

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

139 N. 4th Street
Emmaus, Pennsylvania

January 15, 2012

Second Sunday after Epiphany

8:00 and 10:30 AM

The People of God Gather For Worship

Thought for Meditation: *“Faith is necessary for physical as well as spiritual well being.”*

Dr. Smiley Blanton

Prelude: *“Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him”* arr. Smith
“Here I Am, Lord”
Duet -Ainsley Stenroos and Danielle DiCarne
...All May Stand...

Processional Hymn: *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”* #66
...Please Be Seated...

Welcome and Announcements
Mission Moment

...All May Stand...

Solemn Declaration

Call to Worship:

Pastor: God is calling. Do you not hear?
You are being called by name, for a purpose.

People: **God, you have searched us and know us.**
You discern our thoughts from far away.

Pastor: Do not confuse the siren calls of the world for God’s call.
Do not confuse the values of this world for God’s values.

People: **You know, O God, when we sit and when we stand.**
You know when we lie down and where we go.

Pastor: Your words and your deeds are known to God.
You were known to God before you were born.

People: **Your knowledge of us is more than we can understand.**
Your thoughts embrace us amid all you have created.

Act of Confession:

Pastor: We can hide nothing from God, who knows our every thought. God is aware of sins we have not recognized. Whenever we have broken a solemn trust, whenever we have acted on selfish impulse, whenever we have trampled the feelings of others or ignored their need, God has noticed. We cannot be right with God unless we examine ourselves and repent.

All: **O God, our lives are an open book to you. Help us to recognize in ourselves what you have seen there. Remove the distortions that keep us from acknowledging our sin. Awaken in us a sorrow over the wrong we have done and the good we have neglected. Create in us an earnest desire to change. O God, we are in touch with the pain we have caused and the pain within us. Because of your love and care, we can face and overcome the sins we here confess. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Kyrie:

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Pastor: Christ, have mercy upon us.

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Forgiveness:

Pastor: God has heard your cries and felt your pain. Your struggles to know yourself are prompted by God’s love. God leads the community of faith beyond what is lawful to what is holy. We are not our own; we are members of Christ. We are one in the Spirit. By God’s grace, we are turning from self-serving ways to selfless ministries.

Above all else, we who were bought with a price seek to honor and glorify God.

Sung Response: "Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

...Please Be Seated...

The People of God Share the Word of God

A Time to Pass Our Faith Onto Our Children

The Holy Scripture:

Old Testament Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 Page 215

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Page 929

Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51 Page 863

If you would like to follow the readings, the Bibles are under the hymnal rack.

Sermon: "The Temple Of The Body"

Rev. Dr. Paul W. Knappenberger

...All May Stand...

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only begotten 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 hades;
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: "Creator God, Creating Still"

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...Please Be Seated...

The People of God Pray

Celebrations of Joy and Moments of Concern

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Invitation

The Offertory: "Face to Face" (8:00)

arr. Scott

Senior Choir Anthem: "God Is Always With Me" (10:30)

arr. Althouse

...All May Stand...

The Offertory Response: "Doxology"

#46

**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 and Commitment

The People of God Go Forth In Mission

Commission and Blessing:

Pastor: Jesus said, "Follow me," so Philip followed.

Jesus says to us, "Follow me!" Will we follow?

**People: We do not always know where Jesus will lead.
But we hear the call, and we intend to follow.**

Pastor: Philip found Nathaniel and led him to Jesus.

There are many we know whom Jesus is seeking.

**People: It is often difficult to share our faith with friends.
But we hear the call, and we intend to invite them.**

Pastor: Jesus promised, "You will see greater things than I have shown you."

We are Christ's messengers of revelation today.

People: Wonderful are the works of our God.

Christ is our mentor, our Savior and friend.

Benediction
Threefold Amen
Recessional Hymn: *"The Church's One Foundation"* #272
Silent Moment
Postlude: *"O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"* arr. Birchwood

Welcome

Welcome to worship and fellowship with the family of God. Greet one another in Christ's name.

Preparation for Worship

O God, as you call our names in worship and beyond, help us recognize your voice and respond, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:9, NRSV).

Children's Bulletins are available for age groups 3 to 6 and 7 to 12.

Large-print Bulletins are available for anyone who requests one.

Church Time Nursery is across the hall from the Family Room.

Please ask our ushers to assist you with any of these needs

CHURCH STAFF

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TODAY'S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

8:00 AM

Acolytes: Emily Drabick, Kenneth Heck
Greeters: Jake and Jo Kleppinger
Lay Reader: Barry Barto
Ushers: Dolores Fioriglio, Kyle Heck, Steve Heck, Kevin Krause
Sound System: Russ Drabick

8:00 AM

Acolytes: Olivia DeLong, Joscelyn Hengeveld
Greeters: Jean Bednar, David Hengeveld, Ben Powell
Lay Reader: Linda Hengeveld
Ushers: Bill Knappenberger, Jackie Knappenberger, Richard Miller, Carolyn Powell
Sound System: Don Keck
Nursery: Kris Wentz, Shania Koehler
Tape Ministry: Nancy Wieder
Flower Delivery: Nancy Wieder
Hospitality: Aaron and Lisa Weida

