

**July 4, 2010**

**Service of Worship  
Independence Day**

**11:00 A.M.**

On this Fourth of July, we joyfully celebrate our nation's birth. We are pleased that you've come to praise God, who richly blesses our beloved country. *We extend a special welcome to our guests and request that they fill out the information card in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate.*

**PRELUDE**

**STRIKING THE HOUR**

**GREETING**

**CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

**OPENING MUSIC**

“We Have Come Into His House”

*Adult Choir*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: The love of God is more splendid than purple mountain majesties.

**P: God's word of grace fills the spacious skies.**

L: The amber waves of grain remind us of God's abundant care.

**P: Above the fruited plain is God's eternal joy in anyone who turns from sin and follows the path of truth.**

L: Let our songs rise, and let God's praise be heard from sea to shining sea.

**\* HYMN**

“America, the Beautiful”

CB 799

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and favor us with true freedom. Yet in stubbornness of spirit, we – both as individuals and as a nation – walk apart from your will in ways which are displeasing to you. Forgive our sin, and keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may fix our eyes upon him, and steadfastly follow in the paths of your kingdom. In so doing, may we set a similar example for those who follow us, as many in the past set for us; through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: In Christ, we have been reconciled to God, who no longer holds our sins against us. Friends, believe the Good News!

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**            “Lead Me, Lord”            CB 695  
Lead me, Lord, lead me in Your righteousness;  
Make Your way plain before my face.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** The Apostles’ Creed            *PH, p. 14*

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** 1 Peter 2:13-21            *Pew Bible p. 1059*

**OFFERING**

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

**\*HYMN**            “My Country, 'Tis of Thee”            CB 807

**CHOIR SPECIAL**            “God Bless America”            *Adult Choir*

**SHARING IN PRAYER**

Personal Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (*use "debts"*)

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Exodus 20: 3-17            *Pew Bible p. 63*

**SERMON**            “4th of July”            Don Reid

**\*HYMN**            “Battle Hymn of the Republic”            CB 804

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**            “He Is Exalted”            CB 36  
*w/congregation*

**POSTLUDE**

\* Congregation please stand, if able

**CB** – *The Celebration Hymnal*; **PH** – *The Presbyterian Hymnal*

## THIS WEEK AT SECOND CHURCH

### Sunday, July 4

- 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study Classes  
10:30 AM Adult Choir rehearsal- Choir Room  
11:00 AM Worship

**Lay Reader:** Paul Wolfe

**Greeters & Ushers:** Earl Flower (*Head Usher*), Jean Flower,  
Mary Rainey & Andy Easley

**Flower Coordinator:** Kathy Holsinger

### Continuing this week

219th meeting of the General Assembly of the PC(USA).  
Dan Williams is attending as a corresponding member (Form of  
Government Task Force).

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**Lay Reader:** Mary Rainey

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William Jack, Hugh & Nancy Swisher

**Flower Coordinator:** Kathy Holsinger

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**Attendance last Sunday:** 70

**Offering last Sunday:** \$ 1,392.50

**Hunger Offering:** \$ 399.00

**Total Deposit:** \$ 1,842.50

**LARGE PRINT BULLETIN** As an aid to people who have trouble reading the regular sized type on the Sunday worship bulletin, a large print version is available. Simply request one from any usher.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



*We welcome Don Reid to our pulpit this morning. Don is the father of two sons and grandfather to four children. He and his wife, Debbie, live in Staunton with their pup, Chipper.*

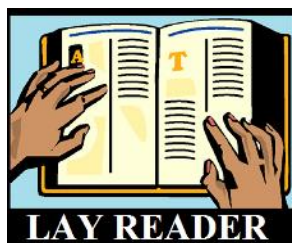
*Don, one of the original members of the Statler Brothers, was the principal writer for the group, writing most of the songs himself or co-writing with brother Harold. Also, Don has had over three hundred of his songs recorded and he is also the author of five published books with more on the way.*

*He has been teaching a Sunday School class at his home church, Olivet Presbyterian, for about 30 years. When his pastor, Joe Brandon, asked Don to fill the pulpit (on the occasion of having to be gone for a family emergency one Sunday) Don agreed and thus started supplying his own and other pulpits in the area.*



## July Display

Be sure to stop by the Display Cabinet in the Fellowship Hall to see Lois Sensabaugh's collection of "patriotic memorabilia".



