

Welcome to Worship Today!

Sunday, September 12, 2021



• Church Life Snapshot •

Bob Payne reads morning announcements during worship on Sunday, August 29th (thanks to Paul Varcoe for the photo).

Worship Schedule

Sunday:

10:00 am: Echo Hill & Calvin-Sinclair
Combined Worship-Sanctuary

Wednesday:

7:00 pm: Worship on Wednesday
(held virtually via Zoom)

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Friday: 8:00 am – Noon

Visit Echo Hill on the web to hear
today's service again or to share with a
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Worship is...

Joyful. Spirit-filled. Thoughtful. Welcoming.

Restrooms: Located next to the church office as you come in from the parking lot on the west end of the building.

Large Print Hymnals (words only): Available on the back table.

Hand Sanitizer & Wipes: Available for those who need them.

Questions? Please feel free to ask an usher for assistance!

Connection Card *(please note changes)*

In your bulletin is a green connection card. We ask that you complete the card and drop it in the offering plate. If you have a specific person, group, or event for which you'd like us to join with you in prayer, place this prayer request on the back of the connection card. This can be for a concern in your life or your health, or for a concern you have for someone else, or for a joyous event.

Welcome to Worship! Connection Card

Name:	_____
Address:	_____
City:	_____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Best Contact Phone:	_____
Email:	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Check if changes in contact information	
If 1st- or 2nd-time guest, how did you hear about the church?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Church website <input type="checkbox"/> Church member <input type="checkbox"/> Event <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Are you a: <input type="checkbox"/> 1st-time guest <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd-time guest <input type="checkbox"/> Member/regular attendee	

Order of Worship – Sept. 12, 2021

Echo Hill & Calvin-Sinclair Presbyterian Churches

Gather for Worship -----

Prelude "In His Hand"

Welcome

Hymn #266 "Joy to the World"

*Pass the Peace

Prepare for Worship -----

***Call to Worship** (*Psalm 19:1-4 & 14*)

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

All: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

***Unison Prayer of Confession #169** "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

***Call to Confession**

Leader: God said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.

(moment of silence for personal confession)

***Words of Assurance** (*Psalm 46:9-10*)

Leader: "Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

***Response #581** "Glory Be to the Father"

Proclaiming God's Word -----

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Mark 8:27-39

Message "If You Want" – The Rev. Dr. Dennis E. Morey

The Response #726 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

Responding to God's Word -----

Announcements

Call to Dedication

Leader: From the Old Testament Prophet Micah, we read instructions about offerings brought to God: "God has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you; but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:8). With tithes and offerings we humbly give to God's Kingdom.

Offering

Offertory

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

*Congregational Response #606

*Prayer of Dedication

All: Loving God, thank you for reaching out to us inviting us to know you. Because of your great love, we respond with tithes and offerings asking that you use them to continue sharing your love. Help us to do justice, to love kindness, and to talk humbly with you on the path you are leading us. We give in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

All: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Leave to Serve God's People -----

*Closing Hymn #720

"Jesus Calls Us"

Closing Prayer

Benediction

Postlude

"Pass It On"

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Life at Echo Hill for the Week of September 12

Ushers for September 12: Lynda Nelson

Starting this morning (September 12), worship will begin at 10:00 am. Both congregations will continue to worship together.

On September 19, the visioning team will present its report to the congregation during fellowship time after worship. You're invited to hear their recommendations and provide input on the future plans of the church.

The October/November/December issue of *These Days* (daily devotional) is now available. Free copies are located on the table just outside the church office. If you can't make it to the church, please call the office and we'll mail you a copy.

Horizons is seeking volunteer drivers for their Meals on Wheels program. They have openings Monday-Friday. It's a great chance to connect with your community! Email volunteer@horizonsfamily.org to volunteer.

Michael Becker is on vacation September 13-17.

Gleanings from Jim White

"Books are no substitute for living, but they can add immeasurably to its richness." – *May Hill Arbuthnot*

Weekly Calendar

Sunday:

9:00 AM: Bible Study-Room #1

10:00 AM: Worship-Sanctuary

12:30 PM: Church of Pentecost-Fellowship Hall

Monday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation

9:00 AM: Bible Study at Genee Coles' Home

9:00 AM-12:00 PM: Sewing Group-Fellowship Hall

Tuesday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation

9:30 AM: Coffee & Conversation-Fellowship Hall

4:00 PM: Finance Team Meeting-Room #1

6:30 PM: Worship & Music Team Meeting

7:00 PM: Cedar Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines

Wednesday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation

7:00 PM: Worship on Wednesday (Via Zoom)

7:00 PM: Investment Club-Fellowship Hall

Thursday: Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation

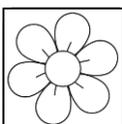
6:00 PM: Worker Bees

Friday: Office Hours: 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Michael Becker on Vacation

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Bible Study Begins This Morning



A Bible study begins today, Sunday, September 12th at 9:00 am in Room #1. In this eight-session video-based program, Andy Stanley takes you on a journey through the Gospels as he traces Jesus' teaching on what it means to follow. A study guide is available and those interested can sign up on the information sheet at the church or contact Don or Darlene Worden. Everyone is invited to attend.

Bob Kopp Memorial Service



A memorial service for Echo Hill member Bob Kopp (who passed away on January 6) will be held on Sunday, September 26th at 4:00 pm with a time to meet with the family afterward. The service will be held at the church and we will follow local guidelines for mask-wearing.

September Food Bank Donations for LCFB



Please consider making a monetary donation to support our food banks, instead of bringing items to the church. The food banks can purchase food at a lower cost and more efficiently than we can purchase. The food bank we're supporting in September is Linn Community Food Bank (LCFB). If you'd like to contribute, simply leave your donation in the office, or mail it to church, with a notation on the memo line for "food bank." Make your checks out to "Echo Hill Church" and we'll send one check at the end of the month to the food bank. Thank you for your support of these organizations.