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sunday, January 15

- 8:00 am Worship
- 8:50 am Children's Choir
- 9:15 am Sunday School for All Ages
- 10:30 am Worship

Monday, January 16

Martin Luther King Holiday
Church Office Closed

- 7:30 pm Bible Study

Tuesday, January 17

- 9:00 am Quilts for Kids
- 6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop #6640

Wednesday, January 18

- 6:30 pm Confirmation Class
- 6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop #25
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir
- 7:45 pm Senior Choir

Thursday, January 19

- 6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop #6123
- 6:30 pm Cadettes
- 6:30 pm All Dens

Saturday, January 21

- 8:30 am AA
- 8:30 am Al Anon

Sunday, January 22

- 8:00 am Worship
- 8:50 am Children's Choir
- 9:15 am Sunday School for All Ages
- 10:30 am Worship

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Church Announcements for Sunday, January 15, 2012

January Mission: Lehigh County Conference of Churches Linkage Street Ministry Program

During the month of January, we will be collecting the following items needed by Ben Stephens, Linkage Coordinator, as he strives to move the homeless towards self-sufficiency: men's warm hats, gloves and socks, deodorant, soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Please give as you are able. A box is in the narthex for your donations. *"When we share what we have, we are the Church."*

Sign the Pew Register

To encourage fellowship at St. John's, please sign the pew register found at the center aisle of your pew. Pass the register on for others to sign it. As it is passed back, read the register and learn the names of those worshipping with you this morning!

Annual Congregational Meeting

Our annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 19, 2012 after the 10:30 AM worship service. A sign up sheet is located on the welcome desk in the narthex to sign up for the luncheon that will be provided.

If you are responsible for a report to be included in the Annual Report, please note that the deadline for information to be submitted to the church office is **NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2012.** Early submissions are always greatly appreciated!

Gently Used Handbag Sale & Mother's Day Tea

The Mission Committee is planning a gently used handbag sale and tea in conjunction with Mother's Day 2012. All proceeds will go to the Garden Committee for their use in purchasing perennials/shrubs/trees for the church gardens. Details will be forthcoming. Please save your clean gently used purses and tote bags for the 2012 Mother's Day Celebration!

Church Flowers

Please call the church office if you are sponsoring organ or chancel table flowers so your dedication can be included in the bulletin. You must also call George's Greenhouse to place your order for those flowers at 610-965-4215. For altar flowers, please fill out a card located beneath the sign up poster and submit it to the church office. **Please remember there are no longer ANY standing flower orders from year-to-year. It is your responsibility to sign up and get the information to the church office promptly.**

Confidentiality

It is important that we honor the rights to privacy of medical information for our St. John's members. If someone in the congregation shares a prayer concern, a medical issue, or hospitalization information with you, **please ask their permission** before sharing that information with the pastors, Undershepherd Ministry, Prayer Tree or church office, or for announcement in worship. If you are hospitalized or are sharing any prayer concerns, the pastors will ask your permission before disclosing information to anyone beyond the pastoral staff.

New Church Office Hours

Please note the office hours have changed to 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Monday through Friday.

Bible Study – The Divine Conspiracy

We will have a six week Bible study on the book *The Divine Conspiracy* by Dr. Dallas Willard. The study will be held on Monday nights starting at 7:30 pm in the youth room. The dates for the Bible study are January 16, 23 and 30 and February 6, 13 and 20. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex or you can call the office to sign up.

Youth Group

The first Youth Group gathering for 2012 will be this Sunday, January 15, from 6-8pm. Youth in grades 5th - 12th are welcome to come out and attend. Snacks will be provided. Come out to this time of fun and Christian Fellowship.

Church Hospital Code Number is 466!

The pastors visit our hospitalized members. If you, or a member of your family enters the hospital, please ask the hospital to place the patient's name on church code #466, St. John's UCC, Emmaus or call the church office to inform us at 610-965-9158.

Recently Hospitalized: John Kissinger, Margaret Hackman, Maella Doney, Robert Roth, Edgar Dennis, Eleanor DeRemer, Gloria Schlegel, Raymond Selnik

Greeting Cards

The Undershepherd Ministries give us the opportunity to sign greeting cards for folks on our Home Visitation List, for members of the congregation who need a lift, or just to say "hello". All cards are in the Narthex. Please take a minute to sign the cards and send these folks our Christian greetings. Today we are signing cards for:

Lawrence and Sheila Delhagen, Arlene Hunsicker, Dorothy Sweitzer, Robert Roth

The Altar Flowers are sponsored by Barry and Ellen Miller in honor of our loving mother, Ruth "Neff" Zellner.

The Organ Flowers are sponsored by Mary George and Family in memory of Grace Trumbauer.

The Bulletins are sponsored by Barry and Ellen Miller in memory of departed parents.

Church Attendance – January 8, 2012: **8:00 AM** - 82 **10:30 AM** – 140

Income Report for Sunday, January 8, 2012:

Mortgage Account (BOFFT, Building Blocks, Building Fund) – \$2,203.00

General Fund - \$15,515.72