

ST. STEPHEN REFORMED
249 E. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557
July 1, 2018 – 8:15 A.M.

*Indicates those able may stand

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Dr. Timothy Witmer

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Adapted from Psalm 103:19-22*)

ONE: The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,

ALL: And his kingdom rules over all.

ONE: Bless the LORD, O you his angels,

ALL: You mighty ones who do his word,

ONE: Bless the LORD, all his hosts, who do his will!

ALL: Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

*OPENING HYMN

“God of Our Fathers”

Hymn #710

*INVOCATION

Rev. Nathaniel Stamper

CALL TO CONFESSION

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith, we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed: we have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We repent and we are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life 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.**

*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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MUSICAL OFFERING

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

Heidi Shannon

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 14

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SERMON

“Deliverance”

Dr. Timothy Witmer

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

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Arioso” (BWV 156)

J.S. Bach

*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

O God, who does not need to be enriched with any gifts that we may bring, yet who loves the cheerful giver, receive these our offerings which we present today. We also offer ourselves, a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN “According to Thy Gracious Word” Hymn #423

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

RECEIVING AND SHARING THE ELEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN “We Rest on Thee” Hymn #449

*BENEDICTION (Pastor)

*CONGREGATION THREE-FOLD AMEN

*SILENT MEDITATION

*POSTLUDE “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” J.S. Bach

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

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Ushers: Paul & Dawn Waltman

Greeter: David & Leslie Guyer

Altar Guild: Darlene Smith

Counting Team: Donna Burkholder & Dot Koble

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GATHERING (Congregation seated)
“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Hymn #53

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CHILDREN’S SONG (Children ages 4-8 may leave for Kingdom Kids)

Stop; and let me tell you, what the Lord has done for me,
Stop; and let me tell you, what the Lord has done for me,
He forgave my sin and He saved my soul,
He cleansed my heart and He made me whole,
Stop; and let me tell you, what the Lord has done for me.

Go; and tell the story, of the Christ of Calvary,
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