

June 30, 2024
10:00 AM Service of Worship
6th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Around the Word

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Cindy Bowman

Leader: We come together this morning
to hear the old stories of faith.

**People: We gather to learn from those
who have gone before us.**

Leader: We come wanting to understand
how they followed Jesus.

**People: We gather hoping to bolster our commitment
to following as they did.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord our God!

*HYMN #610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,

**We gather today aware of our shortcomings
in faith and commitment.**

**We truly want to be faithful and be the church
you call us to be.**

We truly want to be the disciples you call us to be.

**But we find ourselves being lazy at times,
not willing to work as we should.**

**We find that often we want someone else
to do the work of faith for us.**

Often our busy lives get in the way of doing your will.

Help us, we pray.

**Deepen and strengthen our faith and trust in you
so we may become the people, and the church,
you call us to be.**

*SILENT CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE #649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

***Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.***

*THE PASSING OF GOD'S LOVE AND PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all ... **And also with you.**

Proclaiming the Word

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Allison de Haas

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 23

p. 544

This is the Word of the Lord ... **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON

Mark 5:21-43

p. 995

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"The Risk of Faith"

The Rev. Byron Leasure

Responding to the Word

*DECLARATION 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.**

*HYMN #187

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bearing and Following the Word

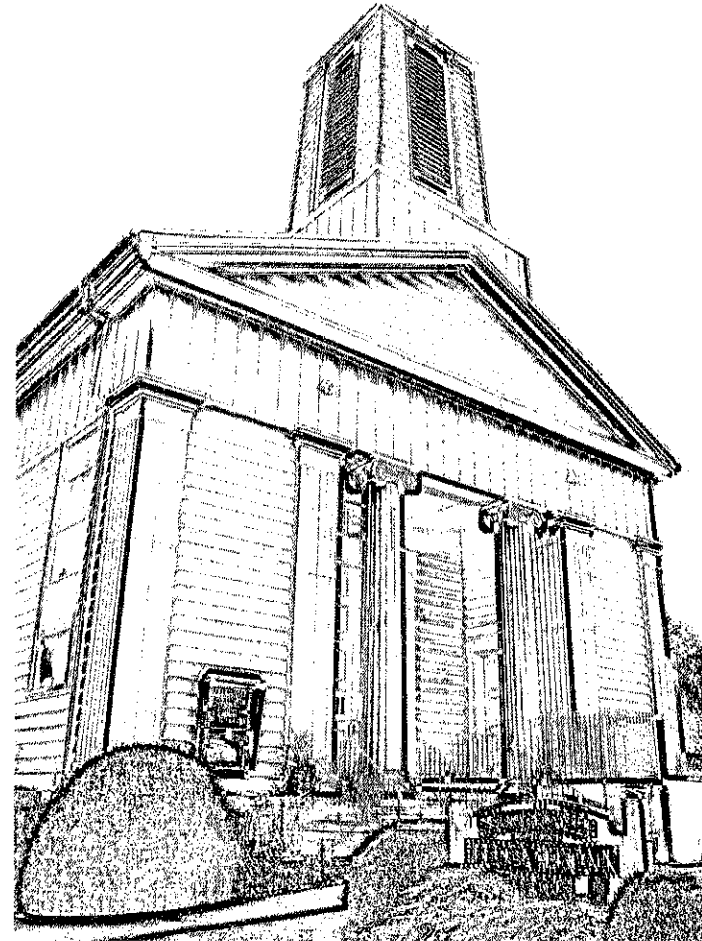
*HYMN #716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand if able

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Stewartsville Presbyterian Church

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PRAYER LIST OF THE CONGREGATION

(as of June 26, 2024)

Joel B.	Morton Family	Thompson Family
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Bond Family	Kane Family	Jackie F.
Rachel S.	Bryan/Shauger Family	Antoinette G.
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Dave G.	Maddie & Frank V.	Colton M.
Denise D.	Virginia S.	Frank I.
Victor W.	Anita W.	Jackie L.
Sis H.	Sherman Family	Jane R.
Cindy B.	Davidson Family	Greg R.
Rich K.	Kim S.	Steven M.
Josh	Laszlo M. & Family	Jeffrey G.
Muentener/Goff Family		Betty N.
		Kevin O.
		Renée's Parents

