

**ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

139 N. 4th Street  
Emmaus, Pennsylvania

November 14, 2010

*Honoring our Veterans*

**Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**                      **8:00 and 10:30 AM**

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*The People of God Gather For Worship*

Thought for Meditation: *"Men are born to succeed, not to fail."*  
- Henry David Thoreau

Prelude: Organ Prelude  
*...All May Stand...*

Processional Hymn: *"This Is My Father's World"*                      #59  
*...Please Be Seated...*

Welcome and Announcements  
*...All May Stand...*

Call to Worship:  
*Pastor:*        God is ready to answer us, even before we call.  
                    God is eager to listen, though we are not ready to speak.  
**People:**        **The hills sing together before God's presence.**  
                    **All of nature proclaims God's glory.**  
*Pastor:*        If the seas join in praise, how much more should we.  
                    If hills are alive with song, let us, too, awake to sing.  
**People:**        **Make a joyful noise to God, all people of the earth!**  
                    **Break forth into joyous song!**  
*Pastor:*        Be glad! Rejoice in all that God is creating.  
                    Welcome the new heaven and earth God has planned.  
**People:**        **We worship God with great joy and delight.**  
                    **We welcome God's healing touch in our midst.**

Act of Confession:  
*Pastor:*        Let us now confess our sins to God.  
**People:**        **O God, our salvation, we confess that we have tried to live apart from you. Our daily habits deny your reality. We toil without seeking your will. We work without giving our best. We compete with brothers and sisters without valuing them as your children or relating to them as our kin. We follow fads and false leaders while neglecting our faith. Forgive our misplaced trust, our hesitation to take risks of caring witness, and our failure to empathize with others. Restore our connections with all from who we are alienated. 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:*        Those who revere God's name will find healing when they come to God in heartfelt prayer. Those who model themselves after saints will grow in love and trust. Be glad and rejoice in what God is creating among us. God grants forgiveness along with wisdom and strength to face life's challenges.

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*

Cherub Choir Selection

A Time to Pass Our Faith Unto Our Children

Honoring our Veterans (10:30)

The Holy Scripture:

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25 Page 607

Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Page 962

Gospel Lesson: Luke 21:5-19 Page 856

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

Sermon: "Goal Setting" Rev. Dr. Paul W. Knappenberger

Order of the Baptism: *Lucy Jayne Tuttle*

Invitation and Welcome: Lighting the Baptismal Candle

*Pastor:* Members and friends in Christ, we gather now to celebrate the gift of grace in the sacrament of baptism.

**All: There is one body and one Spirit. There is one hope in God's call to us.**

*Pastor:* There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Creator of us all.

**All: This is the water of baptism. Out of this water we rise with new life, forgiven of sin and one in Christ.**

Address

*Pastor:* Jesus came to John to be baptized by him. But John tried to make him change his mind. "I ought to be baptized by you," John said, "yet you have come to me!"

**People: Jesus said, "Let it be so for now. For in this way, we shall do all that God requires." So John agreed.**

*Pastor:* As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. Then heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and lighting on him.

**People: Then a voice said from heaven, "This is my own dear Son, with whom I am well pleased."**

*Pastor:* At another time Jesus said: Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The sacrament of baptism is an outward and visible sign of the grace of God. Inasmuch as the promise of the gospel is not only to us but also to our children, baptism with water and the Holy Spirit is the mark of their acceptance into the care of Christ's church, the sign and seal of their participation in God's forgiveness, and the beginning of their growth into full Christian faith and discipleship.

**People: This is the water of baptism. Out of this water we rise with new life, forgiven of sin and one in Christ, members of Christ's body.**

Questions of the Candidates

*Pastor:* Jeffrey and Coryn, do you desire to have your child baptized into the faith and family of Jesus Christ?

*Parents: We do.*

*Pastor:* Will you encourage this child to renounce the powers of evil and to receive the freedom of new life in Christ?

*Parents: We will, with the help of God.*

*Pastor:* Will you teach this child that she may be led to profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?

*Parents and Sponsors: We will, with the help of God.*

*Pastor:* Do you promise, by the grace of God, to be Christ's disciples, to follow in the way of our Savior, to resist oppression and evil, to show love and justice, and to witness to the work and word of Jesus Christ, as best you are able?

