

OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT WORSHIP
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

November 13, 2022

11:00 A.M.

TIME OF GATHERING: Read through Announcements, Pray over Concerns, Meditate on Celebrations and the wonder and grace of God, and Thanksgiving to God....
Please sign the red pads and pass it onto the next person in your pew.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Variation on *Old Hundredth* Robert Lau

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: O God of all good gifts,

People: We come as a thankful people.

Liturgist: O God who loves us and finds us worthy,

People: We come as a redeemed people.

Liturgist: O God who charges us to give as we have been given,

People: We come with open hands

All: To worship the God who has created us and blesses us.

*HYMN *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* No. 694

OPENING PRAYER

**Unison: Giver of all good things, we thank you:
for health and vigor,
for the air that gives the breath of life,
the sun that warms us,
and the good food that makes us strong;
for happy homes and for the friends we love,
for all that makes life worth living.
Make us thankful and eager to repay,
by cheerfulness and kindness,
and by a readiness to help others.
Freely we have received; let us freely give,
in the name of him who gave his life for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GOSPEL LESSON *Matthew 6:19-21, 24-34*

Liturgist: The Word of God for God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

AN INVITATION TO PRAY

+Prayer of Confession

Unison: Father, giver of every good and perfect gift, everything we have has come from you, but we seldom recognize your goodness. Too often we take credit for what we have gained, failing to realize that what we have, has been given to us so that we might be good stewards when serving others. Forgive us when we give grudgingly and not joyfully, when we don't see our giving as ultimately serving your kingdom. Your kingdom is here at Good Shepherd in Lebanon, in mission work around the world, and in giving assistance to your suffering children. We pray for your guidance, in not only what we give to you, but in how we manage all our resources. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

+Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: Choir Anthem *We Bring Our Thanks* Ruth Elaine Schram

MESSAGE *"A Healthy Heart"* Pastor Janet Sattel

*HYMN *Now Thank We All Our God* No. 102

A GIVING OPPORTUNITY Bob Mease, Mark Doane

*HYMN *What Gift Can We Bring* No. 87

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: Do not worry about anything in life - don't be afraid!

Instead, let your lives be marked by compassion and generosity, sharing what you have been given with those in need, storing up your treasure in heaven instead of here on earth. And may the blessing of God-Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer-encourage and strengthen you in every good word and deed.

All: Amen.

*ORGAN RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Now Thank We Allo Our God

Michael Burkhardt

*All stand if possible +All kneel or sit to pray

We thank all those who helped with the service this morning.

Liturgist: Joan Sowers

Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

- ▶ Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
- ▶ Connecting with broken and hurting people
- ▶ Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
- ▶ Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry

2022 Mission Support

International

Heifer Int., UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief),
Congo Partners in Mission, Africa University

Lebanon County

COGS in Motion, Gretna Glen Support, Habitat for Humanity, Iglesia Nuevo Nacimiento,
Lebanon County Christian Ministries (LCCM), Lebanon Rescue Mission, Support
Connections of Lebanon County(SCLC), Good Shepherd Care and Compassion Fund.



Reverend Janet Sadel, Lead Pastor

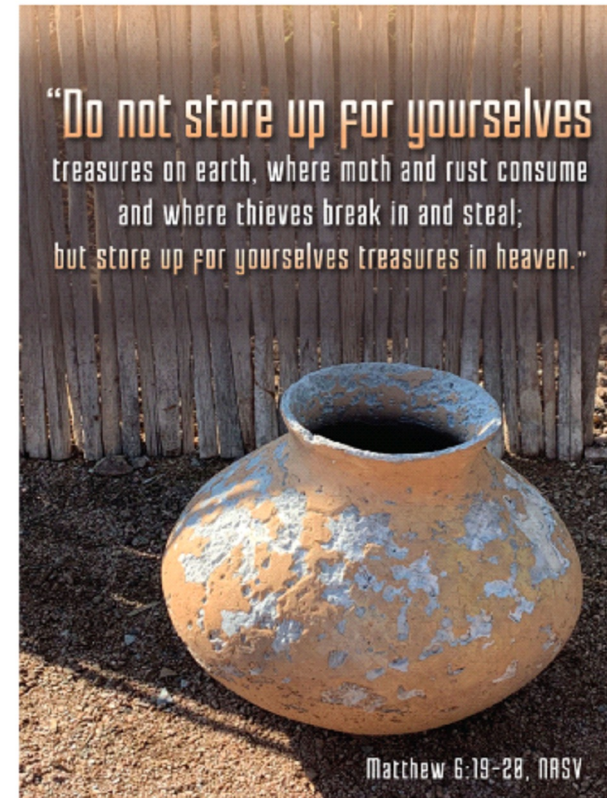
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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Celebration of Faith



Investing in God-Giving Joyfully

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1500 Quentin Road / Lebanon, PA 17042

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Sermon Outline:

“A Healthy Heart”
Matthew 6:19-21, 24-34
Pastor Janet Sattel

God is always interested in our well-being, and our attitude toward money goes to the root of where our heart is with God.

A steward is the person who manages or cares for someone else's property. All of the earth belongs to God, but we have been given temporary care for the earth.

When we give, we're giving to God. The very name of our church tells us that – this is the Church of the Good Shepherd. This place belongs to our Good Shepherd, our loving Lord.

John Wesley said, “Earn all you can, save all you can, give all you can.”

Jesus said we can't serve both God and money. Our heart is the center of our being, and what we focus on will determine how balanced of a person we are. Jesus said that where our treasure is, that's where our heart will be. If we love Jesus and we want to see ministry take place that helps further his kingdom, then that's where our heart will be. Giving is about the health of our heart. And a heart that gives is a healthy heart.

- ◆ Giving is a joyful thing when we give freely.
- ◆ Giving is relational because giving strengthens our relationship with God - we are putting something into our relationship.
- ◆ We cannot out-give God's love and God's generosity. Giving is love.
- ◆ Giving is trust: when we give to God first, we are seeking God's kingdom first, and trusting that God will meet all our needs. There is a peace and a joy that comes when we trust God in our giving.
- ◆ The record is clear - generous givers are typically more spiritually vigorous and happier than those who are not. Giving is spiritual!

"God loves a cheerful giver" and cheerful giving can only come from a heart set on things above, not on earthly things. That's a healthy heart.

Calendar for Week of 11/13/2022

SUNDAY

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]
11:00 - Pageant Practice [WCI]
4-6pm - Middle School Youth

MONDAY

10am - Staff Meeting
6:00 - CR Praise band rehearsal [WC]

TUESDAY

6:30—COGS Teacher appreciation [Hall]
7:00 - Book Study [Lounge]

WEDNESDAY

8:30-11:30 - MLLC [rms 200/202]
7:00 - Celebrate Recovery
7:00 - Traditional Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary]

THURSDAY

5:00 - Contemporary Design Team
5:30 - Traditional Design Team
6:00 - CR Step Study [rm 21]

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal
6:00—Open Art [Hall]

SUNDAY “Ministry Fair”

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]
9:45 - Sunday School
11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]
11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]
11:00 - Pageant Practice [WC]
4-6:30—Gretna Glen Youth Night