

Welcome to Saxonburg Memorial Presbyterian Church. Please take a moment to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

NOVEMBER 20, 2020

***Gathering Song**

Love the Lord

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Welcome this day to the house of our God.

People: We are greeted in peace and in love.

Leader: Welcome this day to the worship of our Creator.

People: We worship in hope and with grace.

Leader: Welcome this day to our community of faith,

People: Where we are sisters and brothers in Christ.

Leader: Friends, let us worship God.

***Song**

Your Grace is Enough

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we will be honest: this is really hard. It is really hard to wear masks, to avoid public gatherings, to spend so much time watching screens. We're losing patience and we're losing hope and we're losing our grip on faith. We're caught between the selfishness of wanting to do whatever we want without regard for others, and wanting to be helpful and generous. Please help us. Help us to lean on you and each other when things get hard and when we get depressed. Remind us every day that there is light at the end of the tunnel. Encourage our hearts, and help us to be your people, to the best of our ability in these strange days. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who is with us always. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Song** # 559 Come, Ye Thankful People Come

Children's Message/Worship

Kids preschool through 5th grade are invited downstairs for Children's Worship!

Invitation of Offering & Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

***Affirmation of Faith**

***Song** # 228 Rejoice, The Lord is King!

Scripture: Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

Message: "Purpleing"

***Song**


Mighty to Save

***Halverson Benediction**

You go nowhere by accident. Wherever you go, God is sending you, wherever you are, God has put you there; He has a purpose in your being there. Christ who indwells you has something He wants to do through you where you are. Believe this and go in His grace and love and power.

Postlude

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD—Today is the last day for drop off. Thank you for participating in this wonderful ministry in providing Christmas gifts to children.
 - Christmas Cantata WILL happen on Dec 12 & 13. We'll need some help with greeting visitors, decorating, setup, and teardown. Let us know if you can help! Show times are Sat. Dec. 12 @ 7 pm and Sunday, Dec. 13 @ 4 pm. As always, This wonderful event is free to attend, however you need to reserve a seat in advance. Attendees will be asked to wear a mask, at least until socially distanced in a seat. **Please register through our website at www.saxonburg.org/christmas or call the church office at (724) 352-2888.**
 - Want to get more involved here at SMPC? We need you! Here are a couple opportunities to get connected. We need volunteers for the night of the Christmas Cruise (better known as Light up Night) on November 27th and December 12th and 13th for the Christmas Cantata. Please see Pastor Doug, Dan or call the office if you can help!
 - Coffee Talk—Sat. Nov. 28 @ 9 am @ Chris Heckathorne's home. Lois Myers is our guest speaker. Feel free to bring a breakfast item to share. Can't wait to see you!
 - Women Dine Out—Monday, Nov. 30 @ 6pm in Fellowship Hall. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Bring a snack to share. Any questions call Linda McDonald at 724 352 -1781
 - Christmas poinsettias order forms are on the round table. Flowers are \$7.00 each and orders are due Dec. 6.
 - 2020 Christmas Cruise sponsored by the "Cabot Cruisers" is Friday Nov. 27 beginning at 6 pm at the Carnival grounds and ending on Main St. Look for the SMPC bus along the cruise route!
 - We invite you to worship Christmas Eve at our 5:00 pm and 7:30 pm services.