



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 30, 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

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP¹ (*Responsively*)

Psalm 66:1-4

Blessed are all who fear the LORD,
who walk in obedience to him.

**They will eat the fruit of their labors.
Blessings and prosperity will be theirs.
All the earth worships the Lord
and sing praises to His name. Hallelujah!**

* HYMN#361 How Firm a Foundation

CALL TO CONFESSIONS:

Psalms 95:1-

Come to the Rock who saved us!
Let's march into his presence,
so that we are not overcome with evil.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (*Responsively*)

Spirit, intercede . . .

**when we fall short of your glory,
when we do not deserve your promises,
when we do not act like those who have been called your
family.**

Spirit, intercede . . .

**when our words wound,
when our silence speaks volumes,
when our actions are a far cry from what you would have
us do.**

Spirit, intercede . . .

**break forth into our lives,
forming us into the image of your Son,
that we might never feel separate from you again.
Amen (*silent Prayer*)**

¹ CTW 561A

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (*Responsibly*) *Luke 7:48-50*

"Your sins are forgiven.

Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, renewed, and sent!

*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 (*In unison*)

SCRIPTURES

FIRST READING: Genesis 29:15–28 Page 23

SECOND READING: Psalm 128 Page 499

The Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

God and Family Feuds

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMNS# 379 My Hope is Built

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 TO OFFERING & PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Mal.3:10*

Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

SENDING

*HYMNS#341 Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, equip you with all you need for doing his will. and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

**Please stand as you are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Major Repair Project

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Joint Service and Picnic: Our annual joint service will be on Sunday, August 13, 2023 at Colver Presbyterian Church with Holy Communion and there will be picnic following the service.

Bible2020 Program—Bible Study Program, Wednesdays @7pm

Food Pantry- The Mission Committee is collecting funds for our local St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry during July. Please give generously!

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday

- July 1 Bill Carlisle, Sr.
- July 7 Bennett Vaughn
- July 8 Walter Feath
- July 13 Marcus Magley
- July 16 Luke Vietmeir
- July 26 Richard “Nik” Nikolishen
- July 28 Judy Carl
- July 29 Pat Mohney
- July 30 Aric Bracken

Happy Anniversary	
July 9	Herman & Judy Carl
July 15	Tim & Kristy Forberger
July 17	Tim & Debra Shamble
July 17	Owar & Apay Ojulu

Vacation Rev. Ojulu is out of the office and will be on vacation for two weeks. He will be in the church on Sunday, August 20th. Please contact Jim Stratton or one of the church leaders with any question or concern.

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

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.

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| Jim Estep | Sharon Westrick |
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