**Victims of Violence and Natural Disasters
Justice and Peace**

This Week's Mission Partner: Community FoodBank of NJ

To submit a prayer request, please contact the church office at
908-859-1399 or office@stewartsvillepc.org

OUR CONGREGATION IN MINISTRY

Assisting in Worship Today	Cindy Bowman
Greeter Today	Fred Gary
Broadcast Team	Alan Deak and Bill Fleming
Nursery Today	Nancy Sampson and Sarah Sampson

Week Ahead at Stewartsville Presbyterian Church

Today, 6/30: Pastor Stephen at General Assembly through July 6
AA, 6:00 p.m., Roan Hall
Wednesday, 7/3: AA, 7:00 p.m., Roan Hall
Thursday & Friday, 7/4-7/5: Church Office Closed for July 4th
Sunday, 7/7: Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., with Holy Communion
Mission Trip Commissioning
AA, 6:00 p.m., Roan Hall

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

Today, 6/30: Debbie Cole
Cory Ham
Judy Melchore
Monday, 7/1: John Dobrowski
Debbie Riley
Wednesday, 7/3: Mabel Cook
Thursday, 7/4: Roseann Rohm
Friday, 7/5: Jackie Lubinski

Announcements

Welcome. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We invite you to sign the pew pad as they are being passed. Restrooms are located downstairs in Roan Hall. We hope that the service is a blessing to you, and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Elder on Call. Pastor Stephen is attending General Assembly through July 6.

If you are in need of pastoral care while he is away, please contact the following Elder on Call:

Bill Nixon at 908-319-2800

Church Office Closed. The church office will be closed this Thursday and Friday, July 4-5 for the Independence Day holiday. Regular office hours are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Announcements (continued)

Guest Minister. Today we welcome the **Rev. Byron Leasure** to our pulpit. He is a retired PC(USA) pastor who lives in Riegelsville, PA. Pastor Leasure spent his career in transitional ministry, working specifically with churches in crisis. He has 3 grown children and 4 grandchildren living near him in Bucks County. Pastor Leasure loves the Delaware River Valley and its history, scenery, arts, and theater.

Adult Lunch Group. "Grazing with Grace," our Adult Lunch Group will meet on Thursday, July 11 at 11:30 a.m. at Applebee's, 1323 Route 22, Phillipsburg.

We encourage participants to bring a can of soup or \$1 to the luncheon to donate to NORWESCAP Food Bank.

If you plan to attend the luncheon, please call Louisa Miers at 908-763-3861 by Monday, July 8 to make your reservation.

Bulletin Folding Help Needed. We are looking for people who would be able to come to the church office at 12:00 Noon on Fridays to fold the Sunday bulletins. It takes anywhere from a half hour to an hour to fold the bulletins, depending on how many inserts we have. It's fun for people to come in pairs – the work goes faster and there is always good conversation!

If you are able to help, please contact Renée in the church office.

Summer Offering. Please remember the church during the summer.

If you will be on vacation, please consider mailing your offering to the church office, or contributing online while you are away.

Go to the church website, www.stewartsvillepc.org, Give Now.

Texts and Emails from Pastor Stephen. If you receive texts or emails from Pastor Stephen asking for money, these are scams. Please do not reply to them, and let Pastor Stephen know.

Meals on Wheels of the Greater Lehigh Valley. Volunteers are needed to help deliver Meals on Wheels, especially during the summer months.

For more information or to volunteer, please see Bud Evanoski or contact him at 484-547-2946 or bevanoski@hotmail.com

Catholic Charities Food Pantry. We continue to donate food and toiletries to the Catholic Charities Food Pantry.

At this time, the food pantry is in particular need of grape and strawberry jelly, toothpaste, shampoo, bath soap, and toilet paper, as well as grocery bags.

Devotionals. The following daily devotionals are available on the table in the sanctuary, or by calling the church office:

- "Our Daily Bread," June/July/Aug. issue.
- "Today," July/August issue.
- "Our Daily Bread," large-print edition, July/Aug./Sept. issue.

Pray for This Week's Mission Partner: Community FoodBank of NJ. The Community FoodBank of NJ fights hunger and poverty in New Jersey by assisting those in need and seeking long-term solutions. They package food orders for local soup kitchens and food pantries; purchase and collect food for distribution; help people in need through SNAP application assistance; reach communities with limited resources with mobile pantries; and encourage others to get involved. Last year, they distributed food for over 90 million meals.