

First Presbyterian Church
Moundsville, West Virginia
The Order of Worship

Mission Statement

This Presbyterian family of believers exists to proclaim Christ through Worship, Evangelism, Loving Fellowship and Service

April 28, 2024

10:45 A.M.

*Indicates for those who are able—to please stand

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Praise Song The Lord is God

Call to Worship

L: Let us draw closer to the Lord Who is our only true source of life.

P: For we are the branches that grow from God's Vine.

L: The Lord is the source for all that is truly good,

P: And we are the branches, called upon to bear God's good fruit.

L: Let us give praise then, to the living Lord with all that we are!

All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

*Hymn For the Beauty of the Earth (vs. 1,4,&5) # 2

Offertory/Doxology/Prayer of Dedication

*Prayer of Confession

Lord, we are slow to admit that too often we have been unfruitful branches of Your Vine. Too often we have forgotten the love and mercy we receive from You. Too often we have failed to share Your love with the world. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to accept Your loving pruning that we might bring forth much good and wonderful fruit for You. (Silent Prayer of Confession) In Christ we pray. Amen

*Assurance of Pardon/Gloria Patri # 546

First Reading John 15:1-8

Hymn What a Friend We Have in Jesus # 385

Joys and Concerns of the People

Prayers of the People/the Lord's Prayer

Second Reading Psalm 23

Message “The Shepherd's Psalm: Part Two” Rev. Alan Jeffries

*Affirmation of Faith (Apostles Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to the dead; the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn The Lord's My Shepherd (1st tune) # 104

*Benediction/Postlude Let There Be Peace on Earth

Welcome to all visitors! We're glad you chose to share in the worship of our Lord with us. Please make yourself known to the Minister, sign our guest book in the Narthex and most important, come again.

Attendance (4-21-24) Worship – 31

Prayer cards received this week for: Barbara Blazer, Jane Lipphardt, Barbara Long, Lucille Strawn, Earnest Emery, John Kerns, Mary Gardner, Sharon &

Carl Quinn, Gary Lough, Linda Lough, Dick Border, Anita Rae Miller, Greg Miller, Phyllis Estep, Mickey Bostic, John Wagner, Whitlee, Dave Schoenian, Miranda Lynch, Dave Blazer, Rosalyn Rhodes, anyone dealing with mental issues, Jim Cochran, Tracy Snappi (brain surgery), Hannah Woods, Linda Clark, John Wagner, family of Karen Rich Eisenhauer; family of Anna May Holiday

Activities on calendar this week:

Sunday Endowment meeting following worship
Monday 1:00 Bible Study
Thursday 12:00-National Day of Prayer Service at Marshall County Courthouse

The Deacons serving during the month of May are Karen Karpel, Karen Ealy, and Dave Blazer.

Correction: Commemorating 100th Anniversary of Benwood Mine Disaster in Prayer

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston invites the public to a special prayer service at 4pm, Sunday, April 28, at Mt Calvary Cemetery, 1685 National Road, Wheeling, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Benwood mine disaster.

The event will honor the lives of 119 men and boys, who lost their lives as a result of two explosions within the Wheeling Steel Coal Mine in Benwood on April 28, 1924.

While the miners were from the surrounding communities on both side of the Ohio River, the majority were immigrants from Poland, Greece, Italy, Hungary, Russia, Serbia, Croatia, Lithuania, and Ukraine. Notably many were also Catholic, belonging to St. John Parish in Benwood and St. Ladislaus in South Wheeling. (continued on next page)

The memorial on April 28th this year will take place at the site at Mt. Calvary, where the largest mass burial in Wheeling ever took place. In all 72 miners are buried at the Catholic cemetery. There are 65 buried at the Mass grave, where the gravesite service was conducted in three languages. Seven other miners were buried in other areas, including three Hungarian immigrant friends, whose families chose to have them buried together. Their names were Istvan Vargo, Ignac Orban, and Sandor Horvath.

Victims of the disaster including those miners who were burned beyond recognition were buried in a mass grave at Greenwood Cemetery across the street.

Opus will hold their annual “Spring Concert” at the First Christian Church next Sunday, May 5 at 2:00p.m.

It is asked that when filling out prayer request cards, please PRINT (no cursive) names legibly. Thank you.

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