

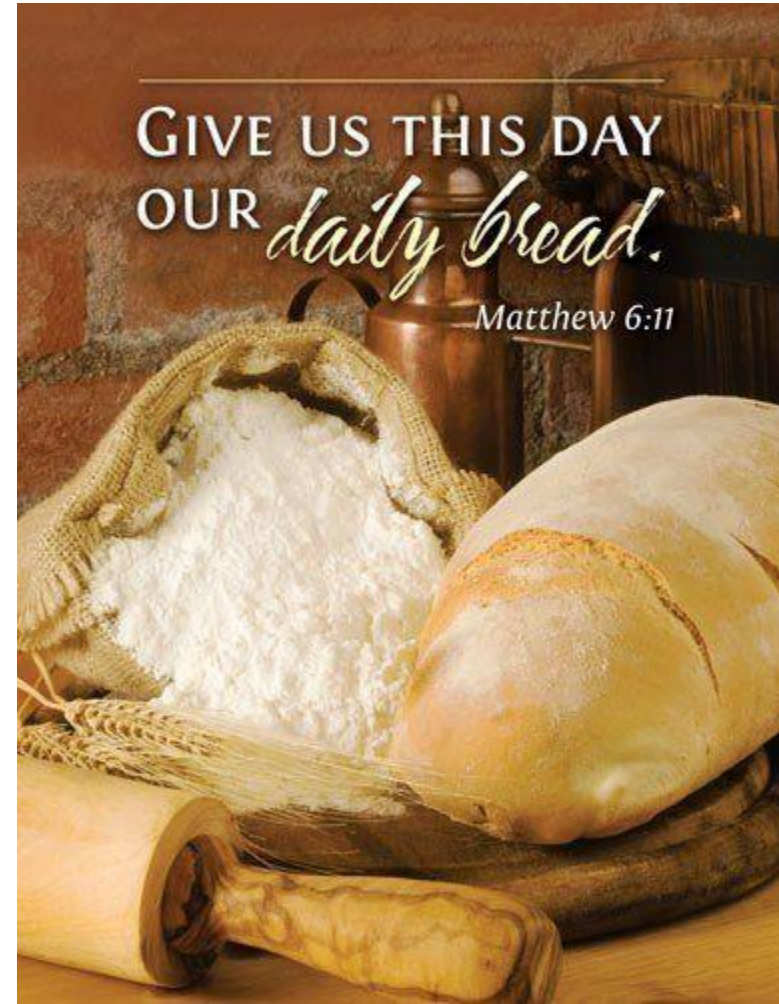
MORNING SCHEDULE
Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship – 10:30 am

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Worship Attendance last Sunday May 16 worship: 63
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“Ligonier (First) Church of the Brethren Is a community of believers who seek to walk passionately with Christ by reaching out in His name, preaching and sharing His gospel, and teaching all to live like Him.”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 9:1-2*

Leader: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;
People: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.
Leader: I will be glad and exult in you;
People: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

*HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King" No. 267

*INVOCATION PRAYER: *Unison Prayer*

Oh Holy Lord, you are worthy of all of our praises. You reign in majesty above us and are our Lord forever. We thank you for allowing us to be graced by your presence today, hallowed be your name. Accept our love and adoration in Jesus' name. We are here to pray, almighty God that you will always light our way with your presence. We resist evil and pray that your light will always shine on us. May all people see your glory through us and come to worship you as the living God. In your name we pray, amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER: *(Please remember to sign the attendance sheets)*

The Lord our God often gives us so many wonderful things that makes our life worth living. He gives us the gift of family and friends, the gift of love and laughter. As humble servants, we should show gratitude and give something back to the Father.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Stacey Knupp

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN "Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow" No. 523

MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE **John 1:29-42**

MESSAGE "How Do You Handle Being Number Two?"

