

# Protestant Fellowship Community Newsletter July, 2025



# "Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness"

Worship is the highest form of love a created being can experience.

Angels can worship. Human beings can worship. Animals cannot worship.

Worship is a choice. Worship is a choice because love is a choice. It is the most important choice you can make. It is a real choice that reveals who you are, who you are becoming, and how you will live now and forever.

Worship fulfills the first part of the summary of the Law of Moses. Love God with all of your heart, all of your soul, and all of your mind. All means all.

We are called to worship the Father in spirit and in truth.

God is personal. God is One. The One God is the three co-eternal persons of love. That love manifests itself in personal relationships. Divine love is revealed in personal relationships.

Corporate worship helps fulfill the second part of the summary of the Law. Love your neighbor. We become more of who our Heavenly Father created us to be as we gather together to worship our living Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit completes us in the Body of Christ through worship and fellowship.

In worship we experience the real presence of God. God who reveals His Name as "I AM" (YAHWEH). In worship we discover that God is. He is personal presence in the present moment. He gives Himself to us in Jesus through the words of Scripture and in the sacrament of Holy Communion and in the fellowship of the assembled community of Faith.

The Holy Spirit who lives within us inspires us to sanctify the memory of the resurrection by gathering together on Sunday for prayer, singing hymns, listening to the reading of the Bible, preaching Good News and sharing the experience with other believers.

In the traditional pattern of Christian worship, we enter the real presence of the Eternal Father, through the sacrificial love of the incarnate Son so we can be transformed by the indwelling grace of the Holy Spirit.

Sunday worship is the Father's gift that invites us to make a real choice to experience a foretaste of the wonder, joy, and delight of eternal life in the here and now. It is the time and place for sanctifying grace to transform our mind, heart and will.

Worship is a gift that God gives us. Worship is a choice we make to enter the Great Amen of grace. Our presence at Sunday worship is our own personal "Amen" to the Father's Plan of Salvation.

In worship, we experience the reality of eternal life in a singular moment of time that transforms time and makes all things new in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayerfully submitted by Fr. Ernest Curtin

# Protestant Worship During July, 2025

Each Sunday at 2:00 pm from the Chapel with Prelude at 1:45; also on ACTV channel 976 (standard definition) / 980 (high definition) All are Welcome to join us in the Chapel on Sunday Afternoons

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Sunday, July 6	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Kelly Roman, Chaplain at Chandler Hall Hospice and Palliative Care, Newtown, PA, will preach and officiate Communion. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Susan Bishop; pianist: Betty Kingston.
Sunday, July 13	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Sean Tripline, Assistant Pastor at Bethlehem Baptist Church, Spring House, PA, will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:30. Organist: Bud Williams; pianist: Betty Kingston.
Sunday, July 20	Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Lori Exley, Rector at Redemption Episcopal Church, Southampton, PA, will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Joan Kirk; pianist: Betty Kingston.
Sunday, July 27	Seventh Sunday After Pentecost Rev. Amy Martin, Pastoral Ministries Associate at Ann's Choice will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Ann Keesey; pianist: Betty Kingston.

Ministries in Continuing Care: Monthly Protestant Communion service is held in Memory Care. Pastoral Visits and Home Communion are also available. Also, each week, worship bulletins and hymns are delivered to residents at RG and CP and to those who have asked for them on a regular basis. Please contact Pastoral Ministries at (215) 443-3831 to volunteer, or if you have any questions.

#### **Ann's Choice Pastoral Associate**

As Pastoral Associate, Rev. Amy Martin devotes part of her time supporting the Mission of the Protestant Fellowship Council. Stop by her office in Liberty Commons to introduce yourself and meet her. Or you can call and leave a message for her at (215) 443-3831; send an email (Amy.Martin@erickson.com); or write a note on an offering envelope and leave it in the offering plate at Chapel worship.

#### **Bible Study:**

Weekly Bible study meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Liberty Commons Room. We are studying the Acts of the Apostles (by the Holy Spirit). Contact Rev. Na at (215) 443-4925, Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty or at <a href="mailto:Kang.Na@erickson.com">Kang.Na@erickson.com</a> for more information.

Quiet Reflections and Prayers: The Chapel at Ann's Choice is open daily for private reflection when worship services and other events are not being conducted.

## **Supporting Our Ministry and Mission:**

You can help support the mission projects and ministries of the Protestant Fellowship. Donations may be enclosed in an envelope addressed to Rev. Martin and taken to any clubhouse front desk. Donations by check are preferred; please make the check payable to "A. C. – Protestant Fund".

On the memo line, please write "Donation."

#### **Handmade Greeting Card Outreach:**

The Protestant Fellowship Council invites residents to join us in creating handmade thank you cards for Veterans who live at Ann's Choice. Next meeting is Tuesday, July 8 from 1:00 to 3:00 in the Village Craft Room. For more information contact Shanda Custer at (513)739-6258, sfcuster@aol.com.

# "Christmas in July" Holiday Movie Bingo:

The date is Friday, July 18, from 12:45 to 3:00 p.m. The location is the Liberty Commons Music Room. Popcorn and beverages will be provided. Bingo cards will be provided. There are prizes—just not serious ones!

Admission: 1 can of hearty soup for the Food Bank Drive later in July or a free will donation to benefit the food back. Wear an ugly Christmas sweater if you have one. More info is coming. Room capacity is 50, so please let Donna know if you plan to attend (<a href="https://heyrevbev@aol.com">heyrevbev@aol.com</a>, HR 309, 215-323-4549).

# Spotlight on Mission - Support a Local Food Bank:

This summer the Protestant Fellowship Council and the Catholic Council will jointly conduct a food drive to benefit the Bethanna Jesus Focus Ministry Food Pantry in Southampton, PA. The Pantry gives hope and comfort to children and adults living in Bucks County. The drive will take place from Monday, July 28 through Thursday, August 8.



Save the insert and take it shopping for donation items.

## **Chapel Worship Comments**

We appreciate your thoughts, questions, or comments about your experience in Chapel on July You may use this form to provide comments on:						
1. Music:						
2. Preacher:	·					
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**Second Saturday Cinema in July 2025:** On Saturday, July 12, we will present the 1975 feature *The Apple Dumpling Gang* in the PAC at 7:00 pm with pre-show at 6:45. Three orphaned siblings find a large gold nugget worth tens of thousands of dollars after an earthquake. They decide to give it to two outlaws. But the nugget is safely stored in a bank vault.

This program is sponsored by the Protestant Fellowship Council as a ministry to residents at Ann's Choice and staff.

No donation will be requested. Your presence at this movie is your donation.

Save the Date: Hymn Sing and Musical Evening on October 8

The PFC is planning a joyful evening of song on October 8 in the Chapel.

Bud Williams and Betty Kingston will play a few duets; there will be some solos, a sing-along, and a few surprises. We invite all to join us. This will be an uplifting musical event. As we prepare, we would love to include some of your favorite hymns. Please note your favorites under Other on the tear-out survey form below. Submit to Fr. Ernie Curtin (MT-214) or John Hodges (BC-412)

# Protestant Fellowship Council Our purpose is to bring glory to God in all that we pursue in and through the Protestant Faith Community

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