

**Morning Worship
23rd Sunday of the Year**

10:00 A.M. September 5, 2010

Prelude (Titles of our organ selections are posted this morning on the bulletin board in the front lobby.)

Greetings and Announcements

Call to Worship Jan Rolecki
Introit (248) "You Are Before Me, Lord" Psalm 139

Invocation (Unison)

Word of life, speak to me, that I may answer You. Call on me, and strengthen me, that I may do Your will. You have made me for Yourself, and I am Your servant, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose Name I pray. Amen

*Hymn "Jesus, Our Divine Companion" 305

Service of Confession

Silent Prayers

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Dear God our Maker, forgive our sin, and do not hold against us our selfishness and faithlessness. Do not despise our effort to pray, nor turn from our seeking peace with You and righteousness before You. Accept us for the sake of Jesus Christ, and help us to be faithful to what Christ has accomplished for us, that we may faithfully serve you in His Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord's Prayer (Debts)

Choral Response

Responsive Reading

Jeremiah 18: 1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord. "Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words."

So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel.

And the vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to do.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: "O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter has done? says the Lord.

Behold, like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.

If at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it,

And if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will repent of the evil that I intended to do to it.

And if at any time I declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, and if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will repent of the good which I had intended to do to it.

Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: 'Thus says the Lord, Behold, I am shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you.

Return, every one from his evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.'

Service of Giving

*Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth" 473

*Sentences

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology 592

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Service of Reflection

Children's Message

Scripture

Philemon 1-21

*Hymn "Loving Spirit" 323
Gospel Luke 14: 25-33
Anthem Men's Chorus "The Nation's Prayer" Franck

Sermon

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" 564

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

**Christian, rise and act thy creed,
Let thy prayer be in thy deed;
Seek the right, perform the true,
Raise thy work and life anew. Amen.**

*Postlude

Dismissed to our service in the world

*Standing

Serving Today

Acolyte

Christine Craddock

Ushers

Mike Wilson - Captain, Evan Wilson,
Frank Siler, Carol Vargas

Reader

Jan Rolecki

Nursery

Lisa Scott

Junior Church

Lisa Scott

This Week

Today

9:00 a.m.

Senior Choir

9:45 a.m. Communion, Tower Room

10:00 a.m. Service of Worship

Nursery provided

Tuesday

7:00 p.m.

Prayer Group in Library

Wednesday

7:15-8:30 p.m.

Choir Night

Notices

Next Sunday September 12, Regular Sunday

Hours Resume: Sunday School with classes for preschool to adult at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Please remember to check the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the back hallway, to see if we need help on Sunday mornings in coming weeks.

Additional Communion Opportunity

Communion will be served in the room beneath the clock tower and steeple which is at the south end of the Third Street entry lobby at **9:45, this Sunday, September 5.**

Choir Night

Choir Night will be held Wednesday, September 8 at 7:15. At 8:00 we will begin working on the Fauré "Requiem" for services November 7. Anyone who cannot sing regularly but would be available for November 7 is welcome to attend. Subsequent rehearsals for the "Requiem" will be held Wednesday, October 6, 8-9 p.m., Wednesday, October 27, 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday, November 3, 7-9 p.m.

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study will resume at 10:00 A.M. on **Tuesday, September 14**. We will begin the year reading and discussing Faith & Doubt by John Ortberg. The inside flap of the book says "You long to live with certainty, to know without a doubt that you've bet your life on the truth and that no surprises await you on the other side of eternity. Even those known for their deep faith -- people like Billy Graham, Martin Luther, and Mother Teresa -- have wrestled with unanswerable and often painful questions. John Ortberg takes an honest look at the misgivings and uncertainties that often obscure our view of God. He candidly describes grappling with his own personal doubts as well as walking with others through the faith-shaking storms of life. Then he reveals how we can celebrate the gift of uncertainty as we allow the right kinds of doubt to actually deepen our faith and intimacy with God."

We are looking forward to some lively discussions and we hope you will join us! Please contact Gayle Pepper (523-0182) or Janice Rolecki (523-6074) if you are interested so we can make sure we have a copy of the book for you.

Sunday School Picnic, Everyone Welcome

You are invited to a picnic on Sunday, September 26th at the St. Mary Street picnic pavilion. Food and table service provided. Please join us for food, fellowship and games. If you are planning to join us, please sign up on the bulletin board near the Friendship Room. Please see Karen Roessler or Lisa Scott with questions.

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For Your Prayer

Grace Bollinger was scheduled for surgery at GMC Thursday, Sept. 2, as of this printing.

Ben Austin, Ken Bollinger, Peg Budd, Herman Howard Jr., Irene Howard, Mike Lucas, Russ Mayberry, Anne Murcek and Betty Siler are at home. Dick Budd is in Rehab.

Bill Bobb and Janet VanBuskirk are at Riverview Manor. Peg Bryan, and Chet and Margaret Jump are at RidgeCrest. Beverly Fisher and Evelyn Reed are at RiverWoods. Harriet Littell is at ElmCroft. Gloria Miller is at Rolling Hills Manor.

Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request or are interested in being notified when prayer requests are submitted, please contact Jan Rolecki at 523-6074 or Kathryn Morris at kmorris1@dejazzd.com

CROP Hunger Walk October 3

The Lewisburg CROP Hunger Walk will be October 3. Make plans now to either join in the walk or donate to a Walker. Your time or donation will help Church World Services in *Ending Hunger One Step at a Time*.

New Windsor, Maryland Work Trip Nov. 1&2

We have been invited by First English Baptist of Bloomsburg to join them for a hands-on mission work experience Nov. 1 (travel day and overnight stay) and Nov. 2 (work day and return). See Mac for information.

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