

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Your grace is a lamp to my feet:
lighting my way through the shadows my sin casts;

I was baptized and affirm those promises:
to honor your tenderness;

I struggle with my soul's pain:
so fill me with life, Tender Heart,
for you will compassion;

I lift my songs of joy to you, Hope's Home:
opening my spirit to your generosity;

Holding my life in my trembling hands, I remember:
you cradle me in your love;

The world tries to seduce me from your kingdom,
but I stick close to your kindness;

Your goodness and mercy were my gifts at birth:
they continually fill my soul;

I lean my heart towards yours,
that I might live your grace through all eternity.

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10:00 AM

Welcome
Visitors!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us.

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK

found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning.

PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/

CONCERNS on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the service, and added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR

CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY SERMON

TAPES are available by contacting the church office.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her cell (419-215-2939).



Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand."



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign fellowship book found in pews.

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

SILENT REFLECTION

You created the earth and planted it freely, bringing forth an abundant harvest of life. Through Moses and the prophets, you gave us your Word to be the birthright of all your children. Therefore, with our hearts lifted high, we offer you thanks and praise at all times through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison)

Barb Roadruck, Liturgist

Wonderful God— you who sent the rain to fall on the righteous and the unrighteous and make the sun to rise upon the just and the unjust—we give you thanks and praise for the abundance of your love. Refresh us today with your Spirit. Pour out upon us your grace and your truth and help us to receive it with joy and to heed your instruction and obey your commandments so that in us and through us there may be an abundant harvest. May your Word live and grow in us and bear much fruit—even as we praise your everlasting name through Christ Jesus your Son and our Lord, our brother, and our friend. Amen.

HYMN # 460

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

General Assembly News ~ Our General Assembly Commissioners, Youth Advisory Delegate, and Hilary Shuford, General Presbyter will be presenting their initial reports from the General Assembly. This meeting will take place Sunday, July 20th from 4:00-6:00pm at Christ Presbyterian Church, 4225 West Sylvania Ave., Toledo, Ohio. They will be ready to share joys and concerns from their week in California, and to address any questions you have. They are still hard at work so please continue to hold them in your prayers. If you plan to come on the 20th let Darlene know in the church office by Friday, July 18th. Thank you.

Special Announcements

Food Pantry ~ For the month of July & August your donations would be greatly appreciated. Please bring any or all of the following items for the Food Pantry: peanut butter, canned soups, canned fruit, canned stews, macaroni & cheese, cheese slices, hot dogs, eggs, toilet paper, kleenex, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, bar soap, dish soap, and laundry detergent.

Communion Table Flowers ~ If anyone would be interested in having flowers placed on the Communion table on Sunday's to celebrate an occasion or maybe in loving memory of a loved one who has passed away, please feel free to contact Darlene in the church office and she will be more than glad to order the floral arrangement through our Florist at a cost of \$25.

Summer Study Series ~ "Do What You Have The Power To Do!" We will meet on the following dates from 11:15-12:15pm in the church lounge :

Sunday, July 20 ~ The Power of Persistent Faith: Matthew 15: 21-28

Sunday, July 27 ~ The Power of Touch: Mark 5: 25-34

Sunday, August 17 ~ The Power of New Beginnings: John 7: 53-8:11

Sunday, August 24 ~ The Power of Witnessing: John 4: 1-30, 39-42

Camp Rejoice ~ Those attending Camp Rejoice will be gone from Saturday, July 12 through and returning on Saturday, July 19th.

All Church Picnic ~ There is a sign up sheet and directions located on the Welcome Center for our Annual All Church Picnic held at Wildwood Metropark Whitetail Shelter House on Sunday, August 3rd right after the service. We ask that you bring a dish to pass, as there will be no grilling or cooking at the park. Beverages and table service will be provided.

Alpha Omega Bible Study ~ In the Fall we will be studying out of the book, entitled "Jubilee! Luke's Gospel for the Poor". If you are interested in obtaining one of these books, please call Darlene in the church office between the hours of 8:30-2pm Monday through Friday. The cost of the book is \$6 plus shipping and handling, but we ask that you not pay anything at this time, as you will be notified at a later date of the final cost. The cut off date to place your order is Friday, August 29th.

CALL TO CONFESSION (Unison)

Loving God, Sower and Reaper of grace, we admit to you that we are like stony fields, capable of growing goodness and sharing it around, but also prone to allow goodness to wither and weeds to flourish. We are not half as smart as we pretend we are. We are rarely as loving as we want to be. Your mercy has taken root in us but we do not share enough of it. Your justice has inspired us but we have inadequately implemented it. Your truth has shone on us but we have hidden it under a false modesty. Your inclusive love has brought us together but we indulge the things that separate us. Forgive us, O loving God and prepare the soil of our soul. Sow your everlasting word in us that You may reap the harvest you intend for our lives.

***SILENT CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

"The Gloria Patri" (#579)

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Barb Roadruck

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Psalms 119: 105-112

Barb Roadruck, Liturgist
pg. 962(OT) in the pew Bible

SPECIAL MUSIC

SECOND READING

Genesis 25: 19-34

pg. 38(OT) in the pew Bible

THIRD READING

Romans 8: 1-11

pg. 1756(NT) in the pew Bible

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

pg. 1516(NT) in the pew Bible

SERMON

"There's no John Deere in heaven!"

Mike Roadruck

OUR RESPONSE

***HYMN #356**

"Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD OFFERING

Barb Roadruck

***DOXOLOGY #592**

Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Barb Roadruck

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN #538**

"Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"

***CHARGE & BENECTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE— "Sanctuary" (sing twice)**

Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With Thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you.

POSTLUDE

Shannon Smith

Next Week ~ 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Texts: Genesis 28: 10-19a; Psalm 139: 1-12, 23-24; Romans 8: 12-25;
Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

Calendar for the Week of July 14-20, 2008

Monday, July 14 ~
Wednesday, July 16 ~
Thursday, July 17 ~
Friday, July 18 ~
Sunday, July 20 ~

Seagate Foundation working on outside foundation
Building and Grounds Meeting 7pm in lounge
Caring Cupboard Carry out 4:30pm
Food Pantry 10-12pm
Worship Service 10:00am; Communion, Great Banquet
Ice Cream Social 6pm on the lawn

Nursery Room (birth – 4 yrs. old).....Rm.105

Join us for Coffee Hour after worship in the Commons.

Information for the Newsletter should be received by Sunday, August 17, 2008.

Visit **THE CARD TABLE** in the narthex to sign or request cards to remember members of the Fairgreen family.

Are you in need of prayer? The **FAIRGREEN PRAYER CHAIN** is here for you. Call Leone Sattler at 419-474-1723 or Darlene in the church office at 419-475-4436 or indicate that you have a request for the Prayer Chain on your Prayer card.

Number who worshiped with us on July, 2008: 63

TODAY'S USHERS: Kay Amendola, Capt./ Ed Wolff, Betty Geniac, Kim Jensen
TODAY'S GREETERS: Chris Roebuck & Agnes McKinstry
NEXT SUNDAY'S USHERS: Fred King, Capt./ Bev King, Linda Hoover, Betty Geniac
NEXT SUNDAY'S GREETERS: Maude Pearson & Leta Fulkerson
NEXT SUNDAY'S LITURGIST: Web Cole