*Parents and Sponsors: We do, with the help of God.*

*Pastor:* Do you promise, according to the grace given you, to grow with this child in the Christian faith, to help this child to be a faithful member of the church of Jesus Christ, by celebrating Christ's presence, by furthering Christ's mission in all the world, and by offering the nurture of the Christian church so that she may affirm her baptism?

*Parents and Sponsors: We do, with the help of God.*

Congregational Assent:

*Pastor:* Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations and to offer them the gift of grace in baptism. Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love,

support, and care to the one about to be baptized, as she lives and grows in Christ?

**People: We promise our love, support, and care.**

Affirmation of Faith:

Pastor: Let us unite with the church in all times and places in confessing our faith in the triune God.

Do you believe in God?

**People: I believe in God.**

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**People: I believe in the Holy Spirit.**

Prayer of Baptism:

Pastor: Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Act of Baptism:

Pastor Jeffrey and Coryn, by what name will your child be called?

*Parents: Lucylle Jayne Tuttle*

Pastor Lucylle Jayne Tuttle, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for the Baptized:

Benediction:

Pastor: Go in the peace of Christ.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Hymn: *"This Child We Dedicate to Thee"*

**This Child we dedicate to Thee,  
O God of grace and purity!  
In Thy great love its life prolong,  
Shield it, we pray, from sin and wrong.  
O may Thy Spirit gently draw  
Its willing soul to keep Thy law;  
May virtue, piety, and truth,  
Dawn even with its dawning youth.**

## *The People of God Pray*

Celebrations of Joy and Moments of Concern

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer

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.**

## *Sharing our Tithes and Offerings*

Offering Invitation:

The Offering

The Offertory: Organ Offertory (8:00)

Senior Choir: *"Stand Up"* (10:30)

*...All May Stand...*

The Offertory Response: *"Doxology"*

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**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:

*Pastor:* Take with you the assurance of healing and wholeness. God's steadfast love and faithfulness accompany you.

**People: We will sing of the victories God makes possible in us.**

**We will praise God for comfort and guidance.**

*Pastor:* Life in God's realm is a gift freely given to us.

It is also a way of relating that we are to share.  
**People: We want others to come to know God through us.  
We want to live in ways that make God's love known.**

*Pastor:* God will give you the words and wisdom you need.  
By your endurance, you will gain your souls.

**People: Praise God with trumpet, lyre and horn.  
Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.**

Choral Benediction:

(Tune: "Morning Has Broken")

**New life has bloomed here,  
God's love has warmed us;  
Now the world calls us  
To go and spread love.  
God's peace go with you.  
May it sustain you.  
And bring us together  
To praise God again.**

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Recessional Hymn: "This Is My Song" #722

Silent Moment

Postlude: "Fugue" Bach

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### Welcome

Welcome to the Lord's house. Today we recognize with appreciation all the men and women who have served or are currently serving in our nation's military.

### Preparation for Worship

Today as we turn from the rush of daily life, may we find spiritual rest and renewal. You alone, God, can give us strength for our journey.

### Stewardship Moment

"We can give without loving, but we cannot love without giving."

[Rick Warren]

## TODAY'S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

**8:00 AM**

*Acolytes:* Joshua Dillman, Alexis Hanna  
*Greeters:* Joyce Brey, Steve Heck  
*Lay reader:* Jean Deischer  
*Ushers:* Dolores Fioriglio, Brian Dillman, Jr., Kyle Heck,  
Deanna Johns  
*Sound System:* Brian Dillman

**10:30 AM**

*Acolytes:* Emily Hartranft, Joscelyn Hengeveld  
*Greeters:* Ben and Carolyn Powell, Floyd Schmoyer  
*Lay Reader:* Greg Herbine  
*Ushers:* Richard Miller, Darren Labenberg, Drew Labenberg,  
Pat Roth  
*Sound System:* Don Keck  
*Nursery:* Jennifer Hartranft  
*Tape Ministry:* Nancy Wieder  
*Hospitality:* Carl and Nancy Wieder  
*Flower Delivery:* Les Schoenberger

### Baptism

Welcome the newly baptized this morning, Lucylle Jayne Tuttle, daughter of Jeffrey M. Sterner and Coryn Tuttle.

