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What's up in worship?

Today: In recognition of Allan's last Sunday, we appreciate the importance of music in worship. We recognize how valuable and important music has been historically as a means of pointing people toward God. **Next Week:** Bob brings the message, focusing on grief and it's meaning for us as we approach the holidays. We'll also be gifting Bibles to our younger children. **Coming up:** Becky, our supervised ministry student, will preach on the 26th to close out our month and usher us into Advent, helping us recognize, and not miss, the blessings that are ours. **In December:** Advent asks us to recognize the future return of Christ and yet the present "God with us." Our journey home, no matter what life throws at us, is never absent from the presence of Christ! We'll also receive our estimate of giving cards for 2018 on the first Sunday.

Today's Community Connections:

- **The altar flowers are provided by the Herzogs, in memory of their parents and siblings.** If you are interested in providing fresh flowers for worship, please sign up at the *Connections Corner* table. (See bullet point below.)
- Feel like you missed something? The *Connections Corner* table can help. Head across the atrium and get the information you need just under the tv monitor.
- Don't receive our weekly e-news? You should! Please email Sue Kiefner at: SueK@wesleychurch.com to get on the list!
- Have you seen our new website? Ric Lehman has been working diligently to update it. Go check it out! Look next to the graphic above for where to go...
- Adult education is offered (from 10:15-10:55) by several long-time members in the chapel, titled Issues of Christian Faith:
 - Today – Beverly Marriner – Christian Meanings in the Labyrinth
 - November 18: Karen Marmaras – Welcoming the Stranger in Our Midst
 - November 26: Beverly Marriner – Conversations About Being Christian
- Help! On Friday, November 17th and Saturday the 18th, Beverly Marriner will be offering our Labyrinth ministry to Emmaus Lutheran Church, but she needs our help setting up and taking down. If you can, or you want more information, please call her at 610-625-4010.
- Please keep an eye out for a letter from the Finance Team regarding our end of year giving and preparations for next year.

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Sunday morning schedule:

9:00 – Contemporary worship
10:15 – Sunday School for all ages
11:00 – Classic (traditional) worship
Hospitality is offered in the atrium.

Church office hours are from 9 AM-3 PM weekdays during the school year.

† invites all to stand, if able

Contemporary Worship Order

November 12th, 2017; 9:00 a.m.

† Welcome and Greeting

Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship

Special Recognition: Allan Birney, Director of Music

† Praising God in Song (*Change the Way* and *1000 Tongues*)

The Ensemble

† Scripture:

1 Chronicles 6:31-33, 39, 44; 15:16-24, 25:1 and 6-8

Reader: Walt Migliori

Children's Message

Pastor Andy

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Bob and Pastor Andy

Whether offering your prayer aloud or keeping it confidential, please continue to fill out the blue cards and place them in the offering so that the prayer team may continue to faithfully do its work. Thank you!

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts

Nehemiah 10:35-37: We assume responsibility for bringing to the house of the LORD each year the firstfruits of our crops...we will bring to the storerooms of the house of our God...offerings...and tithes.

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Music during the Offering:

For These Reasons

The Ensemble

Message:

"For the Director of Music"

Pastor Andy

The sermon is also live-streamed on Facebook. Send your friends to: "wesleychurchbethlehem" to watch now or later.

Musical Response

How Can I Keep from Singing (Chris Tomlin)

The Ensemble

There is an endless song/Echoes in my soul/I hear the music ring
And though the storms may come/I am holding on/To the rock I cling

How can I keep from singing Your praise/How can I ever say enough/How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name/I know I am loved by the King/And it makes my heart want to sing

I will lift my eyes/In the darkest night/For I know my Savior lives
And I will walk with You/Knowing You'll see me through/And sing the songs You give

I can sing in the troubled times/Sing when I win
I can sing when I lose my step/And fall down again
I can sing 'cause You pick me up/Sing 'cause You're there
I can sing 'cause You hear me, Lord/When I call to You in prayer
I can sing with my last breath/Sing for I know
That I'll sing with the angels/And the saints around the throne

Community Connections (Please see front of bulletin)

† Closing Song (*Let Everything That Has Breath*)

† Sending Out

No survey today. New survey next week!

Please consider returning to the church at 12 noon and joining us in the fellowship hall for a pot-luck luncheon in honor of Allan and his ministry.

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Classic Worship Order

November 12th, 2017; 11:00 a.m.

Prelude *Prelude in G (J.S. Bach)* Allan Birney, Director of Music, Organist

† **Welcome and Greeting** Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship

† **Opening Hymn: #155** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* United Methodist Hymnal

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Bob and Pastor Andy

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Recognition of and Comments by the Director of Music

Anthem *Easter Gradual (A. Birney)* Festival Choir

THE EARLY MEDIEVAL TEXT "HAEC DIES" HAS BEEN THE SOURCE OF MANY MUSICAL SETTINGS FOR EASTER FROM PLAINSONG TO THE PRESENT.

THIS ANTHEM IS DEDICATED TO THE CHANCEL CHOIR OF WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, BETHLEHEM, PA.

"THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HATH MADE, WE WILL REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT. GIVE PRAISE TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD, FOR HIS MERCY ENDURETH FOREVER. CHRIST, OUR PASSOVER, WAS SACRIFICED FOR US."

Today's Festival Choir is made up of members and friends, former and current, some who attend regularly and others who can not. However, all are here today to give glory to God and celebrate Allan's ministry.

