

OCTOBER 14, 2012

- * WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS
- * PRELUDE
- CALL TO WORSHIP
- INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER
- + CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: (Red) No. 91
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
- + **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**
Almighty and ever gracious God, You call upon us to run the race which is set before us with perseverance, looking to Jesus as we move forward. You call upon us to keep our eyes on the prize, which of course is Christ. We confess how easy it is for us to get distracted and let our eyes wander. Have mercy on us, O God, and help us to keep our constant focus upon You and Your kingdom. May we never stray too far from Your pathway as we seek to live in Your love and serve You faithfully, for we pray in Your name, Amen.
- + ASSURANCE OF PARDON
- + GLORIA PATRI
- CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Harry Johns
- QUIET MEDITATION
- PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE
- TITHES AND OFFERINGS
- OFFERTORY ANTHEM:
"God Our Creator Source and Sustainer"
- + DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION
- + HYMN OF PREPARATION: (Red) No. 307
"O Jesus, I Have Promised"
- SCRIPTURE READINGS: Philippians 3:8-14, Hebrews 12:1-2
- SERMON: Harry Johns**
"Running the Race with Perseverance"
- + HYMN OF RESPONSE: *"Be Thou My Vision"* (Red) No. 303
- + BENEDICTION
- + CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *"Alleluia"*
- + POSTLUDE

+ CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND
* USHERS MAY SEAT THOSE WAITING

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY:

10:00 A.M.

Morning Worship Service

11:00 A.M.

Sunday School for all ages

Attendance last week: 104

12:00 Noon

Session Meeting

THURSDAY:

6:00 P.M.

Choir rehearsal (Church of the Brethren)

Our greeter today is Charlotte Dixon.

Our prayer family for this week is Barbara and Charles Masincup.

The flowers in the sanctuary for the month of October are given by Dot Harvey in memory of her husband Robert Harvey.

There will be a Crop Walk today at 2:00 p.m. at Central United Methodist Church. Let's end Hunger one step at a time.

Beginning next Sunday, October 21st, the Adult Fellowship Class will be starting a new study series lead by Gary Milstead and David Riel. The topic is *"The History of the Christian Church"*. The study leads you through time to learn about when and why the different major denominations came about.

The congregation is invited to Third Presbyterian Church next Sunday, October 21st at 12:00 Noon, to celebrate Jack Wilkers 20th Anniversary. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. Please sign if you are planning to attend, so that Third will know how many are coming.

We need your help! There will be a Church Wide Fall Cleaning Day on Saturday, October 27th, starting at 9:00 a.m. Dana Eastman is heading the project and will compile a list of things that need to be cleaned or spruced up and post them around the church giving you a choice of projects.

The Sunday School Department is participating in Operation Christmas Child by filling shoe boxes for needy children. Fill your boxes with non-perishable items, non-liquid hygiene items, non-violent toys, pads, pencils, etc. Please include at least \$7.00 for postage and handling. Shoe boxes are due in the Sunday School office by Sunday, November 11, 2012. For more information see Wilma Balsley.

Jack Wilkers will be covering for Harry Johns until November 1st.