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HEIDELBERG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
251 PERKIOMEN AVENUE, SCHWENKSVILLE, PA 19473
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SERVICE CONDUCTED ON FACEBOOK LIVE & IN-PERSON WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 22, 2020
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Today's Thought:

"There is no one who is insignificant in the purpose of God." ~ Alistair Begg

Centering Words:

*When we care for the poor, clothe the naked, and visit the sick and imprisoned, we are caring for Christ.
 When we love our neighbor, we are really loving God.*

** = Stand in Body or Spirit*

GATHERING TOGETHER

Ringing the Bell

10:30am

Welcome

Pastor Adrian

+ Calling the Meeting to Order

Nick Campanaro

+ Declaration of a Quorum

Moderator

+ Approval of Minutes - November 2019

Prelude

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Pat Clemens

Call to Worship

L: Make a joyful noise, a noise of love and care!

P: Praise God with generosity and compassion!

L: Sing to the Lord with acts of kindness!

P: Give God glory with missions and mercy!

L: Make a joyful noise, a noise of love and care!

P: Praise God with justice and righteousness!

Prayer of Invocation

Pastor Adrian

* Opening Hymn

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

**Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph
 evermore. Life up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**Our Savior, Jesus, reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat
 above. Life up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus
 given. Life up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**Rejoice in glorious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come and gather all the saints to their eternal
 home. Life up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

* Call to Confession

Pastor Adrian

*We know that we have not lived as God hopes. But however fragmented we become, God longs to hold us
 together in grace and peace. Confident in God's grace, together let us confess our sin before God and one
 another ...*

* Prayer of Confession – Silent Prayer

God of glory, we do not always see your glory in the world around us. When we see a person in need, it is not easy to look him in the eye. When we hear a cry for help, it is not easy to offer her quick assurance. When we know of a lonely prisoner, it is not easy to make that unannounced visit. Forgive us when we fail to see you in our everyday lives. Forgive us when we are afraid to act, afraid to care. Encourage us, God of glory. Help us to see others with the eyes of compassion, that we might be your loving presence in the world. In the blessed name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.
[Silent Prayer]

* Words of Assurance

There is immeasurable greatness in the power of God for those who believe. Trust in the Lord, for God's grace is real. In the name of Jesus Christ, who is above all and in all, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

* Hymn of Praise

"Halle-Halle-Halleluja" (x2)

Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halle-Halle-Halleluja. Halleluja. Halleluja.

Children's Chat

"Make a Joyful Noise"

Pastor Adrian

+ Motion to "set aside the rules temporarily" for Nominations

Nick Campanaro

Special Music

"Impossible Things"

Vocalists: Christie Lohr
Isabella Yackanicz
Drums: Bruce Lohr

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Liturgist

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen

Scripture Lessons (NRSV)

Liturgist

Psalm 100

Ephesians 1:15-23

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

* Gospel Lesson (NRSV)

Pastor Adrian

Matthew 25:31-46

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

* 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. Amen.

Sermon

"The Least of These"

Rev. Adrian Tierson

Hymn

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.

We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.

We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.

Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

SHARING FAITH & LIFE

Joys, Concerns & Announcements

Pastor Adrian

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Adrian

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Pastor Adrian

Enter God's gate with thanksgiving and praise. Come to the Lord, who is good. Let us continue God's faithfulness in our acts of giving and works of charity.

+ Motion to Adopt the 2021 Budget

Nick Campanaro

* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

God of steadfast love, receive these expressions of our thanks for the glorious inheritance entrusted to us. We enlist ourselves and our resources toward the realization of your eternal purpose for all humanity. May this congregation become more and more a source of hope for each of us and for all we meet. Amen.

+ Other Business

Nick Campanaro

+ Motion to adjourn the meeting

GOING INTO THE WORLD

* Closing Hymn

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (Verses: 1, 3, 4, 5)

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon the throne; Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of Christ who died for you, and to your risen Savior bring your thanks for life made new.

Crown him the truth, the life who triumphed o'er the grave and rose victorious in the strife, this fallen world to save. Christ's glories now we sing, Christ's name we magnify, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him who rules in peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise: Christ's reign shall have no end, for 'round those wounded feet a fragrant garden shall extend forever green and sweet.

Crown him who holds the years, embracing space and time, Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail! For you have died for me; your praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

* Benediction

Pastor Adrian

* Final Response

"First Song of Isaiah"

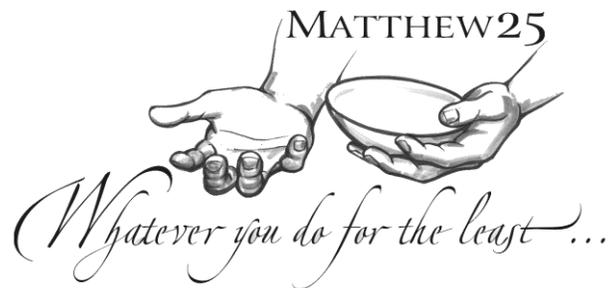
Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense and he will be my Savior.

