ST. STEPHEN REFORMED CHURCH (PCA) 249 E. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557 April 26, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Timothy Witmer

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 93)

"The LORD reigns, He is clothed with majesty. The LORD has clothed Himself with strength; Your throne is established from of old; The LORD on high is mighty. Your testimonies are fully confirmed; Holiness befits Your house, O LORD, forevermore."

HYMN #345 "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken"

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode; on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove; who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst t'assuage? Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near; thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day, safe they feed upon the manna which he gives them when they pray.

Savior, if of Zion's city
I, thro' grace, a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in thy name;

fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show; solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

INVOCATION Rev. Nathaniel Stamper

MUSICAL OFFERING "I Never Saw a Moor" Heidi Shannon

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 15:1-13

SERMON "A New Priority" Dr. Timothy Witmer

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN #386 "God be with You Till We Meet Again"

God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain

Till we meet, till we meet,
Till we meet at Jesus' feet;
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again, 'Neath His wings protecting hide you, Daily manna still divide you, God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

God be with you till we meet again, When life's perils thick confound you, Put His arms unfailing round you, God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

God be with you till we meet again, Keep love's banner floating o'er you, Smite death's threatening wave before you, God be with you till we meet again. [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Douglas Wimer, Organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS 04/26/2020

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

Ken Laudermilch Larry Ladley - son-in-law of Bud Wilbur Horning

& Judy See

Amy Weigelt Natalie Anderson Edie Richard

Lou Ford Stu Sacks Cindy Sierk

Carol Flora Karen Seiple Joan Jacobs

Kurt Weaver Pat Fieger Shirley Titus Laine Eberly

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(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 <u>twitmer@ststephenpca.org</u>, 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 *have been extended through April* **30.** The congregational meeting to elect the search committee scheduled for April 26 will be rescheduled.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS ACCESSIBLE VIA ZOOM...

Today 9:30 am Online Sunday School
Tuesday 7:00 pm Youth Evening Devotional
Wednesday 6:30 pm Online Prayer Meeting
Friday 12:00 pm Online Prayer Meeting

ONLINE NEXT SUNDAY – May 3, 2020 SERMON: "Paul's Ministry Profile" By: Dr. Timothy Witmer SCRIPTURE: Romans 15:14-21