

Our Celebration of Worship
August 29, 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.)

HYMN SING
WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY
MUSIC INTERLUDE

TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus taught us that when we give a banquet, we should invite the poor,
the crippled, the lame and the blind.

**All: Here we are Lord. In more ways than one, we are poor, crippled, lame
and blind.**

* HYMN "Holy Ground" (see insert)

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Oh God, in Jesus Christ you call us to follow, to walk in your ways and to seek
your truth. Jesus keeps calling; but we keep turning away. Still, Jesus calls to
us, in spite of our sin. Help us to hear him. Forgive our sins and draw us ever
closer. Amen.**

(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Jesus humbled himself, giving his life on the cross, so that everyone, even you
and me, would be welcome in God's kingdom. Friends, hear the good news!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal Page 579)

TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Happy Barber

* 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.

Psalm 81:1,10-16 (OT Page 541)

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

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Gift of Love" Rebecca DelGrande, Soloist arr. Hopson

SECOND LESSON

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 14:1, 7-14 (NT Page 77)

SERMON

"Where Do I Sit?"

Shirley Rudd

HYMN OF REFLECTION "So I Send You" (Tune: "For All the Saints")

1. So I send you—my sisters, brothers—one:
My spirit give you, peace and vict'ry won,
My name to praise, my work to carry on.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. So I send you—as I was sent to all:
By name the Shepherd ev'ry sheep does call,
Bind up the broken, lift up those who fall.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. So I send you—your weakness now made strong,
My presence with you, grace your daily song.
Free all the captives, bound in sin so long.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. So I send you—to care and serve and lead.
Lift high the cross for all to see and heed.
Point them to Jesus' help in ev'ry need.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

5. So I send you—to churches coast to coast,
Serving God's people, earthly, heav'nly host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Holy Ground

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WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sun 29	9:45	Hymn Sing
	10:00	Worship
	11:00	Lemonade on the Lawn
Wed 1	6:45	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
	9:00	Paxton Nursery School Staff Mtg.
	6:00	Congregation Life Ministry Mtg.
	7:00	Worship & Music Ministry Meeting
Sun 5	9:00	Church School
	10:00	Worship
	11:00	Lemonade on the Lawn
Mon 6		Labor Day—Church Office Closed

ADULT CHURCH SCHOOL

Kirkers - Today	- "Upheld by God"
Scripture	- Acts 28:16-25a, 28-31
Leader	- Dick Hillman
Next Week	- "God's Revelation to Moses"
Scripture	- Exodus 3:1-6, 13-15
Leader	- Lorna Baer

TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN LEADERS

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle's Creed, Hymnal Front, Traditional, Page 14)

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Lamb of God" Rebecca DelGrande, Soloist Paris

* DOXOLOGY

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO REJOICING IN GOD'S NAME

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 525 "Here I Am, Lord"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Fanfare on 'Take My Life and Let It Be'" Wilson

* Those who are able may stand.

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THE LECTOR this morning is Elder Nancy Lengler.

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 Elizabeth Koch, by her husband, Robert and daughter, Leslie.

THE HYMNS today are from the service for the Commissioning of Stephen Leaders.

TODAY Shirley Rudd 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 Shirley Rudd to our pulpit this morning. Most of you know that Shirley was our Director of Christian Education for 4½ years. She recently retired and lives in Palmyra with her husband, David.

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~ ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES ~

This morning, Paxton's Stephen Ministry commissions two additional Stephen Leaders, Jane Rising and Jane Sanford, who have completed specialized training and now join our Stephen Leader team to share in the tasks of maintaining and growing this program of Christ-centered care-giving. We welcome Jane and Jane to their new positions and request the prayers of the congregation for them and for all involved in Stephen Ministry, as care-givers and care-receivers.

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!

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 26th. 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.

Annual Church Picnic

The annual church picnic will be held on Sunday, September 13th, 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.

THE GROVE COMMITTEE

The Memorial/Honor Tree Plaques have arrived! If you donated a tree, please see Norm Daniels in the Gathering Room after the service to verify the information on your plaque.

Grove Trees Dedication on September 19th. The theme of the September 19th service will be the dedication of trees donated through the Memorial/Honor Tree Project. Please plan to join us.



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 29—September 5



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 Silver Spring Presbyterian Church in Mechanicsburg.

LEND A HAND FALL SCHEDULE