

SILENT MEDITATION

“How many Christians are like tadpoles - virtually all head and very little else? We are to know Christ with all our head, yes, but also all our heart, our spirit, etc.”

GREETINGS AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign Attendance Pad)

PRELUDE *Praise and Worship* T. Rink

INTROIT *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* arr. J. Raney

CALL TO WORSHIP Ruth Fay

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for Yahweh is good.

People: The steadfast love of God endures forever!

Leader: Out of distress, I called on the Lord. I do not fear; the Lord is by my side.

People: The steadfast love of God endures forever!

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

+***HYMN #48** *Rain Down*
(Verses: Choir, Refrain: Congregation)

PASSING OF THE PEACE*+*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER****PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Oh God, how fear compels us. It drives so many of the decisions we make each day. It keeps us awake at night and full of worry by day. The world tells us to be afraid, but that is in such contrast to the command you have given us so many times in your Word. Do not be afraid. Do not be afraid. You've said it over and over, and yet we confess that we don't trust you. We believe that humans know better than our great God. Lord, release us from fear. Drive out the lies that we hold onto so tightly. Let us trust fully in your promise that you are always with us. We surrender our concerns to you. Replace them with your peace. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Elevator Control Room Keys: We are missing a set of Elevator Control Room Keys that were on the desktop in the Reception Area. If you have them, or inadvertently picked them up, please return them to Reception.

World Communion Sunday – October 1

Next Sunday is World Communion Sunday, when we share the Lord's Supper with Christians all around the world. This event is a sign of our oneness in Christ Jesus.

Another way we celebrate this day is by receiving the Peace and Global Witness Offering. This is one of the four main offerings of the Presbyterian Church USA. A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice across the world. Individual congregations are encouraged to utilize up to 25% of this Offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness.

Stewardship

During the month of October we will focus on how we respond to God through the faithful use of our time, talent and financial resources. You will receive a Stewardship packet in the mail in early October. It will have a cover letter, a Stewardship Brochure, a financial pledge sheet and a talent-time pledge sheet. We will receive and consecrate our financial pledges on Sunday, October 22. Our youth will provide a light lunch following the service on that date. The talent-time pledge sheet is to be received on Sunday, October 29. Thank you, one and all, for your faithful giving and service to God's Kingdom.

Love INC is hosting their annual banquet on Friday October 6th from 7-9:00 at Mt. Zion Church, One Mt. Zion Circle Oakwood Village 44146. Our guest Speaker is Wayne Dawson from Fox8. Come and hear firsthand how needs are being met and lives are being transformed. The Dinner is FREE but reservations are required. Please call 216-459-0302 or e mail us at tracye@loveinccuy.org.

Life Groups - Our 3 small groups welcome you into to their fellowship as we grow in faith and service. If you are interested see one of the following group leaders: Bob Schomer, John Lahl or Susan Rhee.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK**Sunday, September 24**

10:00 AM –Worship Service
11:00 AM – Coffee Hour – Dining Room
11:00 AM – JuBELLation Choir – Bell Room
11:15 AM – Life Group – Parlor
11:30 AM – Presbyterian Women Team 2nd floor

Monday, September 25

9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library
7:00 PM – Life Group - Parlor

Tuesday, September 26

8:45 AM – Men's Bowling – Freeway Lanes
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts - Gym

Wednesday, September 27

9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library
10:30 AM – Al-Anon – MPR
3:00 PM – Life Group – 2nd floor

Thursday, September 28

8:45 AM – Men's Bowling – Freeway Lanes
6:00 PM – Carillon Choir – Bell Room
7:00 PM – Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

Sunday, October 1 World Communion Sunday

10:00 AM –Worship Service
11:00 AM – Coffee Hour – Dining Room
11:00 AM – JuBELLation Choir – Bell Room
11:15 AM – Life Group – Parlor

