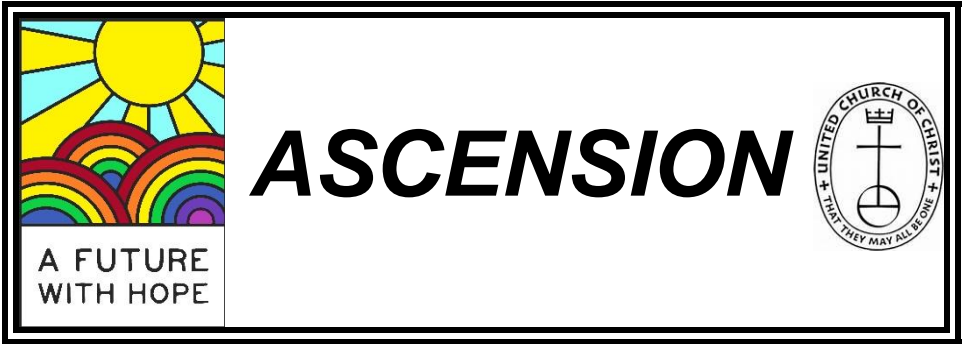


“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,  
*you are welcome here.*”  
**God is Still Speaking**



*An Open and Affirming Congregation*

**September 25, 2022**

**11:00 AM**

**P**ursue righteousness,  
godliness, faith, love,  
endurance, gentleness.  
Fight the good fight of  
the faith; take hold of  
the eternal life, to  
which you were called.

1 Timothy 6:11b–12a

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## Order of Worship

### PRELUDE

“The Love of God Is Known” (Jones)

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS CHIMING OF THE HOUR RECEIVING THE LIGHT

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*please rise*

Leader: When they call to me, I will answer them,  
says the Lord.

**People: I will be with them in trouble.  
I will rescue and honor them.**

Leader: With thanksgiving and praise,  
let us worship God!

### GATHERING HYMN

“Gather Us In” *Glory to God 401*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Dressed in fine linen, we feast sumptuously every day, while others long to satisfy their hunger. We have Moses and the prophets, yet we remain unconvinced, waiting for some human warning. Forgive us. In your mercy, convince and comfort us, and lead us to righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

*silent prayer of confession*

**KYRIE**

*Unison* A D E A

1 Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

F# Bm E A (f)

e e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. ste e - le - i - son, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**RESPONSE**

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” *Glory to God 591*

**THE SCRIPTURE READINGS**

*please be seated*

First Reading      Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

“What Does the Lord Require” *Glory to God 70*

Second Reading      1 Timothy 6:6-19

“What Does the Lord Require” *Glory to God 70*

*please rise for the gospel*

Gospel Lesson      Luke 16:19-31

Leader: Holy Wisdom

**People: Holy Word**

**THE SERMON**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord,  
**People:** we call to you, our refuge,  
Leader: provide your safe space.  
**People:** We call to you our fortress,  
Leader: provide your strength.  
**People:** We call to you, our trust,  
Leader: provide your vision.  
**People:** We call to you, our deliverer,  
Leader: provide your promise.  
**People:** We call to you, our cover,  
Leader: provide your gentleness.  
**People:** We call to you, our faithful,  
Leader: provide your presence.  
**People:** We call to you, our shield,  
Leader: provide your defense.  
**People:** We call to you, our bunker,  
Leader: provide your confidence.  
**People:** We call to you, our protector,  
Leader: provide your future.  
**People:** We call to you, our rescuer,  
Leader: provide your breath.  
**People:** We call to you, our satisfaction,  
Leader: provide your peace.  
**People:** We call to you, our savior,  
Leader: provide your grace.  
**All:** Amen.

Please continue to pray for Sally S., Sally C., Stephen,  
Eric, Dan, Greg, Cornel, Barbara, Theo, Lorraine & Larry P.,  
Edie C., Gino A., Pattie C., and Jack

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*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.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

## **THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES**

### **DOXOLOGY**

*please rise  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**God who gives life to all things, and richly provides us with everything, use these, our offerings, to take hold of, and show us, the life that really is. Amen.**

### **CLOSING HYMN**

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”      *Glory To God 250*

### **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

### **TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

### **POSTLUDE**

“We Praise You”      (Sashi)

**Birthdays**

**9/25-10/1/2022**

*Rick Weed (25); Ethan Brunton (26); Debbie Sickles (28)*

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God,  
in memory of my parents, George M. & Alma M. Klehamer,  
and my grandmother, Caroline Klehamer,  
by George Klehamer*



## Annual Congregational Meeting

**Please plan on joining us for our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 2, 2022, immediately following our 11am worship service.**

**If you do not have email and would like a copy, you may pick it up in the church office during the week.**



**Volunteers needed**  
Please contact Liz, Michele, or the Church office if you can help us on this day.

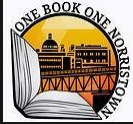
## Ascension Church Fall Flea Market

- Saturday, October 8, 2022!
- Registration by October 1<sup>st</sup>:  
Space with table \$30.00/Space with your own table \$25.00.
- After October 1<sup>st</sup>:  
Space with table \$35.00/Space with your own table \$25.00.

Registration forms are available through the church office.



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## ***“Changing the Way the Church Views Racism”***

Saturday, October 29, 2:00pm  
Dinner/Reception following

**Dr. Drew G. I. Hart**

professor, author, community leader, organizer,  
activist, and man of faith

Please join us for an engaging discussion.

Register at <https://changingtheway.eventbrite.com>

All are welcome!

We hope to see you there!!

**SOLE HARVEST 5K**  
TO BENEFIT THE NORRISTOWN HOSPITALITY  
CENTER

WE'VE SET A GOAL OF \$500 TO  
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Ascension is sponsoring  
the Norristown  
Hospitality Center's  
Sole Harvest 5K.

We have set a goal of  
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Can you help us get  
there?

Mark your donations

**“Sole Harvest”**





## **NEIGHBORS IN NEED SPECIAL MISSION OFFERING**

In 2022, the Neighbors in Need "BEHOLD!" offering focuses on economic justice.

With inflation impacting all of our households, we wanted to provide a way to discuss this topic through a faith lens.

Neighbors in Need offering will be collected on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, as part of World Communion Day.

Thank you for your generosity.







*We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to your during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.*

***We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.***

<b>Ministers</b>	All the people of the Congregation
<b>Pastor</b>	The Rev. Dwayne A. Mosier
<b>Minister of Music</b>	Dan Weckerly
<b>President of the Consistory</b>	Liz Brunton
<b>Vice President of the Consistory</b>	Michele Luke
<b>Secretary of the Consistory</b>	Liam D'Aquila
<b>Moderator of Spiritual Council</b>	Molly Lorenz
<b>Elders:</b>	Liz Brunton, Robin Weed, Mary Lambon Molly Lorenz, Barbara Montague-Graham
<b>Chair of the Diaconate</b>	Michele Luke
<b>Deacons:</b>	Liam D'Aquila, Sandy Dounce, Jan Backes Michele Luke, Lynda Waltman, Christa Cavanaugh
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