

ST. STEPHEN REFORMED
249 E. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557
May 12, 2019 – 8:15 A.M.

**Indicates those able may stand*

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

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund” (BWV 621)
“Menuet Gothique”

J.S. Bach
L. Boellmann

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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ALL: Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

ONE: Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving;

ALL: Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise

ONE: For the LORD is a great God,

ALL: And a great King above all kings

*OPENING HYMN

“Great is the Lord”

Praise Book #9

*INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, the Lord will not despise. Therefore, let us confess our sins to our gracious God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love, we have sinned in ignorance, we have sinned in weakness and we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us and renew our lives through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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.

ALL: Christ, have mercy upon us.

ONE: Lord, have mercy upon us.

ALL: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 7:1-13

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SERMON

“What’s With the Law?”

Dr. Timothy Witmer

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

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”

D. Wood

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE “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.**

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord Jesus Christ, you were rich, yet for our sakes, you became poor, so that through your poverty we might become spiritually rich. Accept this offering as a gift of gratitude for all you have done. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

“Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment”

Hymn #676

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATION THREE-FOLD AMEN

*SILENT MEDITATION

*POSTLUDE

“Chorale in A Minor”

C. Franck

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

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Welcome Center: Eric & Alice Olynik

Greeters: Joe & Phyllis Stauffer

Ushers: Phil Laukhuff & Jim Leonard

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Sexton: Jill Wilson

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GATHERING (Congregation seated)
“None Other Lamb”

Hymn #157

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

Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom, power, and love
Our God is an awesome God

MUSICAL OFFERING

“For All My Sin”
(Bob Straton, tenor)

Clayton/Sacks

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ANNOUNCEMENTS 05/12/19

*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:

Kaylee Richard – granddaughter of Dale & Edie Richard	Edie Richard		
Lee Curley	Laine Eberly	Shirley Titus	John Martin
Barb Carey	Evelyn Griffith	Carolyn Martin	
Pat Fieger - son-in-law of the McAbees	Curt Weaver – son of George & Nancy Weaver		
Henry Weaver – brother of George Weaver	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 honor of our mothers and grandmothers by Dot and Ron Bensinger.

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

PLEASE JOIN US for St. Stephen's first "Fifth Wednesday Fellowship" meal to be held Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at New Holland Fire Hall, 339 East Main Street, from 6:00-8:00 pm. Come enjoy a delicious catered meal from Yoder's while learning to know your church family better! Donations will be accepted at the door that evening but please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the narthex by Sunday, May 19. You may also indicate if you need a gluten free option. We hope to see you there!

ALLIANCE CONFERENCE – Please read the insert in your bulletin regarding the Rosaria Butterfield conference *The Gospel Comes with a House Key*, to be held June 21 – 22 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Lancaster. Deadline to sign up for the special pricing as a group with the church is May 19. As well as the insert, there is more information about the conference on the bulletin board in the narthex.

WOMEN'S TEA - The Annual Tea for women and girls ages 8 and up will be held Saturday, June 1 from 2-4 pm in Lower Zwingli. More information coming...
Seating is limited so reservations are required by Sunday, May 19 by calling Edie Richard starting May 1 at 717.351.5527. Please give your name, email address, phone number and guests' names.

FROZEN SOUP is again available for you to share with those who are ill, those who are shut-in or just someone that needs a caring touch. **We now have gluten free Chicken Rice soup available as well.** Brighten your friends or neighbor's day.

Community Activities

NEW HOLLAND FOOD BANK: Please remember this ongoing ministry in which we can all participate. There is currently a great need for the following items:

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.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS...

Today 8:15 am Early Worship Service
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
Wednesday 7:00 pm Officers Meeting
Thursday 6:45 pm Choir Practice

FUTURE EVENTS...

Sunday 05/19 6:00 pm Youth Group
Thursday 05/23 6:00 pm CrossNet Meal Group

NEXT SUNDAY – May 19, 2019
SERMON: "The Battle"
By: Dr. Timothy Witmer
Scripture: Romans 7:13-25

GENERAL FUND OFFERING FOR MAY 5, 2019

Attendance:	<u>Early Service</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>\$4,953.00</u>
	<u>Late Service</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>\$6,147.00</u>

Amount received for General Fund only \$11,100.00

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