*CLOSING HYMN "What a Wonderful Savior " No. 81

*BENEDICTION
**Please stand if you are able.*

Pastor: Rev. John Shaffer
Lay Leader: Carl Kaurich
Chorister: Ed Wedge
Pianist: Pam Zimmerman

Greeters for May: Michelle "Mickey" Clark
Counting Steward for May: Stacey Knupp

NEW CHURCH WEB PAGE

We have opened the new web page please put this in the bulletin:
The address is: LigonierFirstCob.org

INFORMATION CONCERNING MAY'S OUTREACH – THE ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES

The Association of Churches draws its membership from any Ligonier churches who choose to participate. During a non-covid year it provides weekly Wednesday noon services and luncheons throughout the Lenten season, a Good Friday service (sometimes including a Walk with the Cross component) and an Easter Sunrise service in conjunction with others. A Thanksgiving service and the World Day of Prayer activities are also coordinated through the Association. The local Food Pantry, two Meals on Wheels, and several other activities within the Ligonier Valley are supported through the Association.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Scheduled outreach for May is the Association of Churches -- Please also remember your gently used shoes, wrapped with a rubber band as this project supports the Honduras orphanage we associate with and bring – And don't forget items for the local Food Pantry

Wednesday, 6:30 pm – Bible Study with Pastor John – on the book of Revelation

Thursday, 9:00 am -- The Happy Stitchers

Thursday, 9:00 am to Noon – Pastor John's Office Hours

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, June 5, 9:00 am – Men's Fellowship Breakfast – Please note the change of date from second Saturday to first Saturday of the month

Sunday, June 6, Immediately following worship – Executive Board or General Board Meeting – Listen for announcement

Sunday, June 20 (Father's Day) – Kids will prepare and serve a light picnic luncheon following worship

Sunday, July 18 – Morning Worship will be held at John and Susan Shaffer's Home Pavilion – Roxbury Church of the Brethren will also be invited to participate – Nurture Commission will coordinate a church picnic luncheon following worship – There will be no Sunday School or Church at our church – If a ride is needed, please contact the pastor or any church board member and arrangements will be made

Sunday, July 25 – Rain Date for the Morning Worship at John and Susan Shaffer's Home Pavilion – conflict with this date and Women's Fellowship – watch for an alternate rain date

RITA'S CLOSET

Rita's Closet opens Mondays at the First Church of the Brethren, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. If you are unable to make it on a Monday, please call Darlene Rummel at 814-243-7156 to schedule a time more convenient. All donated clothes were freely given and are free to you. Please come and check us out.

KINGDOM CONCERNS

Jesus Prayer Requests
The Glory of God (John 17);
Workers for the Harvest (*Matthew 9*)
Spiritual Renewal in our Congregation
ALSO: Persecuted Christians; Missions; Peace Workers; Service Persons;
National/International Leaders
Missionaries to Poland: Ashley and Corby White (23rd of each month, please uphold in special prayer as they will also be praying for us on this date)

WESTERN PA DISTRICT

District Office Staff – William Wenger, Amy Bowman, Tina Lehman
District Office Phone Number – 814-479-2181
District Moderator – John Stoner
District Response Team – Herb Ewald
District Leadership Team Chair – James Houghton
Camp Harmony Executive Director – Jen Vickroy
2020 Prayer Partner Congregation: Windber Church of the Brethren

COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Unchurched in Waterford, Ligonier Valley (Welcome and Invite them!)
Valley Youth Network – Kip Crumrine, Director; Sandy Crumrine, Assistant;
Chelsea Carpenter and Kylie Weber, Interns
Ligonier Valley Association of Churches – Janet Riordan, President

ALL OF OUR WORSHIP MINISTRY EXPERIENCES

*Future of our church – Please take five minutes at noon every day to pray for ways to encourage the parents, children and young people who could be coming***

LOCAL CHURCH CONCERNS

Deacon Chairperson – Stacey Knupp
Church Board/Executive Board Chairmen – Richard Jones,
Nurture -- Michelle Black, Stewardship – Becky Kwak, Witness -- Debbie McInchok