

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

***Closing Hymn** *When Peace Like a River* (See Insert)

***Charge and Benediction**

Choral Benediction

Postlude *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah* arr. by James Mansfield
Belinda Vair-Accompanist/Choir Director

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us with this morning's coffee hour/fellowship time*

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10:30am

**WELCOME: TO THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, WITH
JOHNSTOWN FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. WELCOME TO ALL JOINING US HERE
AND ON YOUTUBE. PLEASE REMEMBER TO SHARE THE SERVICE WITH FRIENDS
AND FAMILY. WE WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT YOU ALWAYS HAVE A PLACE HERE.**

LAURA RUEHLE

Mission of the Month James A. Brennan Memorial Humane Society

Prelude *Prelude in e Minor* F. Chopin
Belinda Vair/Accompanist-Choir Director

Choral Introit

Call To Worship Laura Ruehle

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,

People: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Leader: Though the strong wind of judgment blows, all is not ended. God will renew stubborn hearts and soften stiff necks,

People: for Jesus welcomed sinners and ate with them,

Leader: so we boldly come to make an offering of worship to the God of mercy, who seeks and saves the lost.

People: Let us rejoice in the grace of our Lord!

(PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT)

***Opening Hymn** #302 *Lord of the Dance*

Call to Confession

There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

Let the sound of our confession cause celebration in heaven.

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Create in us clean hearts, O God, cast out any transgression you find there—ransack, renovate, redecorate!

People: Deep in our hearts, remove fearful features and restore your original design. The old lamps are dim; bring new light into the darkness. Make your dwelling place deep in our hearts, and teach us wisdom, so the hearts you transform may rejoice.

Leader: Let us take a moment for silent confession and personal reflection.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ came into the world to have sinners. Believe the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are redeemed.

***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! Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify You in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Helen Thompson

Psalm 96:1-9 (Pew Bible Page #550)

Ephesians 3:14-21 (Pew Bible Page #193)

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God. And we all say:

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *Shepherd of My Life*

Mary & Joseph Martin

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Rev. Dr. RW Williams

Prayers of the People and 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. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.