

ST. STEPHEN REFORMED CHURCH (PCA)
249 E. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557
August 16, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Timothy Witmer

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Adapted from Psalm 118*)

*"Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; For his steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say, His steadfast love endures forever. Let the house of Aaron say,
His steadfast love endures forever. Let those who fear the LORD say,
His steadfast love endures forever.*

HYMN #179 "Hallelujah! Thine the Glory!"

1 We praise thee, O God!
for the days of our youth,
for the bright lamp that shineth —
the Word of thy truth.

Refrain:

Hallelujah! thine the glory,
hallelujah! we sing;
hallelujah! thine the glory,
our praise now we bring.

2 We praise thee, O God!
for the Son of thy love,
for Jesus who died
and is now gone above. [Refrain]

3 We praise thee, O God!
for thy Spirit of light,
who has shown us our Savior
and scattered our night. [Refrain]

4 All glory and praise
to the Lamb that was slain,
who has borne all our sins and
has cleansed ev'ry stain! [Refrain]

INVOCATION

Richard Miller, Elder

MUSICAL OFFERING

"God Leads His Dear Children"
Bob Straton

Arr. Sacks

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 44

SERMON

"Turning Point"

Dr. Timothy Witmer

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN #654 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

1 O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me, my Master and my Friend:
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

2 O let me feel thee near me, the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear:
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

3 O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Douglas Wimer, Organist

THE PURPOSE OF ST. STEPHEN REFORMED CHURCH, "THE BEACON ON THE HILL" IS

TO KNOW Jesus, the light of the world,

John 8:12 "Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the Light of life.'"

TO GROW together as His followers, and

1 John 1:7 "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin."

TO SHOW His light to the world.

Matthew 5:14 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden"