

***Today's Announcements:***

**It is Communion Sunday. The Worship Service is at 9:30 am. We thank Pastor Gregory for being with us today. There will be Care & Share after the Worship Service.**

**This is the last Sunday for the 9:30 am Worship Service. Next Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>, The Adult Sunday School will be meeting at 9:00 am in the Adult Sunday School Room. Worship will be at 10:30 am.**

**Sermons for the month of September:**

**Sept. 10- Russ Topping  
Sept. 17-Carin Gallagher  
Sept. 24- Don Pidcock**

**Accompanists for September:  
10 & 17- Stephen McCloughan  
Sept 24- Hilary Orlando**

***Plan Ahead:***

**On Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>, there is a Women's Light Brunch here at First Presbyterian. Ladies, please join us for fellowship. Helen Tielmann will be the guest speaker. The brunch will be from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.**

**The Session Prayer Meeting is Monday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.**

**The Gym will be in use from Thursday 9/14 to Saturday 9/16.**

**On Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, if you are attending the bus trip to Sight & Sound, please be at the CVS-Lambertville parking at 7:30 am. Coffee and donuts will be served!**

***Ministries This Week:***

**MONDAY  
Labor Day Observed**

**TUESDAY  
Sue is out of the office  
9:00 pm AA**

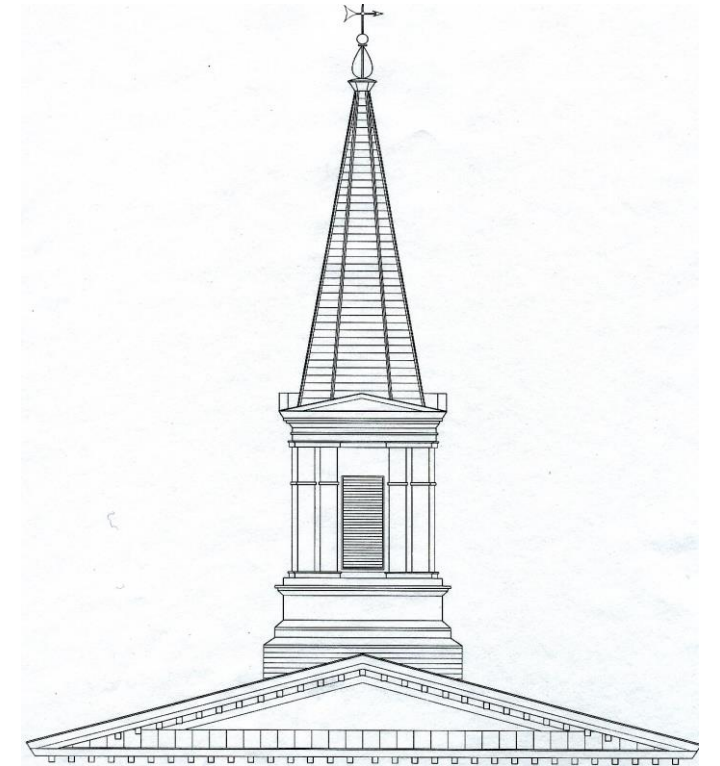
**WEDNESDAY  
2:00 pm Ladies' Bible Study**

**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY  
11:00 am-1:00 pm Women's Brunch in the Library**

**NEXT SUNDAY  
First Sunday of Fall Worship  
9:00 am Adult Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship  
Russ Topping is giving the Sermon  
Stephen McCloughan, Accompanist**



***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***

***Hymn Time:***

**"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"  
Joseph Scriven (1819-1886)**

Joseph had wealth, education, a devoted family and a pleasant life in his native Ireland. Then unexpected tragedy entered. On the day before Joseph's wedding, his fiancée was thrown from her horse and drowned. In his deep sorrow, Joseph realized that he could find the comfort and support he needed only in his dearest friend, Jesus.

Joseph left Ireland for Port Hope, Canada and dramatically changed his lifestyle. He was determined to devote all of his extra time in being a friend and helper to others. Joseph often gave away his clothes and possessions to those in need. He worked, without pay, for anyone who needed him. Joseph became known as "the Good Samaritan of Port Hope".

