

# Paxton Presbyterian Church

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**July 19, 2020**  
7th Sunday after Pentecost

**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**  
(Take time to prepare your heart to worship God.)

PRELUDE

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

MUSIC INTERLUDE

**TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD**

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Isaiah 60:1,3

Arise, shine: for your light has come,  
**and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**  
Nations shall come to your light  
**and rulers to the brightness of your rising.**

\* HYMN 367 "Come Ye Thankful People, Come"

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we are unworthy servants. We have broken faith with you in thought and word and deed. We are shamed of the evil that dwells within us, and we confess that our very best falls far short of your vision for us. On this day of new birth, we confess that we are stuck in the ways of death. Forgive us and help us to trust in your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

*(Time of silent reflection)*

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.  
**Praise God. Amen.**

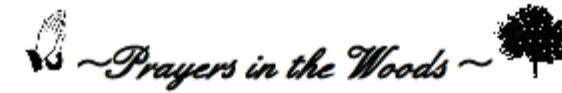
\* GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER



Dear Paxton Family and Friends,

The Worship and Music Ministry, in cooperation with and support from Session, is *excited* to announce our outdoor Sunday evenings, "Prayers in the Woods" services, July 5 through August 30, at 6 PM (approximately 30 minutes in duration, \*weather permitting).

Our outdoor prayer services will allow us to *begin* gathering and worshipping in a safe manner. The outdoor services will be held in the grove outside of the choir room (same area as our summer concerts).

(Please note: our 10 AM Sunday morning livestream/online services will continue!)

In accordance with CDC guidelines, we ask that you:

- Bring a lawn chair and practice safe distancing. Family units are invited to sit together. Ushers will be on hand to guide and assist.
- Wear a mask when exiting your car and traveling to your seating area.
- Building access will be limited to the restroom in Fellowship Hall. Only one person (unless assistance is needed) will be permitted in the building at any given time. The restroom will be sanitized after each use.
- At the conclusion of the service, masks should be worn when returning to the parking lot.
- Baskets will be available for no contact offerings.



*Please join us to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ as we worship in prayer and the study of God's word.*

\*Cancellations due to weather will be announced on Paxton's Facebook page and through church wide email.

Questions? Please contact Cindy Mory, W&M, Chair Email: [cmory@comcast.net](mailto:cmory@comcast.net) OR call 717-460-1142


## 546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with  
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's  
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling



joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion  
 pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,  
 in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful, to your truth may we be found.  
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24

**This is the word of the Lord.**

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew:13:24-30, 36-43

**This is the word of the Lord.**

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Wheat and the Weeds"

Pastor Green

HYMN 519 "You Are My Strength When I Am Weak"

\* APOSTLE'S CREED

TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

\* DOXOLOGY

\* HYMN 546 "Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"

TO GO REJOICING IN GOD'S NAME

BENEDICTION (unison)

from St. Augustine

**O God, full of compassion,  
 I commit and commend myself to you,  
 In whom I am, and live, and know.  
 Be the goal of my pilgrimage,  
 and my rest by the way.  
 Let my soul take refuge  
 From the crowding turmoil of worldly thought  
 beneath the shadow of your wings.  
 Let my heart, this sea of restless waves,  
 Find peace in you, O God. Amen**

POSTLUDE

## 367 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit in thank-ful praise to yield,  
 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take the har - vest home;  
 4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.

All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin.  
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.  
 from each field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;  
 Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,

God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.  
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.  
 give the an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
 there for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:

Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in God's gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 come, with all thine an - gels, come; raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

## 519 "You Are My Strength When I Am Weak"

You are my strength when I am weak;  
 you are the treasure that I seek;  
 you are my all in all.  
 When I fall down, you pick me up;  
 when I am dry, you fill my cup;  
 you are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!  
 Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!