Love INC's Annual Coat Collection: It's that time of the year... Time to clean out those closets and donate your new or gently worn coats and jackets to Love In the Name of Christ. (If purchasing coats please purchase XX and larger). We are asking you to bring your coat to church during the first FOUR Sundays of October. The coats will be picked up, cleaned, hung in a plastic bag and given to the homeless and poor throughout Cuyahoga County. They are expecting a colder winter this year, please help us reach out the hand of hope in a practical way as we extend Love In the Name of Christ. Thank you for partnering with us.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering Sentence

Offertory *Thy Word*

arr. J. Schrader

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

***HYMN #39** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 16:2-20 O.T. page 62

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Faith Eating"

***HYMN #17** *Sing Praise to God, You Heavens!*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**
May the God of Hope God with Us #765

May the God of hope go with us every day;
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
Singing, share our joy with all;
Working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear
Christ's call.

POSTLUDE *Flying on His Wings* J.S. Faris

Today's Ushers: Dwain Best, Darlene and Fred Ells,
Gina Hansen, Jim and Linda Topor,
Katherine Koltoff

The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of
Phyllis Goode

Chancel Flowers are placed in Loving Memory of
Charles and Jane Burns by Jim and Sue Campbell
Marilyn Weiss by Cal Weiss

"FAITH EATING"

September 24, 2017 Exodus 16:2-20

Life Group Study Guide

Notes from Worship Service

1. Remember the Israelites were city folks and they knew nothing of the wilderness or life beyond the city walls. They were struggling to adjust to a whole new environment and way of life.
2. The main reason God gives the food is so they will "know that I am the Lord your God." This is a God who:
 - a. Provides enough for all.
 - b. Provides enough for the day.
 - c. Is involved in the ordinary.
 - d. Can be trusted.
3. If the people could not faith eat, how were they ever going to faith walk?
4. The Israelites forgot that the menu, or meal, was less important than the mission.
5. When we live in the love of God, there will always be enough for all and there will always be power to walk in faith.

Life Group Homework

1. What insight, principle or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.
2. What is your favorite family meal? Where did it come from?
3. Describe briefly, how God is feeding you?

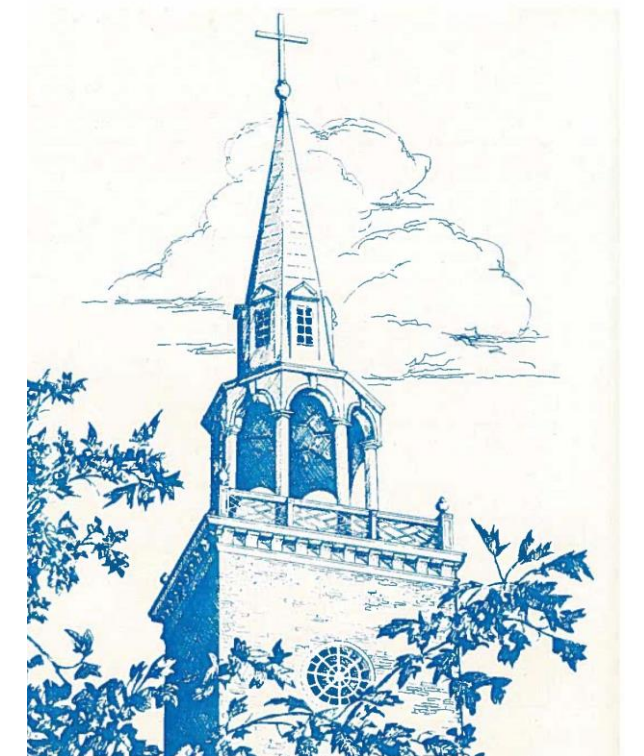
Read Exodus 16:2-21

4. Why do you think the Israelites had such a difficult time trusting God and his servant Moses?
5. What does this passage teach the church?
6. What unfamiliar place or work might God be calling you to?

Life Practice: Practice giving thanks each time you eat this week, even for snacks, as a way to honor God's abundant provision.

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2017 Theme Verse

"But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." – Isaiah 40:31

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*Those who are able, please stand
+Appropriate time for the Ushers to seat latecomers