



*“growing a family
to reach a community”*

Loving God, loving one another, and embracing
our community and world with Jesus

Lord's Day Worship

December 4, 2022

Call to Worship

Isaiah 7:13-14

Then Isaiah said, "Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also?" ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Song

Opening Prayer

Confessing Our Sins Together

John 7:40-44

Lord Jesus, we confess that so often, we don't know how we ought to respond to you. You say things in your Word that make so much sense one minute, and which puzzle us to no end the next. Before you, we are exposed as wretched sinners, and yet loved as precious children. You rule and reign over all of creation, but so often we think that you have nothing to say about what we're going through in our lives, and we follow our own hearts, which are fallen and sinful. Lord, we need your wisdom.

Thank you, Jesus, for showing us what true wisdom is, and for delivering to us the true words of God. Let us soak them into our minds and souls so that we remember them and live by them. Encourage us with your declaration of "no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus," and lead us to follow you as those who are free by your perfect life, sacrificial death in our place, and resurrection from the dead.

Holy Spirit, unite us to Jesus not only in our salvation, but give us also the mind of Christ, that we would want what He wants and do what He does. In His name we pray, amen.

Rejoicing in Our Forgiveness

1 Corinthians 1:27-30

But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

Is He Worthy

Song

O Lord My Rock and My Redeemer

Song

Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

Elder Roy Van Camp

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

I Need Thee Every Hour

Song

Hearing God's Word Together

The Gospel According to Mark

Mark 1:21-39

How Will You Respond to Jesus?

Rev. Jonathan Kuciemba

I Will Glory in My Redeemer

Song

Celebrating the Lord's Supper Together

Break Thou the Bread of Life

Hymn #146

Benediction

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:21-39 (English Standard Version)

²¹ And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²² And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³ And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴ “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ²⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶ And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷ And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸ And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

²⁹ And immediately he^[a] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. ³¹ And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³² That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. ³³ And the whole city was gathered together at the door. ³⁴ And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵ And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. ³⁶ And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, ³⁷ and they found him and said to him, “Everyone is looking for you.” ³⁸ And he said to them, “Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out.” ³⁹ And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel According to Mark
Mark 1:21-39
How Will You Respond to Jesus?

I. The Demon

1. Who Is Jesus?

2. Option #1 for Responding

II. The Mother-In-Law / People of Capernaum

3. Who Is Jesus?

4. Option #2 for Responding

5. Option #3 for Responding

III. The Disciple

6. Who Is Jesus?

7. Option #4 for Responding

Additional Sermon Notes:

Providence Activities

December 4, 2022

Task Schedule	This Week	Next Week
Greeting Upper-Level.....	S. McClure / B. Carr	Rhodes
Greeting Lower-Level.....	M. Weber / M. Beatrice	Henderson
Coffee Fellowship Host	Achenbach / Jarratt.....	Miles
Nursery.....	P. Fryauff / M. Vargas.....	B. Lacock / A. Manyok
Nursery Helper	K. Zimmerman / J. Fryauff	R. Manyok / E. Lacock
Sound Booth.....	Sam (B) / Isaac (L)	Darrin (B) / Abby (L)
Communion.....	Carol Lacock	
Congregational prayer led by....	Roy Van Camp	Roy Van Camp
Deacon of the Month.....	Gary Stever	Gary Stever

This Week:

Today.....	Christmas Choir Rehearsal. 12:15 p.m. in the sanctuary
.....	Varsity Singers 6:00 p.m., in the sanctuary
Tuesday	Ladies 2 <i>Chronicles</i> Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. in the lower-level foyer
.....	Elder’s Wives Prayer Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
.....	Session Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at church
Wednesday	Men’s Fellowship Breakfast, 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
.....	Senior Sister’s Mug-N-Muffin, 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Thursday.....	Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark, 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Saturday	Stitches of Love, 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Future:

December 11.....	Christmas Banquet and Annual Congregational Meeting
December 12.....	Ladies Cookie Exchange, 6:30 p.m. at Carol Lacock’s home, Quakertown
December 18.....	Discovering Providence Class, 12:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Announcements:

Please join us tonight as we host the **Varsity Singers at Providence**. Starting at 6:00 p.m. the choir will fill our sanctuary with amazing musical talent. Invite your family and friends to come. After the concert we will have refreshments to get to know the singers and their families. If you are able please bring a finger food to share. A love offering will be collected for Quakertown Community High School Music Program.

The background of the entire page is decorated with various Christmas cookies. There are star-shaped cookies in teal, orange, and pink, some with intricate white patterns. There are also Christmas tree-shaped cookies in pink, orange, and blue. Small colored dots (teal, orange, pink) are scattered throughout the background.

ladies COOKIE exchange

Join us for a fun Christmas cookie swap! If you are not a baker, come enjoy some sweet fellowship!

MONDAY 12 DECEMBER

6:30pm at Carol Lacock's home
(12 Live Oak Drive, Quakertown, PA 18951)

For the cookie exchange: please bring 5-7 little bags of your favorite cookies to swap. You can also bring copies of your recipe to share!

Everyone: please bring a plate of cookies to share if you can.

If you have any questions, please contact Natalia



Join Us Dec. 4th

*For a Fabulous Christmas Concert by
the Varsity Singers!*

Directed by Ms. Erin Camburn
Quakertown Community High School

6:00 p.m.
at Providence Presbyterian Church
2200 Krammes Road, Quakertown.



*If you are able, please bring a finger food to share
during our fellowship time.*

Free Concert | Refreshments served
Love Offering collected for QHS Music Program

Blessing Baskets

This year we are doing themed Christmas Baskets for Christ's Cupboard Food Pantry. We are looking for donations of full baskets, empty baskets and items to fill the baskets.

WOULD YOU PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING THE FOLLOWING:



EMPTY BASKETS

We need empty baskets, pretty gift boxes or pretty holiday tins

FUN ITEMS

Think of needful items, like toiletries, and fun themed items (like popcorn and candy for a Movie Night basket or teas and cookies for a Tea Party basket)



FULL, READY-TO-GO, THEMED BASKETS



Some examples of themes: movie night, spa/relaxing, tea party, arts & crafts, coffee, new baby, sports, gardening, meats & cheeses, kitchen gadgets, game night, chocolate, toy basket, book basket, etc.

PLEASE WRAP BASKET WITH CLEAR CELLOPHANE AND BOW

Baskets will be given to men, women, children and babies - you can choose the theme, gender and age range! **Please bring baskets and items to church by Sunday, December 11.**

For questions, please contact Susan McClure



Wawa and Giant Gift Cards To bless Crossroads Pregnancy Clients

We have the opportunity to bless the clients at Crossroads Pregnancy Care with gift cards that will be used for gas and/or food as the clients need them. For the next couple of weeks in December please consider giving a \$10.00 gift card from either WAWA or GIANT OR you may give money and the gift cards will be purchased. Please place your gift card or money (in an envelope marked CPC gift card) in the collection plate, wooden box provided in the upper-level foyer or give to Sue Wilsey. CPC requests ONLY \$10.00 cards from WAWA or GIANT.

December 18th will be our last day to collect the gift cards.

Thank you for your generosity.

~Sue Wilsey

