

Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church
Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. *Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. *Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP
O God Almighty, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Grant us, we pray, to be grounded and settled in your truth by the coming down of the Holy Spirit into our hearts. That which we know not, reveal; that which is wanting in us, fill up; that which we know, confirm; and keep us blameless in your service; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
--Clement of Rome (1st Century)

Celebrating our sixteenth year of faithful living and giving!

Sunday, September 2, 2018 **15th Sunday After Pentecost**

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude Sarah Abushakra

Chiming the Hour and Lighting the Christ candle

***Hymn No. 509** *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* HOLY MANNA

Greeting
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements,
FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY VIDEO and Opening Prayer

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**
The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

***Responsive Call to Worship** Liturgist: Kathy Wechter
God has called us to be the church in the world.
We worship as our witness to the world of our commitment to God.
God feeds us with bread and wine.
God nourishes us for our ministry in the world.
Let us worship the risen Christ, who is present in this sacrament.
Let us worship Jesus the Christ, who called us to take this sacrament in memory of him.
Then let us go out to serve Christ with our actions proclaiming our faith.
Nourished by Christ we will serve him with our words and deeds!

***Hymn No. 510** *We Gather Here in Jesus' Name* COME, SHARE THE LORD

Call to Confession Liturgist: Kathy Wechter
Beloved, we are made in the divine image, and God has called us good. Yet we go our own way, causing harm to ourselves, to one another, and to the planet. Confident in the mercy of the One who made us and saved us, let us confess our sin to God and to another. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of Confession Liturgist: Kathy Wechter
God, you offer us so much sustenance. You surround us with food and friends, with joy and laughter, with shelter and health. You give, and we complain. We say there is not enough or what we have is not what we had in mind. You give, and we claim that what we have is because of our doing, our labor, our hard work. You give, and we fail to share. We seek to store up treasures for tomorrow while our neighbor go without. Forgive us. As we come to the table today, reveal yourself to us, showing us how you are with us and when we have enough. Through Christ. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon Liturgist: Kathy Wechter
Christ's body was broken so that we might be made whole. Christ's blood was shared so that we might live eternally. We remember Christ's sacrifice as we come to the table. Glory to God.
Friends hear the Good News and believe it:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

Affirmation of Faith *The Apostle's Creed*
PCUSA Book of Confessions
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only 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 hell; 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 No. 582** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Time With Young Disciples *Children's Church follows in Room 5*
The children are invited to come to the steps for the
Time With Young Disciples

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns
Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.

Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer ("debts and debtors")
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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings as Faithful Stewards
Offertory ***Come, Bring Your Burdens to God/Blessed Assurance***
Celebration Choir

***Doxology Hymn No. 609**
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, al-le-lu--ia!

***Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**
Gracious Lord, through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus our Lord you have shown us the power of giving. We now offer to you our gifts, our talents and our treasure so that we may be faithful models to others of the ministry of giving. Use our gifts so that your work in our world may be advanced through them. May this act of worship be good and acceptable in your sight. In Jesus' name. Amen.

TO WORSHIP THROUGH WORD, SACRAMENT AND WITNESS

Scripture **James 1:17-27** **NRSV**
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
Sermon ***Hearing and Helping – Word and Deed*** Tom Dendy

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn No. 511** ***Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven LLANFAIR

Invitation to the Lord's Table
Words of Institution and Prayer of Preparation
Sharing the Bread and Cup
**(Please hold bread/cup until all have been served and we will partake of communion together.)

Unison Prayer after Communion **O God, author and giver of all good things, plant in our hearts the love of your name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness as you have this day; and bring forth in us the fruits of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

***Charge and Benediction**

Hymn No. 539** ***We Will Go Out with Joy WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY

***Postlude** Sarah Abushakra
(*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)



Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University* will be offered at Celebration beginning Sunday, September 16 at 6PM.

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun Sept 2	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	Holy Communion	
Mon, Sept 3	Labor Day, offices closed	
Tues Sept 4	QUILTERS meet at the church	10:00 am
	Preschool starts	
Wed Sept 5	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thu Sept 6	LadyBug Luncheon at The Grumpy Monk	12:00 pm
Sun Sept 9	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	Called Congregational Meeting to elect Nominating Committee	
	Financial Peace University Preview	
	Stated Session Meeting	

Serving September 2
Visitor Table: Heidi Cherry **Nursery:** Nanette Kelly
Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini
Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller **Preacher:** Tom Dendy
Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar **Sound Board:** Ed Mulligan
Liturgist: Kathy Wechter
Elder of the Week: Terry Pettijohn – 843-796-3212
Ushers: Rick and Nancy Thornburgh, Jesse Wallace, Donna Woodard
Communion Elders: **Bob Miller**, Bernadine Lamar, Nancy Torcivia, Carol Butler, Barbara Barranco

Serving September 9
Visitor Table: Linda Miller **Nursery:** Vicki Simon
Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini
Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller **Preacher:** Tom Dendy
Media Shout: Katrena White **Sound Board:** Carol Butler
Liturgist: Nancy Torcivia
Elder of the Week: Nancy Resnick – 203-376-3795
Ushers: Rick and Nancy Thornburgh, Jesse Wallace, Donna Woodard

FINANCIAL UPDATE		
January-July 2018		
Total Income	\$143,188.02	
Total Expenses	\$148,776.29	
YTD Deficit	(\$5,588.27)	
5 th Sunday Offering for Property Care and Upkeep	\$2,047.00	

Our Purpose
To Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching, and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.

JOIN US AT CELEBRATION
We are Christ followers who are open, accepting, loving and welcoming to all!

Upcoming Opportunities
Tuesday, Sept 4 – Celebration Preschool starts
Thursday, Sept 6 – LadyBug Luncheon at the Grumpy Monk 12pm
Sunday, Sept 9 - Adult Bible Study begins, 9:15am
Called Congregational meeting at the close of worship to elect Nominating Committee
Stated Session Meeting
Monday, Sept 10 – Chick-fil-A Spirit Night 5:30-7:30pm
Sundays, Sept 16 - Nov 11 -- Financial Peace University, 6pm

Saturday, Sept 29 – Fall on Broadway fund raising event

SERVICE/SERMON NOTES AND REMINDERS: _____


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September 2, 2018
11:00 a.m. Worship
Celebrating our 16th year of Faithful Mission and Ministry!



OUR MISSION *is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, Prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!*