

ST. STEPHEN REFORMED
249 E. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557
March 3, 2019 – 8:15 A.M.

*Indicates those able may stand

When the prelude begins please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship.

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Christum wir sollen loben schon” (BWV 611)
(We should now praise Christ)
“Adagio Sostenuto”

J.S. Bach

F. Mendelssohn

WELCOME

Dr. Timothy Witmer

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 34:1-4 ESV*)

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*OPENING HYMN

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Hymn #170

*INVOCATION

Rev. Nathaniel Stamper

CALL TO CONFESSION

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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PRAYER FOR MERCY (Kyrie) “Lord Have Mercy upon Us”

ONE: Lord, have mercy upon us.

ALL: Lord, have mercy upon us.

ONE: Christ, have mercy upon us.

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ONE: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“The Gloria Patri”

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

*APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic¹ church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 3:1-8

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SERMON

“Objection!”

Dr. Timothy Witmer

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts, debtors)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

D. Wood

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Doxology”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

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Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Help us, O Lord, to be those who sow generously and not sparingly, who give cheerfully and not reluctantly, believing that these gifts will bring glory to your name. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN “O Sacred Head” Hymn #247

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

RECEIVING AND SHARING THE ELEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN “Praise Him! Praise Him!” Hymn #173

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATION THREE-FOLD AMEN

*SILENT MEDITATION

*POSTLUDE “Jubilate” Wm. Mathias

(Should you be moved to respond to a special musical offering, a hearty "Amen" is recommended)

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Welcome Center: Lewis & Margie Ingles

Ushers: Paul & Dawn Waltman

Altar Guild: Karen Bates

Counting Team: Donna Burkholder & Dot Koble

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PIANO PRELUDE – *Let us quiet our hearts as piano and flute play*

GATHERING (Congregation seated)
“Behold the Lamb”

Praise Book #6

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CHILDREN’S SONG – (Children ages 4-7 may leave for Kingdom Kids)

God is the master builder. He is building me.

He builds with stuff that comes from heaven tools we cannot see.

He hammers in truths (knock, knock, knock), so we’ll be honest.

He saws away (szu, szu, szu), what is not good.

He pours cement, for a strong foundation.

He builds in love, He fills in peace, and He decorates with joy. REPEAT

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Altar Guild: Raymell Houck

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ANNOUNCEMENTS 03/03/19

*WELCOME VISITORS!! We are happy that you are with us. Our purpose is to share Christ through our ministries. Please sign the visitors' card in the pew and place it in the offering plate. **Nursery is offered during our 10:30 worship service for children ages three or younger. KINGDOM KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** is available for children ages 4-7. They will be dismissed during the 10:30 service "Children's Song".*

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

Lee Curley	Laine Eberly	Shirley Titus	Tom Plitt
Barb Carey	Evelyn Griffith	Carolyn Martin	Susan Graybill
Pat Fieger – son-in-law of the McAbees		Harold Good – brother of Hazel Weaver	

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

FLOWERS this Sunday are given in memory of Paul Houck by Raymell and family.

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES and LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from our ushers as you enter the sanctuary.

SCENT-FREE SEATING - For those with sensitivity to scents, seating has been designated in the southwestern section of the balcony. Please be respectful of those who have a medical reaction to scents and fragrances.

OVERFLOW PARKING is available behind Beck's Funeral Home.

Church Activities

There is an opening for a sponsor for the altar flowers on March 31, 2019. If you are interested please speak with Jean Martin or call her at 717.354.2204.

Community Activities

NEW HOLLAND FOOD BANK: Please remember this ongoing ministry in which we can all participate. Bins for donations are located in the narthex and breezeway. Monetary donations are also welcome via your offering envelope – remember to indicate *Food Bank* on your gift.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS...

	Communion	
Today	8:15 am	Early Worship Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship Service
	6:00 pm	Youth Group
Monday	6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Global Outreach Meeting
	7:00 pm	Women's Steering Committee Meeting
		at Ruth Pankuch's
Wednesday	2:30 pm	T.E.A.M.
	6:30 pm	T.E.A.M.
	6:30 pm	Bell Rehearsal
Thursday	10:00 am	Outreach Committee Meeting
	6:45 pm	Choir Practice

FUTURE EVENTS...

Sunday	03/10	6:00 pm	Youth Group
Wednesday	03/13	7:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday	03/14	6:45 pm	Choir Practice
Saturday	03/30	8:30 am	Women's Breakfast at Yoder's

NEXT SUNDAY – March 10, 2019

SERMON: "The Verdict"

By: Dr. Timothy Witmer

Scripture: Romans 3:9-20

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

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