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	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Arrangements	Warren Doerner	Warren Doerner
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Nursery Care	None	Karen Giannini & Vicki Bosler

Welcome to Heidelberg! Whatever your past, whatever your religious background, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome. Join us for a spiritual journey where God is still speaking. Enter as a guest, depart as a friend.

The **Chancel Bouquet** on the altar is in celebration of the 55th wedding anniversary of Don and MaryLou Richards.

Mask wearing - The Consistory encourages everyone to wear their masks throughout the services.

Next Sunday - Worship Service "First Sunday of Advent" (November 29th): "Facebook Live" and In-Person Worship at 10:30am. We are excited to be able to welcome you to worship in the sanctuary today. Please take a moment to read over the Guidelines in place for in-person worship found on our website (www.hucc.net) and posted within the building.

Youth Sunday School - Classes will be held TODAY. Classes are held during the 10:30am worship service following the Children's Chat.

Nursery Care - The Nursery is available NEXT WEEK. Nursery is offered on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays following the Children's Chat.

Online Donations - If you would like to make a one-time or recurring donation to the ministry of Heidelberg UCC, we have a new and simple way to do that by credit/debit card or by connecting your paypal account right through Facebook. Just click the "Donate" button at the top right of our Facebook Page and follow the very easy steps. Thank you for your support and generosity.

Audio-Visual Team - Would you like to be part of a team that will become our AV experts for our services of worship? We are looking for about 6 people willing to learn the system and improve the system. Please reach out to Tina Richards at 215.534.3851 or ssgrich@aol.com

Daily Bread Community Food Pantry - Due to limiting contact at the food pantry they will not be hosting the Christmas party for the clients of the food pantry at our church this year. They are striving to supply each family with children a turkey in November and again in December. For the clients without children she is giving them a gift card they can use to get whatever they need and it will be ample to provide a turkey if they choose to use it for that. But she really needs help! Each family is only allowed to come in once a month. If you can provide a turkey, you can drop it off between 9 and Noon Monday through Friday. You can back up to the garage door on the side of the building and if it is in the back of your car they will remove it without any contact. (Masks are still required however to protect the volunteers.) If you want to help with sending money, you can send it to them at 3938 Ridge Pike, Collegetown, PA 19426. You can designate it to be used for a turkey or toward a gift card. We sincerely appreciate any help you can give!!!

Chosen 300 Collection - Happy Fall to all! As you are getting out your coats and blankets for the fall and winter just a reminder to please bring to the church any extra blankets, coats, hats, gloves, scarves, or comforters that you will not be using this year. Once again I will be delivering them to the homeless in Philadelphia and Pottstown through Chosen 300 this December. Please have any donations brought in by Thanksgiving. Thank you, Irene Ruggiano.

AmazonSmile - AmazonSmile is very simple to use—all you need is an Amazon account. On your first visit to the site, you will be asked to log in to your Amazon account with an existing username and password (you do not need a separate account for AmazonSmile). You will then be prompted to choose a charity to support. During future visits to the site, AmazonSmile will remember your charity and apply eligible purchases towards your total contribution—it is that easy. **You can find an easy link on our website (www.hucc.net) homepage (lower right column). Click, shop and support!**

At-Home Bible Study - Philippians: God's Guide to Joy - An 8-week Study. On Monday, November 30th from 7-8pm Pastor Adrian will host a gathering for those interested in reviewing what was learned and hear how one another experienced the lessons from Philippians.

Thanksgiving Eve Service - A joint service with Jerusalem Lutheran Church and Heidelberg UCC on Wednesday, November 25th at 7:30pm. The evening offering will be donated to the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry.

Hanging of the Greens - Join us Saturday, November 28th from 1-4pm to help adorn the church for the Advent and Christmas season.

Advent At-Home Study - If you would like to participate in this 4-week study, please see Pastor Adrian for a packet. You will complete this at home to help prepare for the holy season of Advent and Christmas.

Advent Devotionals - Advent devotionals will be available next week for individuals and families. One booklet per family.

Families in Need - Do you know a family or individual in our community that could use an extra Christmas blessing this year? One family has been submitted already. Please let Pastor Adrian know. We are collecting gift cards to be distributed among the families or individuals with a need. Cards to Target, Giant, WaWa, Walmart, Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks, etc. would be some good ideas. If you can make a donation, please have it to the church office by Sunday, December 13th.

Prayer Requests - please e-mail the church office with any prayer concerns and we will keep our prayer list updated.