

First Presbyterian Church

101 South Decatur Street

Strasburg PA 17579

(717) 687-6030

www.straspres.org / straspres@straspres.org

Sunday, October 21, 2018

8:30am

As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence.
Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.
"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"* –Holden / *"Crown Him King of Kings"* - Damazio
"Glorify Thy Name" – Adkins / *"Majesty"* – Hayford

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 126

Leader: The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

People: **May those who sow in tears, reap with shouts of joy.**

* HYMN

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

No. 281

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Loving God, You have always guided and directed our steps. Even as we consistently refuse to follow Your presence, You open our eyes to see Your path which leads to a way of peace and justice. Forgive us for refusing to knock so that You could open the doors of a complete relationship with You. Forgive us for refusing to soften our hearts when we are faced with overwhelming evidence of pain. Thank you for providing us with a refuge, an assurance, yes, even a confidence in the promise of eternal life. Through the one who opened all of our eyes, Jesus our Savior. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Beth Feiler

(For those who wish, children grades K-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 9:15-18 (OT p127)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 7:7-12 (NT p7)

SERMON

"Open the Eyes of Our Hearts"

Rev. Dr. Debra Bronkema

*HYMN

"Seek Ye First" (sing vv. 1, 2, 1)

No. 333

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"We Will Glorify" – Paris / *"Worthy, You Are Worthy"* -- Moen

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*HYMN

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

No. 324

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

*POSTLUDE

"Glorious Is Thy Name" – McKinney

Next Week (Reformation Sunday)

Exodus 34:29-35

Acts 6:8-15

"The Law Has Been Fulfilled"

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

*Praise & Worship

Head to the Heart

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

How Great is Our God

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message: Beth Feiler

(For those who wish, children grades K-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

Scripture Reading

Numbers 9:15-18; Matthew 7:7-12

Sermon

"Open the Eyes of Our Hearts"

*Offering/Closing Song

Open the Eyes of My Heart

*Benediction

SERMON NOTES:
