

**WELCOME TO**  
**Old Zionsville United Church of Christ**  
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Rev. Lori Esslinger

Pastor

David Carlson

Organist

October 29, 2023

10:15 a.m.

*\*those who are able may stand*

**All Saints Day**

**“Love”**

Prelude: “Lord, Speak to Me”

Hegarty

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17)

One: The Holy One has been our hope and our home.

**Many: God has been with us from generation to generation.**

One: We flourish and fade, bloom and renew in God’s time.

**Many: Our lives are temporal and precious and glorious.**

One: May the compassion and favor of the Holy One be with us.

**Many: May we be glad and prosperous in our work for our God!**

Invocation (unison)

**Righteous God, your law is love. Your message is love. Your presence is love. May Love fill our atmosphere and our interactions as we gather together in your name. May Love transform us, renew us, and revive us. Amen.**

\*Opening Hymn: “For All the Saints”

p.767

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

One: Loving God, forgive us for the paths we seek that steer us away from you.

**Many: We confess that we have embraced animosity over understanding, self-righteousness over grace, hopelessness over empowered action. Demonstrate the power of love to us anew. Help us to be loving agents of your kingdom for your glory and the restoration of the world. Amen.**

## Words of Grace

Beloved, know that your path evolves and the Creator cuts through the wilderness to make the rough ways smooth. The Holy One is Companion and Guide gently and firmly encouraging us to the path of righteous love, justice, and peace. Amen.

\*Hymn: "This Is a Day of New Beginnings" see insert

Scripture: 1 John 3:1-3 p.1066

## Reflection

All Saints Day Remembrance see insert

## Invitation to Generosity

Sharing of the abundance we receive is a tangible way to love our neighbor as ourselves. May we give with generous and empathetic hearts stirred to compassion and to companion to meet the needs before us.

Offertory: "Come, Come Ye Saints" Blanchard

\* Presentation of our Offerings and The Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving (unison)

**Giving God, we follow your example of the ministry of presence in the sharing of our resources. Prosper the work of our hands and minds and enable us to make a difference and participate in your kingdom through generosity. Amen.**

Choir Anthem: "Amazing Grace" Newton

The 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 heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn: "God Be with You" p.232

\*Benediction

May the love of God dispel the gloom, ease the disquiet, and fill your soul with gladness. You are loved. You are love. Go in peace and the love of God for the glory of God and the hope for creation.

\*Three Fold Amen

\*Extinguishing of the Candles

\*Postlude: "Bound for My Father's Home"

Moore



**Love: Service Prayers for the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost** were written by The Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay, Minister for Worship and Theology, United Church of Christ\_

**TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS** are in memory of Mr. and Mrs. William M.E. Yeakel by daughter Miriam and Family.

**TODAY'S BULLETINS** are sponsored by James and Patti Mittl to the Glory of God in memory of Bill and Julia Yeakel.

**TODAY'S GREETER** is Millie Kohler.

**TODAY'S LITURGIST** is Lee Hoch.

RESTROOMS ARE AVAILABLE on the main floor of the Church and downstairs. Bulletin MAGNIFIER SHEETS can be found on the sound system.

Our church is equipped with an Assistive Listening System. You provide your own headphones which can be connected to the transmitter which will allow you to more clearly hear the Worship Service or any program being offered in the Sanctuary. See anyone at the sound booth to inquire.



**TODAY is the last day to place your orders for Soup and/or Sandwich.** Order forms can be found in your pew or at the entrances to the Church. Order your **Pepper Pot Soup** and/or **Ham and Cheese Sandwiches** today. Pick up will be on Saturday, November 11 from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. during the Bazaar and Filled Basket Auction. They may be placed in the offering plate or order by calling the church office at 610-966-3601. You may also email your orders to the church office at ozuccoffice@ptd.net. These need to be in the office on Monday. Proceeds will be split between our General Fund and Cemetery.

**ATF Room help is needed tomorrow, October 30** for sorting and storing. If you would like to help come anytime, we will be at the Church by 10:00 a.m. ATF could use gift tags and tape. They always need **NEW** items for men and boys. They are still looking for a sturdy clothing rack. Thank you! If you know anyone that could use a Wedding Gown, ATF has a very pretty one, brand new with tags still on, size 14. See Millie.

**Window Fund** - Eight weeks into the \$5,000 Matching Gift Challenge, members have contributed \$2,223. Just five weeks remain to reach our goal and to double your donation, so please prayerfully consider a gift to the campaign before the end of November. Let's make our fourth annual challenge another successful one!

The final quilt will be raffled off at the November 11th Bazaar and Basket Auction. The quilt will be on display in the Upper Social Hall, so stop by to purchase your tickets at \$5 each or three for \$10. Good luck!

Cumberland has had to reschedule installation of the nativity window to Thanksgiving week. Although we will have to wait a few weeks longer than we originally thought, the beautiful window will be returned in time for the holiday season.

**GriefShare** is meeting on Tuesdays, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in our downstairs Social Room. They will continue to meet each Tuesday until the 13th session on November 21, 2023. You are welcome to join in anytime, but please register with Pastor Lori.

