

# IMMANUEL LEIDY'S CHURCH

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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ORGAN PRELUDE  
FELLOWSHIP OF THE CHURCH  
PULPIT COMMITTEE UPDATE

## A LITURGY OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

### \* HYMNS OF WORSHIP:

#626 *I Love to Tell the Story*  
#624 *Since Jesus Came into My Heart*  
#629 *Through It All (2x)*

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES: Joshua 1:1-9 (page 161)  
Matthew 26:47-56 (page 23)  
Ephesians 6:10-24 (page 153)

THE SERMON: "A Battle Rages We are Equipped to Fight"

### \* CONFESSION OF SIN: (first in silence then in unison)

**C: Almighty and most merciful God, we have strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have gone against Your laws. We have left undone those things we should have done, and we have done those things we should never have done. Have mercy upon us. Make us whole. And help us to live a righteous life to the glory of Your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### \* ASSURANCE OF PARDON: #104 *Amazing Grace*

### \* THE APOSTLES' CREED

THE OFFERING (please pass pew pads if not already done)

THE OFFERTORY

AN ANTHEM: *Come to the Table of the Lord* – Chancel Choir

### \* THE DOXOLOGY, MORNING PRAYER, & LORD'S PRAYER

### \* THE CLOSING HYMN: #491 *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

### \* THE COMMISSION & THE BENEDICTION

### \* THE THREEFOLD AMEN

### \* SILENT MEDITATION – PLEASE REMAIN AT YOUR PEWS IN A WORSHIPFUL ATTITUDE UNTIL THE PASTOR LEAVES

### \* ORGAN POSTLUDE

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\*Indicates congregation standing; P = Pastor; C = Congregation

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS who are worshiping with us. We pray you will have a meaningful time of worship and invite you to worship with us again.

OUR SINCERE Christian sympathy to Bob Bugge and family at the death of his wife, Ruth. May God be with them at this time.

THE CHANCEL flowers are placed by Sherman and Karen Focht in thanksgiving to God for the many blessings of family, church family, and for 58 years of marriage

USHER CAPTAINS: Jim Kinney, Ron Moyer

## WORSHIP SERVICE CHILDCARE TODAY:

**Nursery** – Guppies (0 to 3 years)

Rachel Leidy, Mariah Foote, Kathryn DiLenge

**Children's Church** – (3 to 5 years)

Jim and Angela Kinney

## WITHIN THE FELLOWSHIP:

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** Nicholas Keeble 16<sup>th</sup>; Andrew Camuso, Gladys Fisher, Priscilla Martindell 17<sup>th</sup>; Margaret Finley 19<sup>th</sup>; Caleb DiLenge 20<sup>th</sup>; Velva Stevenson 21<sup>st</sup>; Dave Guntz, Patty Kendall 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** Andrew and Carly Camuso 18<sup>th</sup>; Gary and Karen Brown, Ken and Connie Merritt 19<sup>th</sup>; Larry and Jean Frederick 21<sup>st</sup>.

THE SERMON TITLE this morning is *A Battle Rages We are Equipped to Fight*. As Christians, we are all in a spiritual battle, of which no one is exempt. This battle has had many casualties, from the deeply wounded to actual fatalities. Our adversaries in this battle often appear to us as merely of this world; but the Apostle Paul teaches our fight is not against flesh and blood, so the weapons to fight this battle are not of this world. We will examine God's spiritual weapons and learn more about how to use them in this battle to have victory in Christ.

86% OF WOMEN WOULD CHOOSE LIFE if just one person will support them. Will you Be The ONE? When you participate in Walk 2021 for the North Care Women's Center, you are saying, "Yes, I will be the ONE person who helps a woman choose life!" Be The One Walk 2021 is on Saturday, September 25th at Franconia Community Park. Enjoy a Chick-fil-A gift for all pre-registered walkers! Details and registration at [www.prcnorthpenn.org](http://www.prcnorthpenn.org) or see Ruthie Niederhaus.

EVERY GOOD GIFT, a ministry we support which provides job training for young single moms from generational poverty, is hosting a virtual fundraiser on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, from 7 to 7:45 pm. Hear how God has blessed EGG in 2021 and find out how you can make an impact in the coming year. To participate, RSVP via email at [info@everygoodgift.org](mailto:info@everygoodgift.org).

GRACE NOTES CHOIR will be starting up again this week in the choir room on the first floor at 5:00 You don't need to be part of iBlast to participate...but we are done in time for dinner! All kids grades K-5th grades are welcome to join us.... we sing a little, play some musical games and we love to sing in church! See Donna Frueh or Laurie Plank for more info or just come to the choir room on Wednesday.

ARE YOU READY AND WILLING? It may be possible for Leidy's Church to sponsor an Afghan refugee family. This is no small task. It would require a core team of 6 to 12 individuals working together. It would be labor and time intensive. If you might be interested in being part of such a project, please contact the church office soon. This would encompass housing setup, transportation, community connections, education liaison, budget mentoring, friendship, perhaps English tutoring, and other matters depending on the particular family being sponsored. Bethany Christian Service would provide orientation, encouragement, resources, and other helps all along the way. The goal is to have the refugees self-sufficient in six months time.

