

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

September 24, 2017

10:30 a.m.

**GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

Organ Prelude

Welcome & Words about The Life and Work of the Church

\* A Time of Greeting

Steeple Bell

Choral Introit

**Call to Worship**

Come, let's praise God together!

**For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

Let's tell stories of God's power and majesty,

God's mighty acts throughout history:

**For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

Let's remember God's compassion toward us;

God's mercy and unfailing love, generation after generation:

**For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

**Let's worship God together!**

**\*Hymn #19**      “God of Great and God of Small”

Call to Confession

**Prayer of Confession**

**God of abundant goodness, we confess that we want your grace for ourselves, but too often we wish for punishment and exclusion for others. We greedily hold on to our hatreds. We judge the efforts and motives of others while ignoring the faults of our own.**

**Forgive us, when we feel slighted by you.**

**Forgive us, when we are petty even in the presence of your generosity.**

**Forgive us, when we are reluctant to see your image in everyone.**

**Teach us to love our enemies,**

**that our lives may proclaim your truth—**

**that love is stronger than hate, and mercy is greater than vengeance.**

**In your mercy, hear our prayers.....**

(silent prayers)

Assurance of Pardon

**\*Response #31 v.1**

**Let us with a gladsome mind praise the Lord who is so kind:**

**For God’s mercies shall endure,**

**Ever faithful, ever sure.**

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "Praise Canon" Michael Sharp

Accompanied by piano and hand bells

*Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love endures forever.*

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*Who can count His joyous blessings?*

*Who can understand His love and grace?*

*Who can tell of His wondrous deeds?*

*Who can fully declare His praise?*

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### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Gracious God. Quiet our hearts and minds so that we may truly listen as your Word is read and proclaimed this day. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson          Psalm 145:1-8          Page: OT 581

### A Scripture Conversation

Scripture Lesson          Jonah 3:10-4:11          Page: OT 861

Sermon          "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree"          Shannon Hanson

\* **Hymn #436**          "God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us"

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

### Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory:

\*Presentation

**\*Doxology (#606)**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**God of abundant mercy, accept these gifts and offerings, doing what you choose with what already belongs to you. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.**

### Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

**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.**

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

**\*Hymn #761** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

\*Charge and Benediction

Choral Benediction

Steeple Bell

Organ Postlude

*You may recycle your bulletins in the basket at the back of the Meeting House.*

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**Thank you for serving today:**

Worship leader: Gail Seitz

Ushers: Mark Rappold & Ringo Keka

Counters: Carol Mayhew

Nursery: Heather Raezer & Melissa Boris

Sunday School: Bev Stoudt

Fellowship Hour: C.J. Seitz & Peter McCurdy

The flowers today are given by *Carl Witt*

**In Memory of Annabelle Witt**

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

*Edna A. Deakyne*

*1894-1969*

*Roger T. Shoop*

*1949-1990*



### **Don't Come to Church without your Clothes!**

Remember, September is our annual clothing drive for the Clothing Bank of Delaware. Special needs are for underwear for children and adults, and 2x+ clothing for men and women. All other clothes welcome, as well as linens, bedding and leather goods (shoes, belts, etc.). Bagged donations should go to Room 204 in the CE Bldg. Thank you!

### **Peace & Global Witness Offering - Sunday Oct 1**

This PC(USA) peace offering is received on World Communion Sunday each year. This year, Session has designated 2 recipients for our 25% of the offering: Doctors without Borders and the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Hurricane Harvey Response. Please give generously, so we can make a difference in the lives of those desperate for help.

### **Seamen's Center**

To learn more about the mission of the Seamen's Center of Wilmington, visit their website at [www.scwde.org](http://www.scwde.org). And plan to join in the "Ditty Bag" assembly on Sunday, November 19 after church, as we pack up gifts for the seafarers for the holiday season.

### **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**

For updates on the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance responses and needs for both Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, go to <http://pda.pcusa.org/>. The needs are great, and will last long beyond the headlines.

### **Jenny Warren on Vacation September 20-October 1**

Jenny will be away September 20- October 1 on a belated 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Plans are in place for worship leadership Sept 24 (Shannon Hanson) and Oct 1 (Rev. Nona Holy). Rev. Brad Martin will be on call for any pastoral care emergencies that arise. Contact Deacons Miranda Matthews (838-2764), or Conchita Showell (832-9226) or Kris in the church office (328-3279).

### **Crafting for Spirit of Christmas**

A craft/sewing workshop is planned for October 15 following fellowship hour. No special talents required. We need lots of helpers to cut, sew, iron etc. on some projects for the craft table at the Spirit of Christmas. This year we will work together making children's fleece hats and scarves. All supplies are provided. As always, we encourage everyone to share ideas and to contribute handmade crafts, knitted and crocheted articles, etc., to sell. If you have any questions please call Ellie Gerhart (753-9632).

## Welcome!

Joining us this morning is Shannon Hanson. Shannon is a Candidate for ministry in New Castle Presbytery. In 2016, she graduated from Palmer Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. Shannon and her husband, John, have two sons, Jack (18) and Ben (22). By day, Shannon works as a federal prosecutor in Wilmington.

### **Prayer List:**

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 [suzieflook@hotmail.com](mailto:suzieflook@hotmail.com) or Fran Gingher, silverfran@aol.com

### ***Continuing Care Homes:***

#### ***Vic Clark***

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Henderson, NV 89012  
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#### ***Barbara Beaumont***

The Watermark at Logan Sq  
Rehabilitation Center  
2 Franklin Town Blvd.  
Philadelphia, PA 19103  
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#### ***Dot Campbell***

The Summit  
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Hockessin, DE 19707  
(302) 635-2059

#### ***William Wilson***

Brandywine Nursing Ctr.  
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Wilmington, DE 19808

### ***At Home:***

#### ***Esther Lindell***

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#### ***Barbara Quillen***

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#### ***Mary Pratt***

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**This Week's Schedule**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9/24</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Worship &amp; Sunday School Shannon Hanson - Preaching</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Fellowship Hour - All are Welcome!</b>
		<b>11:40am</b>	<b>Resource Development Mtg</b>
		<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Colonial Chimers</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>9/25</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9/27</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Choir</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9/28</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Celebration Ringers</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9/30</b>	<b>8-9am</b>	<b>Tai Chi</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>10/1</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Worship – Lord's Supper &amp; Sunday School Nona Holy - Preaching</b>
		<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Fellowship Hour - All are Welcome!</b>

Kris will be on vacation Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

Rev Jenny will be on vacation through October 1<sup>st</sup>.