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Preacher: The Rev. John Ward-Diorio  
Lector: Paula Boyer

**Ministry of Music**  
Organist: Sarah Myers  
Minister of Music: Eric Dundore

**Ministry of Service**  
Head Usher: Dick Bensel  
Ushers: Merikay and Don Wood  
Paula and Allyssa Boyer  
Greeters: Karen and Kevin Allison  
Acolyte: Kevin Rudisill  
Children's Sermon: Rev. John  
Flower Delivery: Donna and Don Sponsler

*“St. Paul’s UCC aims to be a fully accessible congregation. Folks having an issue related to accessibility in the church building or a church program should contact the church office or contact a head usher on Sunday mornings.”*

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# Welcome to St. Paul’s United Church of Christ

*An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

June 20, 2010



## *Water &* **the Holy Spirit** **Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

**GOD IS STILL SPEAKING**

No Matter Who You Are, or Where You Are on Life’s Journey You  
are Welcome Here!



ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
SERVICE OF WORSHIP

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 20, 2010

THE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS  
THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES  
THE PRELUDE AND LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

Organ "Father, We Thank Thee" Calkins

CALL TO WORSHIP (Call and Response): From Psalm 43

\*THE HYMN NO 394 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

**All Powerful and Mysterious God, we are grateful that You can enter our lives and transform us in grand, visible ways and in subtle, quiet ways. Help us to be open to Your offers to free ourselves of those things which have held us back from living the lives You intend for us. Amen.**

THE CALL TO CONFESSION:

There are times when we prefer to remain "chained-up" rather than risk something new, something unknown. There are times we would rather allow our "demons" to control us than to risk getting rid of them and seeking God's guidance instead. Let us join in the unison Prayer of Invocation.

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION(Unison)

**Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done, and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to You. Forgive us, for our Savior Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of Your Name. Amen.**

THE SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**PFLAG of Central PA is sponsoring a Community Night Fundraiser on Wednesday, June 23 from 5 – 9 PM at the Isaac's Restaurant at Silver Springs Commons, Mechanicsburg. Isaac's will donate 25% of your meal to assist PFLAG in supporting Parents, Families and Friends of the GLBT community. Bring family, friends and co-workers, order your meals, and **present the flyer that can be found on the table in the common area.** Thank you for supporting PFLAG.**

**SENATORS BASEBALL & WATER GOLF OUTING** – Come join the Youth Group on **Saturday, August 7th, 2010** for an afternoon at City Island! We will meet at Water Golf at 3:30 PM to play a round of miniature golf. The picnic dinner starts at 6 PM in the "Left Field Batters Eye" location. The picnic menu includes BBQ chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, corn on the cob, potato salad, popcorn, chips, cookies and soda. Game time is 7 PM and the opponent is the Altoona Curve. Price for the mini golf depends on how many people sign up to play golf and is a separate charge from the baseball game. Price for dinner and the game is \$22.00 for adults 13 and up, \$ 11.00 for youth fellowship members and \$6.00 for children 12 and under. **You do not need to sign up for both events, come for just the golfing or just the picnic and game, it will be fun. Please sign up (see sheet on the bulletin board in the Common) and pay Martha Brown by Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.** Any questions email Martha Brown at [vbrown5325@aol.com](mailto:vbrown5325@aol.com) or call 697-3522. **Everyone is invited to attend!** Hope to see you there!



**YARD SALE - Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 2 PM on the front lawn @ Thornwald Home, 442 Walnut Bottom Rd, Carlisle.** Reserve a table space for just \$7 to sell your attic & basement finds OR donate baked goods & attic/basement treasures for the residents to sell at the Thornwald Home table. To purchase a table or for more information please contact: Lifestyle Services Dept at 249-4118 or email [nbrown@th.ucc-homes.org](mailto:nbrown@th.ucc-homes.org). Spaces are limited. All proceeds go to benefit Thornwald Home resident activities.

References:

The Prayer of Confession is from A New Zealand Prayer Book, The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, 1997, HarperSan Francisco.

The Prayer of Blessing is by Janet Bristow, 2008, [www.shawlministry.com](http://www.shawlministry.com).

The Prayer of Dedication is from Gathered By Love, by Lavon Bayler, 1994, United Church Press.

