

**Our Celebration of Worship**  
**August 22, 2010**

**Church School: 9:00 a.m.**

**Worship Time: 10:00 a.m.**

**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

(Take time to prepare your heart to worship God.)

PRELUDE "O Christ the Healer, We Have Come" I., II.  
"Land of Rest"

arr. Powell  
arr. Hustad

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY  
MUSIC INTERLUDE

**TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD**

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise the Lord! Extol God, all you peoples!

**All: Great is God's steadfast love toward us.**

One: The faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

**All: Let us worship God who alone is worthy of our praise!**

\* HYMN 461 "God Is Here!"

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, we come here this morning with happy faces, but inside we are twisted and bent by the things we hide behind our smiles. We have turned away from those in need, put down our friends, we've made material things our priority, and we have forgotten you. Lord, take away these burdens that weigh us down. Renew us by your strength so that we may act in a way that is more like the way that you would have us live. Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

*(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)*

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: Praise the Lord. Amen.**

\* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal Page 579)

**TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Chuck Cain

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

FIRST LESSON

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 71:1-6 (OT Page 532)

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER (forgive us our debts...)

**TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED**

SPECIAL MUSIC "My Heart, Your Home" Tara Frank, Soloist

Nockels

SECOND LESSON

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Luke 13:10-17 (NT Page 76)

SERMON

"Good News, Bad News"

Rev. Heather McLaughlin Sigler

HYMN OF REFLECTION 466 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

**TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (see insert)

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Sweet Rivers of Redeeming Love"

arr. Hustad

\* DOXOLOGY

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION



**TO GO REJOICING IN GOD'S NAME**

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 420 "God of Grace and God of Glory"  
BENEDICTION  
POSTLUDE "Postlude on 'Almighty God of Majesty'"

Peeters

\* Those who are able may stand.

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**THE LECTOR** this morning is Elder Jan Watt.

**WE WELCOME VISITORS** to our worship today. We are happy to have you worship with us and hope you will return often. If you are interested in membership at Paxton Church, please indicate this when the friendship folder is passed or speak to the Pastor or Lector following worship.

**THE USHERS** joyfully serving for the month of August: Arden Hoopes, Captain; David Holt, Jeanne Hoopes, Donald Hoopes, Hendrik Jongsma, Penny Moore, Paul Remaly, Ronald Wix.

**THE FLORAL ARRANGEMENT** in the chancel this morning is placed in loving memory of Betty and William Holt, by Dave and Sally Holt.

**TODAY** Reverend Sigler will greet at the south door. The Lector will greet at the porch door. An usher will greet at the parlor door.

**PLEASE SIGN** the red "friendship folders" at the end of your row to mark your attendance with us!

**WE WELCOME** Reverend Heather McLaughlin Sigler to our pulpit this morning. After serving 7½ years as Associate for Congregational Service in the office of Carlisle Presbytery, Heather retired in June 2009 and now serves as Parish Associate at Pine Street Presbyterian.

**NEXT SUNDAY** at 9:45 will be our final hymn sing of the summer entitled "Sunday School Favorites".

*Next Sunday, Paxton's Stephen Ministry will commission two additional Stephen Leaders, Jane Rising and Jane Sanford. Jane and Jane completed a week of specialized training in Pittsburgh in early August and now join Paxton's Stephen Leader team to share in the key responsibilities of maintaining and growing this ministry of Christian care-giving.*

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~ ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES ~

*Pastor Green will be on vacation during the month of August. Please call the church office at 561-0510 if you have any pastoral needs.*

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**Worship Readiness** is ready to begin! If you are interested in learning how to be a greeter and/or storyteller, please contact Jo Jacoby. There is a sign-up sheet outside the office door. It's fun and educational! Plus, we need YOU!

**Volunteer Teachers and Youth Fellowship mark your calendars!**

We will have a Potluck Dinner on Wednesday, August 25, at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish to share. We will go over the church calendar for the first half of the program year.

**ALL church school** and Worship Readiness classes begin on Sunday, September 12, at 9 a.m. Please arrive early to register your child for classes in Fellowship Hall. A simple breakfast will be available for all children from 8:45 to 9 a.m.

**Blessing of the Book Bags** will take place on Sunday, September 12, during the worship hour. Bring your favorite used or new book bag.

**Bibles** will be presented to all third graders during the worship service on September 26<sup>th</sup>. If your child will be present and you would like them to receive a Bible, please contact Jo Jacoby in the office.

**The Nursery needs your help...** don't forget to sign up or contact Tara Frank to offer your help.

**Youth Serving at Downtown Daily Bread**

The youth of Paxton Church will be joyfully serving at the Downtown Daily Bread on Thursday, August 19 from 12:00 noon—2:00 p.m. Call Linette Burd at 558-8991 to reserve your spot now!!!

**Annual Church Picnic**

The annual church picnic will be held on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, immediately following church in the Paxtang Boro picnic pavilion up the hill from the church. Families with the last name starting with A-L are asked to bring a covered dish, and last names starting with M-Z are asked to bring a dessert. If you are unable to bring something, come anyway and have a great lunch with your church family. There is always plenty to eat. BBQ, hotdogs, rolls, condiments, chips, pretzels, drinks and paper products will be provided by the Deacons.



*Don't forget to stop and get your Giant Food Store gift card after worship today!*

*The profit from the gift card sales is applied to the principal of our church loan.*

*Thank You from Presbyterian Women*

**Prayer Square – August 22-29**



**As Christians we are called to pray for everyone in a difficult time of life. To protect the privacy of those for whom we are praying we ask that permission be received before a name is placed for prayer request. We will keep the names in the Prayer Square for two weeks. If you would like them to be included longer, please call the church office or submit another request card.**

For "Prayer Square" names, please see the printed version of the bulletin available at church.

Each week we will be praying for our brothers and sisters in Christ within our Presbytery. This week we are praying for the Mechanicsburg Presbyterian Church.

**LEND A HAND FALL SCHEDULE**