#### Today's Announcements:

Sunday School for all ages is at 9:00 am, and the Worship Service is at 10:30. We thank Phil McCloughan for giving the Sermon. Stephen McCloughan is our Accompanist. It is Mission Sunday.

Sermons for the Month of January: 1/28- Russ Topping

Accompanists for January: 1/28- George Warner

The Soup Sales are on the following Saturdays: 1/27, 2/3, 2/17 and 3/2, from 9:00 am-2:00 pm (or until sold out.) If you are able to help sell at the Soup Sales, please sign up on the downstairs bulletin board! Thank vou.

The Annual Reports for 2023 are due to the Church Office during the month of January. If you have done a report in the past, please send one in. If you have any questions, please reach out to Sue. Thank you!

#### Hymn Time:

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Ray Palmer (1808-1887)

Today's hymn was written by Ray Palmer, a 22-year-old school teacher. Several months after his graduation from Yale University, while still living with the family of the lady who directed the girls' school where he taught, Ray wrote the text for this hymn. He had experienced a very discouraging year in which he battled illness and loneliness. Ray later wrote about this time:

The words for these stanzas were born out of my own soul with very little effort. I recall that I wrote the verses with tender emotion. There was not the slightest thought of writing for another eye, least of all writing a hymn for Christian worship. It is well remembered that when writing the last line, "Oh, bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!" the thought of the whole work of redemption and salvation brought me to a degree of emotion that brought abundant tears.

Two years later, Ray chanced to meet his friend Lowell Mason, a well-known name in musical circles during this time. Upon seeing Ray's text, Mason stated, "Palmer, you may live many years and do many good things, but I think you will be best known to posterity as the author of 'My Faith Looks Up to Thee'. Mason composed a melody for the text and published the song in one of his hymnals. From that time on this hymn has had an important place in nearly every hymnal that has been published.

#### Plan Ahead:

**Communion and Boy Scout** Sunday is February 4<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Gregory will be here.

The start of Lent is Ash Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be a Lenten Service here at First Pres. of Lambertville at 7:00 pm. A schedule of the Lenten Services will be coming soon.

Notice of Annual **Congregational Meeting:** Per the Book of Order of the PCUSA: Notice is given to the Annual Meeting of the congregation and corporation to be held immediately following worship, 25 February 2024. By polity, the meeting is limited to the specific requirements of business, hearing from the nominations, election of church officers, and conducting of required business. Only those on the roles of members are able to vote at the annual meeting. Pastor Brad Morgan is our Moderator.

## Ministries This Week:

#### MONDAY

5-7:00 pm LBL 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

#### TUESDAY

5-8:00 pm LBL 9:00 pm AA

#### WEDNESDAY

2:00 pm Ladies' Bible Study 5-9:00 pm LBL

#### THURSDAY

5-9:00 pm LBL

FRIDAY 6:00 pm Roller Skating for Youth to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### **SATURDAY**

7:00 am-4:00 pm LBL 9:00 am-2:00 pm Soup Sale

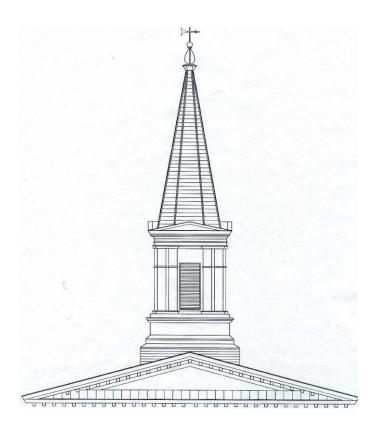
#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

9:00 am Sunday School **10:30 am Worship Russ Topping will be giving the Sermon** George Warner, Accompanist

**Our Elders:** Joanne DiBlasi 215-862-9832 Pat Durborow 609-651-7388 **Phil McCloughan** 609-947-3520 **Heather McIntvre** 610-438-1392 **Don Pidcock** 609-397-3560 **Karen Thatcher** 609-397-8430

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# The Community Church of Lambertville A House of Prayer for All People

# *Since 1816*

Our Mission and Calling:

Lead by the Holy Spirit we will, Celebrate our Lord through vibrant worship Witness by the example of a Christ centered life **Prepare** God's people for service

**Proclaim** the Good News of Salvation through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

# Welcome to the Community Church!



A warm and sincere welcome to one and all! It is a privilege to gather as God's people to open ourselves to the presence of God and to praise God with loving hearts.

Church Office Phone Number: 609-397-0650

Website: www.lambpres.org

## Participating in Today's Service:

Elder: Joanne DiBlasi

January 21, 2024

The Gathering to Praise and Worship

Welcome & Announcements

**Opening Prayer** 

+Call to Worship: #579- Red Hymnal

In God I Trust (Responsive Reading)

+Hymn: #312

Calvary Covers It All

+Glory Be to the Father **#813** 

In the Presence of the Lord

Prayers of Confession/Assurance of Pardon

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Offering/+Doxology **#815** 

Under the Authority of Christ, the Savior

Time for Young Adults

+Hvmn: #539 *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* 

> Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

> > Message:

Confession or a Sermon?

Depart to Serve the Lord

+Hymn: #580

Through It All

+ Benediction

+ Please stand if you are able

+Passing of the Peace

10:30 AM

Deacon: Jen Chernoski

Greeter: Donna Zambella

# Worship Assisting for January:

**Elder Schedule** January 28- Phil McCloughan

**Deacon Schedule** January 28- Terry Peck

**Greeting Schedule** January 28- Joan Yannarella

> **Church Office:** Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10:30 am-2:30 pm Wednesday 1-5:00 pm

The Elder on Call for the Month of January is: Don Pidcock 609-397-3560

About the Message: We understand and know we need to read the Bible. But when you're having trouble reading it, how do you learn God's Word when you struggle to read? Be Honest with yourself and God. The More we see what God has to offer how do we know it is from God?

#### The 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.

forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

forever. Amen.

**Under: \$499.76** 

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory



Stewardship Report as of January 15, 2024

Plate Collected: \$1,270.00

Plate Anticipated: \$1,769.24