



Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 27, 2023

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Mission Statement

"Ebensburg Presbyterians
are Christians giving help
and hope to all by sharing God's love."

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord our God, we give you thanks
for the grace that is at work in us through the gift of our baptism—
the sign of your triune name, the communion of your faithful
people, the promise of your glorious realm.
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
poured out upon us in baptism,
let your grace and peace grow
in us as we continue to worship your mighty name
and give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP¹ (*Responsively*)

We gather as the body of Christ.

**We are many individuals,
but together we are one.**

Each of us has our own gifts,
our own calling, our own role,

but all of us proclaim.

Jesus Christ is the Messiah!

* HYMN#466 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

CALL TO CONFESSIONS:

We seek the will of God,
but still find ourselves conformed to this world,
instead of being transformed into God's image.
Let us seek forgiveness for the ways we have turned away from
justice and mercy.

¹ CTW 561A

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *(in unison)*

Almighty God,

When faced with earthly powers that seem overwhelming, we crumble. We fear this world. We fear losing our status, our stability, our station more than we fear you. Forgive our shortcomings and teach us to trust in you when we take a risk for what we know is right. Amen (silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *(Responsibly)*

We could not stand in the judgment. But God is with us, steadfast and faithful, as we seek to live in peace.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST *(responsively)*

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also, with you.

(Please share the peace of Christ with those around.)

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURES

FIRST READING: Genesis 47:1-5 Page 39

SECOND READING: Genesis 15:12-14 Page 10

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God!

SERMON Walking In the shadow of God's Promises

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMNS#543 Abide with Me (vs 1-2)

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE 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. Amen.

INVITATION & PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Romans 12:1-3*

SENDING

*HYMNS#379 My Hope Is Bult on Noting Less

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Amen

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Please stand as you are able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Major Repair Project has started!

Please continue praying for the project and prayerfully consider donating to this cause—The Lord God will give us success. Please, contact pastor Owar or one of our leaders for more information.

Bible2020 Program—Bible Study Program will not meet in August, but resume in September on Wednesdays @7pm

Youth Program and Confirmation

Youth program resumes on Sunday, August 27, 2023

Confirmation and Youth Service is scheduled for Sunday September 17th. Please plan to attend the service and fellowship after service.

Holy Communion: *Sunday, September 3, 2023*

Session Meeting: Monday, September 11, 2023 @7pm

Kids Potato Patch and Mini Golf
September, 30, 2023 @10:30—2:20

August Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

- Aug. 5 Jack Makosy
- Aug. 8 Philip Rice
- Aug. 15 Kristine Segear
- Aug. 24 Phil Brulia
- Aug. 25 Duane Mohney
- Aug. 27 Makenzie Magley De Yulis

Happy Anniversary	
Aug.3	Jack & Sue Makosy
Aug. 7	Ed Baker & Carol Carlisle
Aug. 31	Susan & Matt Wolfe

PRAYER LIST

If you have any names, you would like added to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920 or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

- Eva Tomb
- Ray McKim
- Jim Estep
- Ramona McKim
- Candi Elam
- Ben & Patricia Tuchi
- Peter & Margaret Funch
- Albie
- Tom R.
- Erin M.
- Marty F

- Claudette Segear
- John Fedora
- Gloria P.
- Father Pat Kirsch
- Family of Richard McKim
- Phil Brulia

You may join our church in one of three ways:

- Transfer from another congregation;
- Reaffirm your faith if you have not been an active church member recently;
- Profess Jesus as Savior and Lord. Please talk to the pastor or one of the leaders

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Will be sponsoring a
Congregational Depression Awareness Program (CDAP)

Sunday, September 17, 2023
12:30 p.m.

(after Sunday worship and a brief lunch break)

In honor of Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, Dr. D William Hale, Professor of Psychiatry, Behavioral Sciences, and Medicine at Johns Hopkins Medicine, and co-director of the Congregational Depression Awareness Program, will share his personal and professional experience with us.

The presentation will be in-person in the sanctuary
and also live streamed on Facebook.

Lunch will be provided.
RSVP is required.