Our annual **Bazaar & Filled Basket Auction** is scheduled for Saturday, **November 11, 2023**. What fun basket are you going to contribute? Would you like to have your own table at the event? Contact Deb Schoenberger if you would like to reserve a space. We would love to have some homemade goodies for our bake sale. Also, we could **really** use some help **setting up tables on Friday night** (November 10) and **cleaning up on Saturday** after the basket auction. If you are able to help with either set-up or clean-up, please sign up with Patti Mittl. Thank you.

**Supper Club** will be Friday, November 3 at Spinnerstown Hotel, 2195 Spinnerstown Rd, Quakertown. The next **Brunch** will be on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at the Merc after Worship. These events are open to anyone wishing to join us for good food and conversation!

We will be offering a **New Member Class** in November. If you are interested in learning more about our church please speak with Pastor Lori.

November is the month to celebrate our **Veterans**. Our Music and Worship Committee decided on a new way to celebrate the Veteran. This year we invite you to submit the names of Veterans for a power point list we will create. A form to fill out is included with the bulletin. You may drop the completed form in the offering plate. Forms are due **TODAY**. Thank you.

**Zionsville Area Food Pantry** – This year instead of asking each church to supply a specific item for pre bagging Thanksgiving Dinners, the Food Pantry is asking for donations of any Thanksgiving Dinner related items. This way they will be able to select what they need. Suggested Items: Sweet Potatoes, Stuffing Mix, Cranberry Sauce, Gravy, Green Beans, Corn Casserole Ingredients, Cornbread Mix, Dessert Items. All items must be to the Church by **November 1, 2023**. Items the Food Pantry are in short supply for November giveaway include: Tuna, Cereal, Dinner Soups, Pasta Sauce  
Thank you for your continued support.

**Saturday, November 4** – All are welcome to attend the PNEC Fall Meeting at Ben Salem UCC, 1965 Church Hill Rd, Lehighton on Saturday, November 4, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Find out what is happening in Pennsylvania with the Keystone Conference. Be Part! If interested in registering please see Pastor Lori.

November's **Youth Group Meeting** will be on Friday, November 17 from 6-8 p.m. All Welcome!

**Support our Scout Troop** and save time with your Thanksgiving baking with Weaver's Orchard Homemade Pies. The Troop is taking order for 7 different seasonal pies. Pies are \$17.00 each and are delivered frozen ready for you to bake. Orders and payments are due by October 31, 2023. Delivery is Saturday, November 18, 2023 at the Church (can store for Sunday pickup after Church). Make checks payable to Robin Yoder. Pies for sale are: Apple Lattice Top; Apple Caramel Walnut; Strawberry Rhubarb; Blackberry Lattice Top; Cherry Lattice Top; Peach Crust Top; and Pumpkin (delivered prebaked). See Robin to place your orders.

**Poinsettia** orders are now being accepted for our Christmas season. You may choose red, pink or white and they are \$7.00 for a 6" pot. Order forms can be found on our Sound System.

**Week of October 29-November 4, 2023:**

Pastor Lori will **NOT** have office hours this Wednesday but instead will be here on

**Friday from 12 noon till 3pm.** Other times by appointment.

Church Secretary Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-3pm  
(please call before coming)

Sexton: Richard Shoemaker (with Thanks to his wife, Brenda)

ATF Sort & Store – Monday @ 10am

Scouts – Monday @ 6pm

GriefShare – Tuesday @ 1pm

Cub Scouts – Tuesday @ 7pm

Choir Practice – Thursday @ 7:30pm

Supper Club – Friday @ 6pm – Spinnerstown Hotel

**Next Sunday** – 9:00am Sunday School

9:00am New Member Class

10:15am Communion Worship

**Total Offerings from October 22, 2023:** Attendance: 52

General Offerings: \$2,309.00

Mission: \$65.00

Window Fund: \$397.00

Disaster Relief: \$40.00

Parking Lot Maintenance: \$65.00

Cemetery: \$0

**All Saints Day Celebration**  
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*Remembering Our "Saints"*

- Pauline Haring, died September 28, 2022
- \*June Oleska, died September 29, 2022
- \*Jeff Tapler, died October 3, 2022
- \*Bernice Reddinger, died October 26, 2022
- \*Sharon Getz, died October 29, 2022
- \*Alan Miller, died December 2, 2022
- Carlton Dreas, died January 3, 2023
- Phyllis Hoch, died February 2, 2023
- William Yeakel, died June 8, 2023
- Dorothy Mohr, died June 10, 2023
- \*Ira Shade, died August 15, 2023
- \*John Rogers, died August 20, 2023
- Patricia Horn, died August 29, 2023

\* = non-member

Lighting a Candle for others who have died this past year

Unison Prayer:

**O God, we thank you for those who have gone before us, pillars of the faith who have helped to build the foundations of our trust in you. They have taught us what it means to believe. They have walked the paths of their pilgrimages so that we need not stumble. Surely their reward will be great in heaven. We thank you for the saints who surround us now, mentors and teachers who continue to open to us new truths of the gospel. Help us to extend hospitality and your gospel to all people for in so doing we will extend that great heavenly banquet table, where the Risen Christ is the host, into our lives here and now and hasten the day when your will is done. Amen.**