

ST. STEPHEN REFORMED CHURCH (PCA)
249 E. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557
March 29, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 100 ESV*)

“Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! ² Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! ³ Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. ⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! ⁵ For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.”

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 103

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! ² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, ³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, ⁵ who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. ⁶ The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. ⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. ⁸ The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹ He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. ¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; ¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. ¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him. ¹⁴ For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust. ¹⁵ As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; ¹⁶ for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. ¹⁷ But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, ¹⁸ to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments. ¹⁹ The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all. ²⁰ Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word! ²¹ Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will! ²² Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

SERMON

“Don't Forget”

Dr. Timothy Witmer

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN

“It is Well with My Soul”

When peace like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well, with my soul

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)

It is well, it is well with my soul

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul *Refrain*

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin, not in part but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, o my soul *Refrain*

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back like a scroll.
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS 03/29/2020

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

All of our homebound members and also prayers of healing for:

Amy Weigelt	Larry Ladley - son-in-law of Bud & Judy See	Ken Laudermilch	
Lou Ford	Natalie Anderson	Edie Richard	Cindy Sierk
Carol Flora	Stu Sacks	Karen Seiple	Joan Jacobs
Kurt Weaver	Pat Fieger	Shirley Titus	Laine Eberly

*Names appear on this list when we are given permission to print them.
(New names added to the list appear in dark print)

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

An Abbreviated Worship Service and full sermon will be available every Sunday morning on our website throughout the quarantine.

Phil Castor's T.U.L.I.P. Sunday School class is also available LIVE at 9:30 online. This is recorded for later viewing. You will need a ZOOM account to view LIVE. Instructions are available on the website.

Online Prayer Meetings will continue this week. Virtual prayer meetings are held online on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 and Fridays at Noon. These are accessible LIVE via ZOOM. Let us know if you need information about how to connect. These meetings will be 15-30 minutes in length. Please send prayer requests to be included and there will be opportunity for you to share requests LIVE.

Online Giving - During these weeks that we are not meeting, please mail your tithes and offerings to the church office or consider the new online giving option on our website. As always, we are grateful for your generosity to the Lord's work.

Should you have needs, or know of someone who does, please contact Pastor Witmer (610-733-1659), Pastor Stamper (717-715-5954), or your shepherd. Do not hesitate to call and stay in touch with one another.

Pastor Search Committee Nominations. The process of forming the committee can still continue while we are absent from one another. By now you should have received a letter explaining the process together with a nomination form. You should also have received this information via email. A congregational meeting has been called to elect the committee on Sunday, April 26. This may need to be delayed but these initial steps can be taken.

Plans for the Free Market on June 13 continue, though circumstances may require its cancellation. Stay tuned and please contact Pastor Tim if you would like to help.

Ordering Easter Flowers this year has been **cancelled** due to the COVID-19 restrictions that has kept us from attending our church services. The Decorating Committee.

Ladies Tea has been **postponed**. More details will follow at a later date.

Spring Bus Trip – Flyers can be emailed to you upon request to the church office (717.354.7871). Come along, join us on a trip called "Made in America" Sights, Sounds, and Tastes of York County. Wednesday, May 6 on Elite Coach. Price per person: \$118. Note, a \$50.00 deposit is due on registration (checks should be made out to Cheryl Weaver). Any questions call Cheryl Weaver, 717-354-8704.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS ACCESSIBLE VIA ZOOM...

<i>Today</i>	<i>9:30 am</i>	<i>Online Sunday School</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>6:30 pm</i>	<i>Online Prayer Meeting</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>12:00 pm</i>	<i>Online Prayer Meeting</i>

ONLINE NEXT SUNDAY – Palm Sunday: April 5, 2020
SERMON: “Blessed is He Who Comes in the Name of the Lord”
By: Dr. Timothy Witmer