UPPER TUSCARORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

589 BRICK CHURCH ROAD, EAST WATERFORD, PA 17021 JUNE 18, 2023 – 11:00 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: People of God, run to our welcoming, God.

ALL: Holy One, you never pass us by.

One: People of God, proclaim our love for the God of Love.

ALL: Beloved One, you hear our voices; you answer our cries and receive our praise.

One: People of God, sing God's good news to the world.

ALL: Empowering One, you give us power to be signs of the kingdom of heaven.

*HYMN OF PRAISE......"HERE I AM, LORD".....#525

CALL TO CONFESSION

One: We struggle daily with that human tendency to always do wrong, say hurtful things, turn our back to others. But God will never hold our sins against us or our foolish nature. Let us confess to our God, who frees us forever from judgment, as we pray,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in Unison)

Ever-present, ever-listening, and ever-empowering God, we often fall short when responding to your love. You promise us blessings, yet we often laugh in cynicism and disbelief. You always love us, yet we often act distant and even hostile. You empower us to be your loving presence, yet we often seek this power for ourselves. We call upon you now, knowing that you hear our voices and our supplications. We call upon you in this place, knowing that no accomplishment is too wonderful for you to accomplish. For there is no limit to your love for all people, and there is no end to your mercy. In Jesus's name, we pray. AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: This is the good news: God hears our prayers, our cries, our hearts. And, in Christ, we receive new life. We are free, free to walk in the Light of the Lord.

ALL: So, this is what we will do. We will open our hearts to God's

grace; we will live as people who have died to sin and who live for Christ. AMEN.

TODAY'S LESSONS

SERMON	"Why Are You Here?"	ED KERLIN
*HYMN	"LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES	Excelling"#370

CONFESSION OF FAITH - "The Apostle's 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was 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.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

*PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 and ever. **Amen.**

*PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY "PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"

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

*SENDING HYMN...... "MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS" #379

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE - "A-men, A-men, A-men"

*POSTLUDE

* - PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE
ALL HYMNS ARE FROM THE BLUE HYMNAL

UPCOMING WORSHIP LEADERS

JULY 2 & 16, AUGUST 6 & 20 – Ed Kerlin JUNE 25, JULY 9, 23 & 30, AUGUST 13 & 27 – Rev. Pat Roller

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE

PEACE AROUND THE WORLD, ESPECIALLY IN UKRAINE & RUSSIA

Courtney Borge Rick Goshorn Ruth Burdge Shaleen Herus **Kay Clugston** Tony & Virginia Hockenberry Mark Coons Trudy Hockenberry Cressa Kerlin Derek Corwell Dick & Gail Corwell Pat LeMay Iva Mae Love Erma Crouse Paul & Edie McClure Ann Darrow **Bobby Dunn** Nick Robertson Milissa Marie Fogle John Swarner Harold & Lucy Goshorn Jessie Westman Harry "Hoppy" & Bonnie Goshorn Jim Yarnell Lena Goshorn Louise Yohn

AND OUR LOCAL SERVICE PERSONNEL

Grant Speer

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will continue <u>TOMORROW</u>, <u>June 19, 2023 at 10:00</u>
<u>AM</u> in the UT Social Hall. The topic for the bible study is
"Women of the Bible." **EVERYONE WELCOME!!**

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