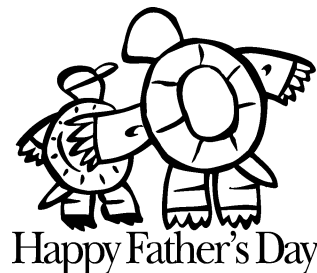
“The World Peace Prayer” is a paraphrase of a verse from the Upanishads, the most ancient scriptures of Hinduism, and is also prayed daily by Roman Catholic Benedictine Sisters.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by  
Al Huebner “In Memory of Jane”  
Phyllis Hershey “In Loving Memory of Harry Hershey”

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF June 20 – June 27, 2010**

- TODAY 9:00 am** Worship Service / Blessing of the Prayer Shawls/  
Baptism of Molly Ryan Hockenberry
- MON** EPISTLE DEADLINE
- TUES** 1:00 pm Pollyanna’s @ Jean Mogel’s Home  
5:30 pm TOPS (Rm 13)
- WED** PFLAG Community Fundraiser Event @ Isaac’s Restaurant
- THUR** 7:00 pm Summer Reading Program (Parlor)
- FRI** Church Office Closed
- SAT** 9:00 am Yard Sale @ Thornwald Home
- Sunday** 9:00 am Worship Service



Words of Assurance (Responsive):

Minister: God receives our apologies and repentance, and has assured us that our sins are forgiven.

All: **Let us receive and pursue the new lives, which Jesus showed were possible for all of us. Amen.**

\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*THE GLORIA PATRI

**Prayer of Blessing (Unison):**

**May God’s grace be upon these shawls...warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May these mantles be safe havens... sacred places of security and well-being...sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones. May the ones who receive these shawls be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love. Blessed Be!**

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SING THE CHILDREN TO THE FRONT     Jesus Loves the Little Children  
 Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world  
 Red and yellow, black and white  
 They are precious in his sight  
 Jesus loves the little children of the world.

**The Sacrament of Holy Baptism**



Presentation of the Water

Gathering of Witnesses

Baptismal Address

Questions for the Candidates’ Parents

Congregational Assent: (unison)

**We, as members of St. Paul's United Church of Christ and the Church Universal, hear your promises with joy and gladly welcome you as sisters and brothers in Christ into the family of faith. We covenant with you to share in the hopes, labors and joys of the Christian life, supported by God's love through this congregation.**

**We will weep with you when you weep, rejoice with you in your rejoicing, and encourage your growth in the new life Christ gives. These things we promise in the name and spirit of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.**

Prayer of Blessing

Act of Baptism

Prayer for the Baptized

Procession

Let us offer a special welcome on her Baptism Day to Molly Ryan Hockenberry and her Parents Amy and Ryan Hockenberry and her Grandparents Cathy and Ralph Kiner.

SING THE CHILDREN TO THEIR SEATS NO. 325

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

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THE EPISTLE READING

Galatians 3:25-29

THE READING OF THE PSALM

Psalm 42

THE RESPONSE

One: God is still speaking.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

THE GOSPEL READING AND MESSAGE

Luke 8:26-39

“God's Power to Set Us Free”

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

**(Debts and Debtors)**

THE CHORAL RESPONSE (unison)

**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**

THE OFFERTORY

Hand Chimes “Shout to the Lord”

Zschech

\*THE DOXOLOGY (#780)

\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**God of all times and places, may our offerings reflect confidence, not cowardice; altruism, not egotism; inclusiveness, not exclusiveness. We devote them to bringing all humanity into harmony with Your purposes. May the programs we undertake build up the body of Christ among us and far beyond us. Amen.**

\*THE HYMN NO 596 “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

\*THE BIDDING TO MISSION

\*The World Peace Prayer:

One: Lead us, O God.

**All: Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth.**

**Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust.**

**Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace.**

**Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe. Amen.**

\*THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE “I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

Kendall

\*Those who are comfortable doing so are invited to stand. We welcome warmly all who are visiting with us. Please register your attendance on the Friendship Form so that others may greet you in the name of the Living Christ. The person at the end of the pew should place the finished sheet in the offering plate.

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Ralph Kiner  
Dave Leber  
Elaine McCracken  
Mary Louise Miller  
Ally, Erin, Joan and Ernie Moyer  
Jean Myers  
Jack Rhoads  
Rhoda Rupp  
John Scott  
Peg and Don Seiler  
Tommy, America & Cynthia Stone  
Leah van Olden  
Angie Young and Family

All the People affected by the Earthquakes; All the People and the Environment affected by the oil spill in the Gulf Coast, All the People in the Middle East struggling for peace; All the people in the military and their families; All the people who have lost jobs and their families.

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