

Assurance of Pardon

Anthem

This Time

Russell Nagy

All of us would admit that there are significant people - friends, parents, children, pastors, teachers - that have changed our lives. Most of us would also admit that we don't express our appreciation for their part in our lives as much as we would like. This simple song is meant to let people know:

*that for all the things you do,
I'm thanking God for you,
but, most of all, for giving us this time.*

As we worship together this morning, the MUCC choir would like to thank you for including us in worship and ask us all to embrace our differences as we continue to walk side by side, teaching one another to grow.

A Word for Children

Scripture Readings

The Epistle Lesson is Hebrews 9:24-28

24 For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. 25 Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; 26 for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. 27 And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, 28 so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

All who are able please stand for the reading of the Gospel

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

The reading is recorded in chapter 12:38-44

Jesus Denounces the Scribes

38 As he taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, 39 and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! 40 They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

The Widow's Offering

41 He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. 42 A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. 43 Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. 44 For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

One: Here ends the Gospel Reading. It is the Good News of Jesus Christ.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.



Prayer List

Family Member/s

Karen Wagner

Ellen Goodyear

Kenny Patrick

Nancy Brown

Larry Eisenhauer

Ruthann and John Snoke

Glenn Bicher

friends and family of Evelyn Wuori

friends and family of Donald Snyder

Marcia Bicher

Friend/s

Glenda Yohn - sister-in-law to Marcia Bicher

Suzanne Fritsch - mother of Stephen Fritsch

Larry Vindich - friend of Ed and Candy Hibshman

Ella Ream - friend of Ed and Candy Hibshman

Lori Hull - friend of Suzi Upton

Richard Ruf - grandpa of Angie Bicher

Suzie Wartluft's contact number is 717/866-5490. Please call this number with any and all prayer concerns. Feel free to leave a message if Suzie does not answer and she will follow up to ensure accuracy on the listing of concern. The updated list will be called into the church office by 9:00 am each Wednesday morning. Feel free to contact Suzie with any questions or concerns.





Mark 12:42-44 But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything- all she had to live on."

The Message - 'Risk and Restoration'

Hymn *For the Fruit of All Creation* #723

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Offertory *Ar hyd y nos* Frank Stoldt
arrangement of a Welsh hymn tune

*Offertory Response *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* #575
(verse 3)

*UCC Statement of Faith (inside back cover of the hymnal)

*Closing Hymn *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* #589

*Benediction

*Congregational Response *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life* #591
(verse 5)

Moments of Meditation (seated)

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**Today: Annual Congregational meeting begins immediately following today's worship service. \*\*Childcare will be provided.**

**This Week:**

- Monday: Strong Bones fitness class 8:30 am in the Social Hall**
- Tuesday:**
- Wednesday:**
- Thursday: Strong Bones 8:30 am meets in the Social Hall**  
**Pastor Rick office hours 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm**  
**Upper Room Bible study meet from 1:00 - 2:00 pm in the Library**

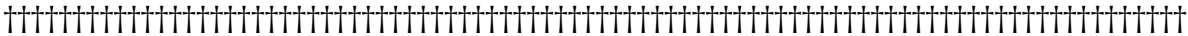
**Next Sunday: November 18**

Worship at 9:00 AM

Open - Marcia Bicher  
Greeter: Paulie and Margo McQuate  
Lector: Paulie McQuate  
Liturgist: Carolyn Williams  
Ushers: Glenn, Sheryl, Olivia and Bryson Runz  
Kenny Patrick

**Coming up: November 25**

Worship at 9:00 AM - Guest Pastor is Garrett Book, Guest Organist is Sarah Wagner  
Sunday School at 10:15 am



**Announcements**

**Upper Room Bible study meets each Thursday from 1:00 - 2:00 pm in the Library**, with the exception of the 2nd Thursday of the months, when the Community Meal is being served. Please check the bulletin for updated information. You may also contact Marcia Bicher at 717/866-6401.

**LCCM donation item for the month of November** is small and large canned yams. Please place donations in the box provided in the Gathering Area. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Williams at 717/866-9482.

The Elders will take turns being 'on-call' as listed in the following schedule:

**November 11 - November 17 Stephen Fritsch 610/406-7166**  
**November 18 - November 24 Marie Hibshman 717/343-3247**

If someone is hospitalized or has other needs, one of the elders could visit or assist in contacting Rev. Rick. Elders are also planning to visit shut-ins and offer communion to them. We could certainly use help. If you are not comfortable doing communion, would you be willing to make some visits, asking members what they need and telling them that the elders and Rev. Rick Luciotti are available?

**Rev. Rick's office hours this week and next:**

**November 15 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm**                      **November 27 8:00 am - 12:00 pm**  
**November 20 8:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**There is an opening for Altar flowers for Sunday, November 25.** If you'd like to place flowers In Memory of or In Honor of loved ones, please contact Betty Arnold at 717/866-5329.

Someone is needed to open the church the 4th and 5th Sundays from December 23 through March 31st, until Bill and Betty Arnold return. If you are interested, please let Bill and Betty know or contact the church office at 717/866-5252.

We are in need of someone willing to unlock the church on the second Sunday of each month. The church needs to be unlocked at 8 a.m. If interested, please contact Kristi Fields or Lee Ann in the church office. Thanks for the consideration!

**Announcements**

**Community Meal:**

The Community Meal **will be served on Dec. 13., Mar. 14, Apr. 11 and May 9.** Note there will be no meals in, Jan. and Feb. **The meals will be served from 4 PM to 6 PM.** Note that this is a change in time. Mark Herr will be actively helping with the preparation along with a group of volunteers., as has been done in the past. If you have never helped and would be willing to help prep, cook or serve in several ways, please see Mark Herr or Carolyn Williams. Please consider supporting this mission by volunteering your assistance.

\*\*Troop 20's Scouting for Food bag drop off was yesterday, November 10. Next Saturday, November 17 is the bag pick up. Please don't forget to put out your filled bag Saturday morning by 8:00 am. Thank you for supporting your local food banks by participating in Scouting for Food!

The Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and Carol Sing will be held on the square at Main and Locust Streets, Myerstown, on Saturday, November 24, 2018 at 6:30 pm The instrumental music will begin at 6:15 pm

In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the sanctuary of the Myerstown United Church of Christ.

Following the ceremony, there will be refreshments by candlelight at the Isaac Meier House on South College Street. Please join us!

~ Community Improvement Committee

**We would like to continue having our Fellowship/Gathering time after worship. If you have not signed up yet, please sign up on the Information Counter in the Gathering Area. We need people to sign up for November and December.**

**The Angel Tree is up and decorated. Please pick an angel card and purchase the item that is listed on the card, bring it back unwrapped and in a bag along with the Angel tag. Gifts should be placed at the base of the tree in the Conversational area. Thanks for your continued support of this ministry.**



**Thank you Veterans for your sacrifices and those of your families!**