Worship and Music has placed a calendar on one of the back tables in order to sign up ushers and lay readers needed for the month of **July**. We still need a Lay Reader for July 25<sup>th</sup>.



  
*A Special*  
**THANK YOU**  


Dear Church Family,

The years I taught Sunday School were a rewarding and learning experience for me. I enjoyed each and every student I taught. It was a blessing to work with so many great kids and their families.

A special thank you to Kay Mader and the Christian Education Committee members: Linda Fry, Beth Ramsey, Maxine Robertson and Caroline Wuebke for the beautiful cross necklace and card. Your support has meant so much! Thank you to everyone for your kindness and encouragement through the years.

Love,  
Mary Rainey

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Dan Williams will be on vacation from Friday, June 25 – Friday, July 9. From June 30 - July 10, he will be attending the 219<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) as a corresponding member, to present the report of the Form of Government Task Force. Dan will be back in our pulpit on Sunday, July 11.



  
**"America the Beautiful"**

Katharine Lee Bates (1859-1929) wrote, edited and taught English in her native Massachusetts. Occasionally, she wrote hymns, too. On a trip to Colorado, Bates was greatly impressed by amber waves of grain, fruited plains and purple mountain majesties. She believed that God had definitely shed his grace all across this land. A visit to the summit of Pikes Peak inspired Bates to write her most famous poem-hymn, "America the Beautiful." Bates also realized that patriotism was an important part of America. She was grateful for heroes "who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life." She wanted all Americans to realize how God had shed his grace on them and had crowned what was good "with brotherhood from sea to shining sea." Bates embodied the spirit of thankfulness to God for all she had experienced and been given.

- *The Newsletter Newsletter*

## PRAYER CONCERNS

- Health concerns:
  - Homer Cain; Florence Pfeiffer; Bob Landes; Lillian White (Linda Lickliter's mother); Bobby Dale; Scott Holsinger (son of Kathy Holsinger)
- Church concerns:
  - Upcoming meeting of the 219<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the PC(USA), July 3-10, Minneapolis, MN.
- Local and national concerns: Continued efforts in Gulf of Mexico to control the oil spill
- Safe travel for all of those vacationing
- Celebrating a birthday this week: Pat Blackley (4); Matthew Johnson (6); Nancy Swisher (6); Eve Thomas (6); Pat Shiflett (8); Gennivee Carey (10)
- Celebrating an anniversary this week: Carolyn & Frank Brown (6)
- Persons connected to Second Church in the military:
  - Ian Hippeard - Afghanistan, (grandson of Talitha and Dick Hippeard)
  - Nathan Wade (grandson of Anita and Bill Haessly)
  - Ty Manson – Navy SEAL (Linda Lickliter's niece's husband)
  - Nick Dubyk – Army: Fort Bragg, NC (grandson of Betty/Willis Clemmer)
  - Heath Minnick: USAF, Sacramento, CA (son of Brenda Cason).
  - Wilmer Carl Varner III - Navy) – grandson of Betty Casiday
  - Chris Goodrow (Army, 173rd Airborne: Fort Benning, GA) – grandson of Ken and Lois Sensabaugh
  - Kevin Goodrow (Army MP, Iraq) – grandson of Ken and Lois Sensabaugh
  - Ben Carter (Coast Guard) – grand-nephew of Gennivee Carey
  - Patrick W. Brown (Air Force) – grandson of (the late) Marie Wiseman
  - Christopher Todd (USAF) – grandson of Ruth and Ralph Weller
  - Capt. Sam Fitzpatrick (Army, Green Beret) - deploying to Iraq, son-in-law of Eve Thomas

KEEP THEM  
IN YOUR PRAYERS



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Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

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