A/V HELP NEEDED: We are in need of people to work in the booth on Sunday mornings. Contact the church office or speak to Sam Im.

THE IBLAST PROGRAM is in need of used magazines. If you have any, they can be left in the appropriately marked box in the office. Thank you.

FIRST EVER PA MARCH FOR LIFE happens on Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. A Perkiomen coach will be leaving from the Leidy's Church parking lot at 7:30 that morning; it hopes to be back at that location by 5 in the afternoon. There will be a Rally at 11 on the steps of the Capitol Building and the March takes place at noon. There is no cost for this bus trip – the PA Family Institute has an anonymous donor that is underwriting the cost for a bus from each county in PA! There are 10 seats left, call the church office to register for your seat on the bus to the PA March for Life Rally.

THE MARTINDELL'S would like to thank the church family for how graciously they helped them during Bambi's recovery from Bell's palsy although she's not 100% healed and would still appreciate your prayers, she's much improved. Thank you so much for the prayers, the meals, the cards, and the well wishes. We were touched by everyone's gracious love poured out to our family.

AFGHAN REFUGEES BOXES, ETC. The Church & Community Committee met this week. High on their agenda was how to help the Afghan refugees. On an insert you'll find specific boxes that are needed. Many boxes of each type are needed. They are needed sooner rather than later, hence, *we ask that all boxes be at the church no later than September 26<sup>th</sup>*. If you can bring them earlier, that's good. The refugees are due to begin leaving McGuire Air Force base this week. Consult the insert to see what your family or your small group or your book club or your neighbors or your SS class might want to do.

PATTERNS OF PRAYER take place the first and third Saturdays of each month. We pray in the morning from 10 to 12 in Rm. 117. Participants are welcome to come and go as schedules permit/necessitate. This Saturday is the third Saturday of September, so we'll be praying and you're welcome to join as well. If you have any questions or suggestions for prayer, please speak with Patricia Martindell.

## GOSPEL GLEANING PRAYER POINTERS

- ◆ **When someone is converted, it's the beginning** of a new way of living. That new way of living does not come about automatically. Temptations, pitfalls, and allurements must be confronted. One of the major areas where this occurs is in finances. The new believers among the Erukula people face this reality. It is a struggle they must face. Our prayer for them this week is for their hearts to pray in the fashion of Psalm 119:36. It's a good prayer, one that is not inappropriate for any of us. Here's what it says: ***Incline my heart to Your testimonies and not to dishonest gain.*** Lord, let it be so among all Your people, including me.
- ◆ **The Global Disciples regional director for Niger** is asking for prayer against the threat of terrorism. There is much danger; many are in fear. The Human Rights Watch reports over 420 deaths in Niger from terrorism this year. Tens of thousands have been forced to flee from their homes. The attacks have come in all sorts of circumstances: people pulled off public transportation, while tending to livestock, while at funerals, while getting water from wells. Pray that God will protect the believers in Niger, empower them to stand strong in Christ and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus. Pray especially for protection for the Global Disciples staff and program Directors for wisdom, anointing, and protection.

WANTED: Gently used bras (including sports, nursing and camisoles). There is a strong demand for used clothing in poorer countries. Bras are especially valued and command top dollar in the marketplace. Free The Girls is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that collects gently used and new bras that are then used as inventory for formerly trafficked women to launch their own business selling bras in their local markets. Just four bras provide a living wage for a woman in El Salvador. Two hundred bras are a half year's inventory for a woman in Mozambique. There is a collection box in the narthex coat closet for your donations. Thank you

iBLAST – We've told you how great it is, but don't take our word for it. Go see what our kids have said about their time at iBlast. Once you are convinced, sign up at [leidyschurch.org/iblast](http://leidyschurch.org/iblast).

THE CARE COMMITTEE meets tomorrow evening at 6:30 in Room 211.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets this Friday morning at 5:30 in the Youth Room.

## THIS WEEK AT LEIDY'S

MONDAY	8:30 a.m.	CC Homeschool
	9:00 a.m.	C.R. Resvd.
	5:00 p.m.	Rm. 111 Resvd.
	6:00 p.m.	Women's Volleyball
	6:30 p.m.	Care Com. Mtg. – Rm. 211
TUESDAY	8:00 a.m.	Veritas Homeschool
	9:30 a.m.	Gym Resvd.
	7:00 p.m.	Grace Community – F.H.
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Pulpit Committee – C.R.
	9:00 a.m.	Rummage Sort
	5:00 p.m.	Grace Notes Choir
	6:00 p.m.	iBlast
	7:00 p.m.	Missions Mtg. – C.R.
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Bell Choir
THURSDAY	8:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir
	9:00 a.m.	Precept Bible Study
	5:00 p.m.	Rm 111 Resvd.
FRIDAY	5:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
SATURDAY	9:00 a.m.	Youth Room Resvd.
	10:00 a.m.	Patterns of Prayer
SUNDAY	8:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service

## LOOKING AHEAD

September 19	Prayer Card Sunday
September 25	Love Cradle Banquet
September 27	March for Life PA