make us a blessing,
even as we have received countless blessings from You.
We pray in Jesus' name, Amen!

Hymn: *Just As I Am, Without One Plea

Red Hymnal #417

Prayer for Illumination

Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2

Hallmarks of the Again + New Self

Pastor Kelly Negus

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ His only 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 hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and 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.

The Serving of the Elements

Please hold each element to partake together as a congregation.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* ~ Marker, Arr. Carter
Chancel Choir – Jessica Wander, Director

***Doxology**

***Benediction**

Parting Song: *I Love to Tell the Story

Red Hymnal #619

Postlude: *In Christ Alone* ~ Getty

Donna Lorenzo, Guest Organist

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and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

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*Worship Songs

Wonderful, Merciful Savior ~ Change My Heart O God

Led by the LPC Worship Team

Children's Message: Debi Eaton

*Worship Songs

Kindness ~ All Who Are Thirsty

Prayer

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*Benediction

*Worship Song

Your Grace Is Enough

Church Announcements

New Member Orientation - beginning Sunday, October 3rd @ 9:45am

This 6 week new member orientation will be facilitated by Pastor Kelly & Lisa, and Ed & Diane Carlsen, taking place in the Pastor's study. Meeting Sunday mornings October 3rd through November 14th @ 9:45am
There will not be a meeting on Sunday, November 7th due to the Mission Conference.
Please call the church office if you are interested in attending.

OCTOBER SMALL GROUPS - SIGN UPS TODAY & SEPT. 19

Are you ready for a more intimate setting of study and prayer, fellowship and fun? Are you ready for a conversation that doesn't involve a computer?

SIGN UPS WILL BE TODAY & SEPT. 19, for Small Groups which will begin in October! To keep things exciting, we will be making some changes this year, which will simplify and refresh the ministry. This year, group sign-ups will be roughly according to LIFE STAGE, and you will be able to choose the life stage group with which you are most comfortable when you sign up. Have you never been in a Small Group before? We meet in homes of hosts who have volunteered ahead of time, roughly twice per month, for food, fellowship, Bible study and prayer. You can bring the kids! It is very informal, and the children usually play nearby during the study.

Questions may be directed to Megan Chaves, Marie Babcock, or Lisa Negus.

Operation Christmas Child: Collection Dates Nov. 15 - 22 This is such a great time to begin purchasing items for your shoe boxes!! Please take advantage of all of the school supplies that are on sale and available!!

Men's Bible Study - beginning Monday September 27th @ 7:00pm

This Bible study will meet weekly on Monday evenings at 7:00pm in room 214, studying the Book of Luke.

Urban Christian Ministries 50+1 Anniversary Banquet

Saturday, Oct. 2, 2021 @ 6:00pm, Classics V Banquet Center (2545 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst)

Special Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dean Weaver - "Empowering the Next Generation"

TICKET PRICES: \$50/single; \$90/couple; \$320/table of 8

Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling UCM at 716-882-9472

TICKET PURCHASE DEADLINE: September 17th

Please see Elise Vincett today if you would like to purchase tickets!

The large banquet facility will adhere by Covid restrictions and distancing.



Youth Groups & more!!!

- **Kids Youth Group (Grades 3 - 6)** Thursdays 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. @ the Potter's House
- **Jr/Sr High Youth Group (Grades 7 - 12) TONIGHT!** - Youth Group Kickoff Pool party & games at the Carlsen's—Drop off at 6:00pm for a hot dog dinner; girls bring a drink and boys bring a snack; pick up at 9:00pm *n case of rain, we will meet at the Potters House from 7:00pm to 8:30pm for games & snacks.*
Regular schedule: Sundays 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. @ the Potter's House
- **DAB Dinner And Bible** College/career young adults (Schedule varies)



Youth Sunday School

PreK to 12th grade
Sundays @ 9:45am
Beginning TODAY!

We will all meet in the sanctuary and then head to your classrooms with your teachers.

Child Care Ministry

A special thank you to all who have helped out in the child care room this summer! You are truly a blessing to the families of those children!

