Welcome to Worship Today!

Sunday, January 16, 2022





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

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· Church Life Snapshot ·

You may have noticed a few penguins on the tables in Fellowship Hall. Joann Ingels brought them in to give the tables a fun, wintry appearance. Joann has a HUGE collection of penguins and has been collecting them since the third grade! Thanks, Joann, for sharing your penguins with us!

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 -----

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.

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Order of Worship – January 16, 2022

Echo Hill & Calvin-Sinclair Presbyterian Churches

Gather for Worship ------

Prelude

Welcome

(*We invite you to please stand if you are able.)

*Hymn #396

"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

*Pass the Peace

Prepare for Worship ------

Call to Worship (Psalm 36:5-10)

Leader: Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep. You, Lord, preserve both people and

animals. How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!

All: People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. Continue your love to those who know you, your righteousness to the upright in heart.

Unison Prayer of Confession

All:

As we meet to worship you, O God, we are reminded of the miracle of your love given to us in Jesus Christ. Often we rush through our prayers forgetting to pause to consider the magnificence of your presence. We worship you in awe of your unimaginable beauty, and power. Forgive us for being so focused on ourselves when we pray. We ask that you hear us now in our confessions and wipe away our sins as we come before you. We offer our prayers in the name of Jesus and ask that you hear our personal prayers as we pray in silence.

(moment of silence for personal confession)

Words of Assurance (Psalm 34:2-8)

All:

Leader: I will glory in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice. Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant, their faces are never covered with shame. This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them. Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him. Amen.

*Response #581 "Glory Be to the Father"

> Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Proclaiming God's Word ------**Prayer for Illumination** Scripture John 2:1-11 Message "Filled to the Brim" – The Rev. Dr. Dennis E. Morey "Grace Alone" (please see insert) The Response Responding to God's Word ------**Announcements** Minute for Mission Willis Dady **Call to Dedication** Leader: Today, we bring our tithes and offerings for the work God is doing among us. All: With grateful hearts we dedicate our offerings to God. Offering Offertory "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" *Congregational Response #606 Praise God, from who all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; All: Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. *Prayer of Dedication All: Tithes and offerings are one way we support your work, O God. Thank you for giving us resources and trusting us to use them for your Kingdom. Use them to help share the Good News that love has filled your church, to the brim. We give in the name of Jesus. 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 #735

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Postlude

Announcements for the Week of January 16

Ushers: Lynda

Lynda Nelson & Joann Ingels

There will be a congregational meeting following worship this morning for the purpose of electing Echo Hill officers for 2022-2024. Please try to attend. The slate presented to the congregation will be:

Elder: Paul Varcoe

Deacons: Linda Kipp, Diane Tyne, Lori Waggoner

The installation of new Echo Hill officers will take place during worship on Sunday, January 23rd.

The Bible Study for the new year will begin Sunday, January 23rd at 9:00 am in the conference room at the church. The topic is the Case for Heaven (and Hell) by Lee Strobel who also wrote the Case for Christ. He is a journalist turned minister who investigates evidence for life after death. It is a five-session series which includes a DVD and study guide. Please let us know if you plan to attend so we can get a study guide for you. All are welcome to come and explore this interesting topic. Any questions, contact Don and Darlene Worden.

Echo Hill's annual meeting will take place Sunday, January 30th. If you are responsible for your team's annual report, please submit it to Michael by Friday, January 21.

We need treats! Please contact the church office if you'd like to provide treats for a future Sunday. Calvin-Sinclair is providing for January and Echo Hill will provide for February.

Weekly Calendar

Members from both congregations are welcome to attend any event/meeting.

Sunday:

9:00 AM: Bible Study-Room #1 **10:00 AM:** Worship-Sanctuary

11:00 AM: Echo Hill Congregational Meeting

12:30 PM: Church of Pentecost

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

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

5:30 PM: Caring Team Meeting

<u>Tuesday:</u> Office Hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm **11:30 AM:** Monthly Lunch-Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM: Cedar Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines

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

Team Session Reports Due

7:00 PM: Worship on Wednesday (Via Zoom) **7:00 PM:** Investment Club-Fellowship Hall

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

6:00 PM: Worker Bees

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

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Gleanings from Jim White

"Books are the blessed chloroform of the mind." – *Robert W. Chambers*

Monthly Lunch This Tuesday



You're invited to the monthly lunch, held on the third Tuesday of each month at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall. This month's lunch takes place on January 18. The meal begins at 11:45 am sharp. Please bring a dish to share. It's a great opportunity to eat some delicious food and enjoy fellowship with members of both congregations and the community.

Food Bank Donations for Linn Co. Food Bank



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 January is Linn Community Food Bank. 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.

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