

ST. STEPHEN REFORMED CHURCH (PCA)
249 E. Main St., New Holland, PA 17557
July 22, 2018 – 10:30 A.M.

*Indicates those able may stand

PIANO PRELUDE – Please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship.

GATHERING (Congregation seated)

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Hymn #343

WELCOME

Dr. Timothy Witmer

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Adapted from Psalm 107*)

ONE: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good

ALL: For his steadfast love endures forever!

ONE: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,

ALL: Whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands,

ONE: From the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

ALL: Let them consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

*OPENING HYMN

“Arise, My Soul, Arise”

Hymn #305

*INVOCATION

CALL TO CONFESSION (*Psalm 33:18 NAS*)

“Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him, on those who hope for His lovingkindness.” In light of His great mercy, let us confess our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love, we have sinned in ignorance, we have sinned in weakness, and we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us and renew our lives through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “The 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.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH

(Westminster Catechism Questions 92, 94, and 95)

ONE: What is a sacrament?

ALL: A sacrament is an holy ordinance instituted by Christ, wherein, by sensible signs, Christ, and the benefits of the new covenant, are represented, sealed, and applied to believers.

ONE: What is baptism?

ALL: Baptism is a sacrament, wherein the washing with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, doth signify and seal our ingrafting into Christ, and partaking of the benefits of the covenant of grace, and our engagement to be the Lord’ s.

ONE: To whom is baptism to be administered?

ALL: Baptism is not to be administered to any that are out of the visible church, till they profess their faith in Christ, and obedience to him; but the infants of such as are members of the visible church are to be baptized.

MUSICAL OFFERING

“If With All Your Hearts”
(Ben McClain, clarinet)

Mendelssohn

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

CHILDREN’S SONG

Father Abraham had many sons
Many sons had Father Abraham
I am one of them and so are you
So let’s all praise the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 17

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ORGAN PRELUDE

“Pavane” (Ben McClain, clarinet) G. Faure

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PRAYER FOR MERCY (Kyrie) “Lord Have Mercy upon Us”

ONE: Lord, have mercy upon us.

ALL: Lord, have mercy upon us.

ONE: Christ, have mercy upon us.

ALL: Christ, have mercy upon us.

ONE: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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SERMON

“Signed, Sealed, Delivered . . .”

Rev. Nathaniel Stamper

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts, debtors)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