## **CHURCH STAFF**

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## **ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, November 14**

#### **Honoring Our Veterans**

#### **Blanket Sunday**

- 8:00 am Worship
- 9:15 am Sunday School for all Ages
- 10:30 am Worship

### **Monday, November 15**

- 6:15 pm Cadettes #6056
- 7:00 pm Music and Worship Committee (Parlor)

### **Tuesday, November 16**

- 9:00 am Quilts for Kids
- 6:00 pm Daisy Troop #61130
- 6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop #6640

### **Wednesday, November 17**

- 10:00 am 10-2 Club
- 6:30 pm Journey Through Grief (Parlor)
- 6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop #25
- 6:30 pm Bell Choir
- 7:45 pm Senior Choir

### **Thursday, November 18**

- 10:30 am Bible Study (Youth Lounge)
- 6:00 pm Cherub Choir
- 6:30 pm Jr. Choir
- 6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop #6123
- 6:30 pm Cadettes
- 6:30 pm Cub Scouts - All Dens

### **Saturday, November 20**

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

### **Sunday, November 21**

#### **Harvest Home**

- 8:00 am Worship
- 9:15 am Sunday School for all Ages
- 10:30 am Worship

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### ***Church Announcements for Sunday, November 14, 2010***

#### **November Mission – Harvest Home: Phoebe Ministries & Food for the Needy**

For many years, Phoebe Ministries has been an important mission in the life of St. John's. Many members have been residents there or have been served at their outpatient clinic. Others have been employed there or have spent many hours volunteering. Support of Phoebe Ministries will provide help in the caring of older adults. On Harvest Home Sunday, November 21, Reverend Alan Kramer Moyer, Vice President of Pastor Care Service at Phoebe Home, will be the guest speaker at both services. You may use the designated offering envelopes found in your bulletins or the mission envelopes in the pew racks for your donations. Please designate "Phoebe." Please give as generously as you are able to this special ministry.

Food Donations: The Altar Guild and the Mission Committee will work together to decorate the sanctuary for Harvest Home Sunday. With donated gift cards from local markets, Mission Committee members will purchase such items as clementines, apples, potatoes, etc. Members of the congregation are asked to donate non-perishable items any time during November. Donations may be placed in the food baskets in the narthex. On Harvest Home Sunday, November 21, members of the Sunday school will participate by bringing all items forward for a blessing. All food items will be distributed to needy families. "Happy are those...who give food to the needy." Psalm 146:5,7.

The Mission Committee thanks all who continue to generously support St. John's Mission projects.

#### **Veterans Recognition Sunday**

Today is Veterans Recognition Sunday. This is a time to thank all of the men and women who have served or who are currently serving in our armed forces.

#### **Organ Recital**

Richard Van Auken will present an organ recital on Sunday afternoon, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM at Old Zionsville UCC to dedicate the rebuilt 3 manual Bates and Cully organ. Walker Technical Company restored the pipes and added digital voices and midi capabilities. Light refreshments will be served after the recital.

#### **White Rose**

The White Rose placed on the altar this morning is in memory of **Linda Conrad** who passed away on November 8. We offer our prayers and support for her family and friends.

#### **New Members Class**

There will be a new member's class on Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the church parlor. We will welcome new members during the 10:30 worship service on December 12<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in attending, please speak with Pastor Paul or call the church office.

#### **Blood Pressure Screening**

Today, November 14<sup>th</sup>, representatives of the Health Ministry Task Force at St. John's will be doing blood pressure screening. You are invited to stop by the Health Room following the 8:00 AM service or before and after the 10:30 AM service to have your blood pressure checked.

**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.

**J. Wesley Bergey**

**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:

**Adele Schaffer, Dorothy Ortt, Vicki Werkheiser, Richard Brown, Linda Conrad**

**The Altar Flowers** are sponsored by Marian Wilfinger and Family in memory of Alfred Wilfinger.

**The Bulletins** are sponsored by Dolores F. Sell and Family in memory of Hermie Feather.

**Church Attendance** – November 7: 8:00 AM – 78                      10:30 AM – 152

**Income Report for Sunday, November 7, 2010:**

Mortgage Account (BOFFT, Building Blocks, Building Fund) – \$2,313.00

General Fund - \$6,931.77

Loud Offering - \$257.32