When Joseph's mother became ill in Ireland, he wrote her a letter and enclosed the words of his newly written poem. Joseph's prayer was that his poem would remind his mother that she had a never-failing heavenly Friend. Later, a friend who came to visit Joseph happened to see the poem in Joseph's home. The friend read the poem and asked Joseph, "Who wrote these beautiful words?" Joseph replied, "The Lord and I did it between us."

As we sing Joseph's poem this morning, pledge to make an effort to spend more time this week with your never-failing heavenly Friend.

**Our Elders:**

**Joanne DiBlasi  
215-862-9832**

**Pat Durborow  
609-651-7388**

**Phil McCloughan  
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**Heather McIntyre  
610-438-1392**

**Don Pidcock  
609-397-3560**

**Karen Thatcher  
609-397-8430**

**Our Deacons:**

**Gail Armitage  
215-862-9385**

**Jen Chernoski  
609-234-1216**

**Heidi Danberry  
609-865-7254**

**LaNelle Gallagher  
609-306-1479**

**Terry Peck  
908-500-5486**

**Heather Pursell  
609-610-8483**

**Our Missions Team:**

**Addie Andino  
215-862-9832**

**Gail Armitage  
215-862-9385**

**Konni Sandford  
609-865-6072**

**Russ Topping  
609-397-4856**

**Donna Zambella  
609-397-1814**

September 3, 2023  
9:30 AM

**Communion Sunday**

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

**+Call to Worship: Red Hymnal #646**

*Present Your Requests to God*

+Passing of the Peace

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

**+Hymn: #370**

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

**In the Presence of the Lord**

Prayers of Confession/Assurance of Pardon

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Offering/+Doxology #815

**Special Music: Ladies' Ensemble**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

**Under the Authority of Christ, the Savior**

**Time for Children**

**Scripture:**

*Matthew 6:5-10*

**Message:**

*News Flash: You Are Not the Center of the Universe*

**+Hymn: #358**

*Because He Lives*

**Special Music: Ladies' Ensemble**

*In Remembrance*

**At the Table of the Lord**

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Statement of Unity

**Depart to Serve the Lord**

**+Hymn #630**

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

**Charge & Benediction**

+ Please stand if you are able

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](http://www.lambpres.org)**

***Participating in Today's Service:***

**Elder: Communion/Karen Thatcher**

**Deacon: Communion \*Heidi Danberry (Stair Glide), Heather Pursell**

**Greeter: Connie Fisher**

***Worship Assisting for September:***

**Elder Schedule**

Sept. 10- Don Pidcock

Sept. 17- Joanne DiBlasi

Sept. 24- Pat Durborow

**Deacon Schedule**

Sept. 10- Jen Chernoski

Sept. 17- Terry Peck

Sept. 24- LaNelle Gallagher

**Greeting Schedule**

Sept. 10- Joan Yannarella

Sept. 17- Carol Griffiths

Sept. 24- Gail Armitage

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

**The Elder on Call after Office Hours  
for the Month of September is:  
Joanne DiBlasi- 215- 862-9832**

***About the Message:***

*Our modern social media and entertainment tries to convince us of three lies. It is all about you. You are the center of the Universe. And you are all you need. Well, Scripture and Jesus has another message today. In his instruction about Prayer who comes first, you or God? His praise, or your laundry list of this or that? And when was exactly the last time you did pray outside the walls of this church? What caused that to happen. And did you do all the talking? Remember prayer is a two-way street. Don't expect to hear the voice of God if you never give him a moment to respond, or you do all the talking.*

**Confession of Faith**

*This is what we confess as a Body of Christ. The Bible is the inerrant Word of God. The sole authority in all matters of life and faith. We confess that Jesus Christ alone is the only name of Salvation. We confess that the Holy Spirit alone brings New Life and holiness to the Church. Guided by such, we affirm, and we as a Body of Christ stand upon the solid rock of our Lord Jesus Christ, and we will not be moved.*