There have been many young children in our child care rooms & our Child Care Ministry continues to allow those parents of these young children to attend our worship services. We are looking for 2 adults and 1 adult or teenage helper each week for each service.

Please consider signing up to help with this very important ministry within our church. It's a once a month commitment from September until the beginning of June. If you can't commit to once a month, maybe you can cover the months that have 5 Sundays (Oct, Jan, & May) or you could serve as a substitute.

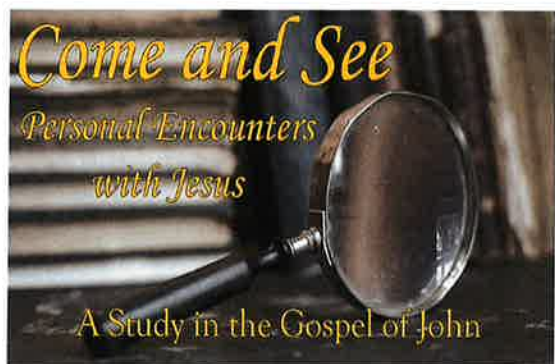
Sign up sheets can be found at the Information Table outside the sanctuary.

Copies of the minutes from the Stated Session Meeting in August are available on the Information Table outside of the sanctuary for those interested.

ISI'S WELCOME PICNIC - Saturday, Sept. 18th @ 12:30pm Ellicott Creek Park Site #4

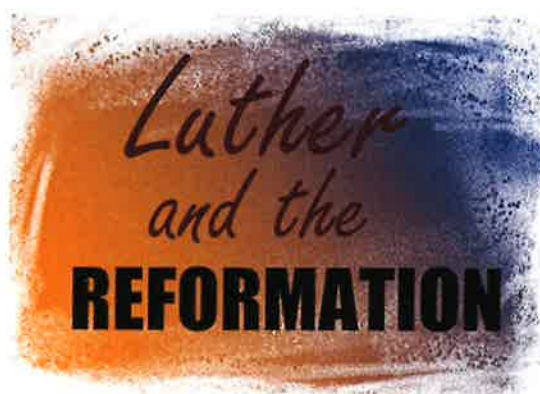
Any questions please call Sue Ernst at 745-3548. Food provided.
Come and meet the new international students! Bring a friend!
Covid vaccination required, or have had Covid in the past.

Adult Education Classes Today @ 9:45am



Teacher: Alan Nowicki Meeting in Waith Fellowship Hall

This September, Alan Nowicki will be re-starting the 8-week series titled *Come and See: Personal Encounters with Jesus*. Students will be given an overview of the Gospel of John, analyzing its main message, and examining the book from a historical, literary and cultural perspective, including translations of some of the original text. We will focus in on the unique, personal encounters that Jesus had with individuals throughout the Gospel. What do these encounters tell us about who Jesus is, and how do these interactions teach us about our own personal relationship with Christ.



Teacher: Ken O'Connor Meeting in room 114-115

Centuries after his death, Martin Luther is celebrated as an intellectual giant, a brave opponent of corruption, a shaper of culture, indeed, as one of the most significant figures in Western history. Many people, however, are unaware of the events of Luther's life that led him to make a courageous stand for the gospel in the sixteenth century. In this series, R.C. Sproul provides a thorough introduction to the life and thought of Martin Luther.

The motto of the reformation was "post tenebras lux" or "out of darkness light". It described the spiritual darkness that had descended upon the Church during the middle ages against the light of the Gospel preached by Martin Luther. Central to this issue were the sola's of the reformation. Justified by Grace Alone, through Faith Alone, in Christ Alone, as revealed in Scripture Alone, for the glory of God Alone. This series will not only explore the life and ministry of Martin Luther but the sola's of the reformation and the impact of these biblical doctrines upon our life today.

Martin Luther believed that the light of the Gospel would grow dim again. History has confirmed this truth. Europe has fallen to the post-modern philosophy, Canada not far behind. The future of the United States lies in wait.

Out of darkness light. Explore the truths of the Gospel through the life of Martin Luther and the Reformation.