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Offertory *Thnakful (arr. S. Eithun)* Celebration Ringers

† **Doxology: #95** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (OLD 100TH)* Hymnal

† Prayer of Dedication

† **Hymn: #358** *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* Hymnal

† **Scriptural Acclamation** Festival Choir

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 6:31-33, 39, 44; 15:16-24, 25:1 and 6-8

Sermon: "For the Director of Music" Pastor Andy

The 9:00 sermon is also live-streamed on Facebook. Send your friends to: "wesleychurchbethlehem" to watch later.

Community Connections (see front of bulletin)

† **Closing Hymn: #139** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (stanzas 1, 3 and 5 only)* Hymnal

† Benediction and Choral Response

Postlude: *Finale from Symphony #1 (L. Vierne)* Allan Birney

No survey today. New survey next week!

Please join us immediately after worship in the fellowship hall for a pot-luck luncheon in honor of Allan and his ministry.

JOYS AND CONCERNS – November 5th

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done."

Philippians 4:6 New Living Translation

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM NOV. 5TH

Grace Caskie for a young acquaintance and her 3 month-old daughter who are in dire financial straits. **Donna Giardina** for brother Tommy suffering from two types of cancer. **Suzanne Hastie** for her Dad when he takes PennDot driver test. **Doug Jantzi** for Bob Dieter recovering from arm surgery. **Ric & Mary Ellen Lehman** to please lift up daughter and family in prayer. **Frank Madura** for God's guidance in finding a job and God's grace and healing for the members of the Thursday Men's Group; and God's grace for all caregivers. **Kay Morgan** for successful ACH surgery for granddaughter Eliza. **Sandy Kereczman** for Andy & me as we travel to Penn Medicine for further testing and treatment. **Bob Keiderling** for Donna and Keiderling family on passing of Donna's Mom, Geri Mullen, and for a clear mind and clarity for Donna as executor. **Nicole & Christian Lockhart** for strength and comfort to the Bob & Donna Keiderling Family. **Kasey Renowden** for my niece, Brenda, going through 3rd bout of cancer, now in spine; and for Betty Holt waiting treatment of lung biopsy. **Walter Schoenberger** for brother Harry, who fell and broke some ribs. **Sharon Schultz** for brother Doug who had a mild heart attack & is in Muhlenberg Hospital. **Betty Weaver** for Scott Duncan with recurring cancer and serious complications. Caregiver & wife, Donna needs support & encouragement. **Bill Whipple** for daughter Melissa Day beginning a long treatment for breast cancer. Doctor says it is curable, but she expects a total of 10 months of chemo, surgery, and more chemo. **Anon.** for daughter who is pregnant and considered high risk due to an inherited blood issue.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM OCTOBER 29

Anon. for Scott, who has been dealing with cancer and complications, and now has been diagnosed with a new cancer in many other parts of his body. **Tina Aliso** for prayers for co-worker Lou Taschler, who was just diagnosed with prostate cancer. Hoping that the scans he will be having are clear of cancer anywhere else; and for Darlene Miller as she recovers from second hip replacement. **Laurie Billheimer** for Karen on the loss of husband Harry. **Dick Herzog** still working through heart issues. **Suzanne Krom** pray for daughter, Katie, who lost Matt, her significant other to heroin addiction. Pray for Matt's family and friends and God's grace & wisdom as my Mother's caregiver. **Lenore Mohr** pray for Stefan Weber. **Kasey Renowden** for my niece, Brenda, going through 3rd bout of cancer, now in spine; for Betty Holt waiting results of lung biopsy. **Dot Sekkes** for prayers for her move back to New Jersey in November to be closer to her daughter and family. **Gene White** for prayers for his brother Chuck White, who is battling colon cancer. **Regina Young** for my brother Ed who is very sick.

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS: (NEW INFORMATION ON THESE CONCERNS INSURES THEM CONTINUING ON LIST.)

Betty Holt with respiratory problems. **George Danner and his wife Martha** as he recovers from his illness. **Peter Marmaras** for prayers for Mother, Kate. **Kyleigh Kerecz** awaiting surgery for scoliosis. **Barbara & George Guldner** as he deals with pancreatic cancer. **Audrey Viglianti** for Carol Viglianti suffering with kidney disorder, lupus and lymphoma; and for Ricky Sterner for double lung transplant. **Suzanne & Mike Krom** for Theresa for healing of cancer. **Sue Kiefner** asks prayers for friend's husband, Geoff battling colon cancer. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for Jeff with brain cancer and for friend Ivelisse, diagnosed with breast cancer & receiving treatment. **Suzanne Hastie's** parents, Aaron and Janice Hastie. **Carol Covert** for friend Ellen for successful open heart surgery. **Nathan Jones** for prayers as he takes steps to learn a trade in an effort to provide for his family.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO: **Bob & Donna Keiderling family** on the passing of Mother Geri Mullen.

THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP:

At Home: George & Martha Danner, Betty Hein, Naomi Jones

Gracedale Nancy Breon, Jane Sandt, Dorothy Collin

Moravian Village Agnes Smith, Loretta Jensen

Traditions of Hanover Marian Jeffery

Westminster Village Howard & Shirley Beiseigel
Irvin & Lorene Arnold

Arlington (Easton) Sylvia Thele

King's Daughters Gertrude Kunsman

Traditions HOA Betty Holt

Sterling Heights Peggy Jacobson

WESLEY CHURCH MINISTRIES:

Our teachers and facilitators; Good Grief: Men's & Women's Small groups, TEACHRWanda; Visitation/Stephen Ministry; We've Got Your Backpack Day; Backpack Buddies; Cancer Support Group; Wesley Community Garden; Outreach Depot;

We ask that you please update your prayer request information at least every two weeks.
This ensures that your request will remain on the Prayer List. Thank you.

"Prayer is where the action is." John Wesley