

SERVING GOD AND YOU TODAY

Liturgist	The Rev. J. William Lentz, Jr.
Preacher	The Rev. Nancy M. Ludwig
Organist	Charlie de Mets
Readers	Rachel Davies, 8:15; Chuck McClain, 11:00
Greeters	Joan Young & Jean Smith, 8:15; Nancy Neumann, 9:30; Judy Magee, 11:00
Acolytes	Allison LaRocco, 8:15; Jaryd Meehl, 11:00
Acting Head Usher	Al Zollers
Ushers	Lyn Matthews, Dick Rapson, Charlie Rumbel, 8:15 The Baldi Family, Erika Gratzinger, Dick Schroeder, 11:00
Sound Operators	Brad Beck, 8:15; Brad Beck & Kris Borcheck, 9:30; Rudy Cieri, 11:00

PASTORS AND STAFF

J. William Lentz, Jr., Senior Pastor
Nancy M. Ludwig, Associate Pastor
Lilian L. Cotto, Pastor of Latino Ministries

Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith – Director of Music	Karen Douglass – Parish Nurse
Charlie de Mets - Organist	Deborah Gwynn – Business Manager
Susan Tinney – Handbells and Children’s Choir Conductor	Diane Lendzinski – Church Secretary
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Brad Beck – Interim Youth Coordinator	Nancy Collier – Communications Mgr.

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Danielle Cole - Nursery Coordinator Samantha Ford - Nursery Assistant

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Phyllis Morocco – Director and Teacher	Kathie Beck – Assistant Director and Teacher
Joanne Tompkins – Teacher	Julie Brown - Teacher

Teacher Assistants –
Julie Brown, Jamie Enge,
Kate Kirsch, Heather Zadroga



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8:15 a.m.

Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 14, 2018

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Prayer
Charlie de Mets, Organist

Livingston

APOSTOLIC BLESSING AND WELCOME

Pastor Bill Lentz

Welcome to our service of worship. Your presence is a great joy to us. Our hope is that you'll feel welcome and that the Spirit of God will touch your soul in worship. Please sign the Covenant of Fellowship, sharing as much information as you'd like, and then pass it down the pew for others to sign.

▲ Please stand if comfortable

▲ CHIMES

▲ CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Nancy Ludwig

Pastor: Some of you come to hear a story of hope.

People: Some of us come to hear a story of courage.

Pastor: Some of you come to hear a story of liberation.

People: Some of us come to hear a story of forgiveness.

Pastor: Open your ears today to the stories of faith and life.

People: We open our hearts to a fresh hearing of the Word.

▲ HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (1,2,5,6)

No. 154

OPENING PRAYER

**Open us up, God, for all you have for us today.
Open our eyes, God, to see you reflected in every human face.
Open our hearts, God, to know your love for us, vast as the ocean.
Open our ears, God, to hear the whisper of your Spirit and the wisdom of your Word.
Open our hands, God, to your ministry, your Kinship, your power, your glory.
Open our mouths, God, let our voices sing out your praise and wonder.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

INTERLUDE *Cantique #43* Peeters

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rachel Davies & Chuck McClain

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:1-10 Pew Bible (OT), p. 247

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

PSALTER (with response) Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 No. 854

▲ ORGAN ALLELUIAS

▲ GOSPEL READING John 1:43-51 Pew Bible (NT), p. 92

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to Christ.

▲ GLORIA *Glory Be to the Father* No. 70

**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.**

SERMON

Called By God

Pastor Nancy Ludwig

The prophet Samuel and the Evangelist John each relate stories of how people were called by God to serve God’s determined purposes. The Prophet’s story is his own personal account of the drama when God—previously unknown to him—came, sought, and called him to a life of God’s purpose for him. John reports that several people were called as witnesses and followers of Jesus in a variety of ways: first was John the Baptist; then the Holy Spirit; next Andrew, and then his friend who was seeking a new inner life and wanted to see Jesus; then Andrew’s brother Simon meets Jesus; then Philip is called directly by Christ; and lastly is Nathaniel, who was brought to Christ because he had been searching for him in the Scripture. What is your call story? Does it still have power in your life?

▲ HYMN *Here I Am, Lord (1,3)* No. 593

LITANY ON HUMAN RELATIONS DAY (insert)

OFFERINGS OF GRATITUDE *I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ* J.S. Bach

▲ PROCESSION OF GRATITUDE *Doxology* No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

▲ PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

INTERLUDE *Oboe Sonata, Opus 166, Mvt. 1* Saint-Saens
Isabella Divirgilio, Oboist

CLOSING PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER No. 895

▲ HYMN *Lord, You Give the Great Commission (1,2,5)* No. 584

▲ BLESSING THE PEOPLE

POSTLUDE *Choral in A* Peeters

Human Relations Day Sunday



LITANY ON HUMAN RELATIONS DAY

Leader: Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us.

People: As we pray in this place, let your Spirit fill our hearts with joy.

Leader: As we call on your grace, let us remember our brothers and sisters who are worshiping elsewhere throughout the world.

People: Inspire each of us to work more faithfully for justice and dignity of life everywhere.

Leader: Raise our vision above the barriers of color, culture, and creed that separate us.

People: Give us wisdom as we deal with one another.

Leader: Help us to recognize and to respect different ways, rather than to judge.

People: In the spirit of Jesus who came not to be served, but to serve, we now must walk in the world, reach out our hands with help and open our hearts in love. Awaken in us the desire to seek your way of serving you in the world.

All: In Jesus' name we pray. So be it.

This summer, the generosity of our Sanctuary Choir allowed us to introduce the Youth Orchestra of Bucks County Residency Program at Lehman, enhancing our worship experience through a partnership with the Youth Orchestra of Bucks County, one of the region's premiere audition-only musical organizations, comprised of 16 ensembles for students from elementary through high school. YOBC highlights include recent tours of France and Italy (they are headed to Spain this summer), master classes with David Kim (concertmaster of the Philadelphia Orchestra and Cairn University professor), Curtis Institute students and Carol Jantsch (principal tubaist for the Philadelphia Orchestra), side-by-side performances with the Philadelphia Orchestra and concerts with American violin master Mark O'Connor and legendary bassist, trombonist, composer and performer Chris Brubeck.

Today we begin the latest phase of the program with Isabella DiVirgillio, a YOBC alumni and sophomore at the University of Delaware, where she is pursuing a degree in music education with a focus on the oboe and English Horn while playing in the university's Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra. She will play the English horn with the orchestra this summer in China. Isabella provides private instruction to aspiring young musicians and also plays the clarinet, piano and guitar and enjoys composing and arranging music in her free time. You may remember Isabella blessed us with her talents this summer, including the world premiere of her original piano composition, "Window Weather."

We will continue the residency throughout the year with these musicians playing solos as well as accompanying our choirs on select titles. Thank you for your support of this exciting program!

Ruth Kuchinsky-Smith
Director of Music