

# ORDER OF SERVICE - GATHERING

September 3, 2017

Prelude

Call to Worship

Elder Kathy Barto

Leader: We are the forgiven, singing redemption's song. There's a fire that burns inside.

**People: Nothing can stop us, we'll be running through the night, with a fire that burns inside.**

Leader: We are the free, the freedom generation, singing of Your mercy.

**People: You are the one who set us all in motion. Yours is the glory.**

Leader: There's a fire in our hearts that will never fade away. Yours is the glory.

**People: We are the risen, living alive in You. And our passion will not die.**

Leader: Up from the grave Jesus rose and we will rise up

**People: Into the world that You so love. Into the world we go and we will rise up.**

**All: We are the free, the freedom generation, singing of Your mercy. You are the one who set us all in motion. Yours is the glory. There's a fire in our hearts that will never fade away. Yours is the glory. Yours is the glory. Yours is the glory.**

\* Hymn            *"Since I Have Been Redeemed"*            Hymnal #339

\* Prayer of Confession

**I'm the one who held the nail. It was cold between my fingertips. I've hidden in the garden. I've denied You with my very lips. God, I fall down to my knees with a hammer in my hand. You look at me, arms open. I've done things I wish I hadn't done. I've seen things I wish I hadn't seen. Just the thought of Your amazing grace. And I cry "Jesus,**

**forgive me!" I could've been six feet under. I could've been lost forever. Yeah I should be in that fire, but now there's fire inside of me. All the weight of all our evil lifted away forever free. Who could believe? Forgiven! You love me even when I don't deserve it. Jesus Your blood makes me innocent. So I will say goodbye to every sin. I am forgiven!**

*\* Assurance of God's Grace*

\*Praise Song            *"Above All"*

Scripture Reading            *Matthew 18:21-35*

Prayers of the People

*\*Greet one another with the Peace of Christ be with you!*

Sermon            *"Forgiven"*            Pastor Dave

Special Music            *"In Mercy Broken"*            by Ruth Elaine Schram

Invitation to Communion

The Lord's Supper

\*Hymn            *"Redeemed"*            Hymnal #521 verse 1 & 3

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology and Prayer

\*Invitation to the Prayer Room    (located on the right as you exit the Sanctuary)

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song            *"The Lord's Prayer"*            Hymnal #426

Postlude

*\*(Please stand, if able)*



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## Welcome to Avondale Presbyterian Church



Joined together as a lifeline between  
Christ and community,  
*Avondale Presbyterian Church*  
exists to connect people  
to the Lord Jesus Christ,  
to contribute to growth in His body,  
and to commit to serving Christ  
in the world.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

**TO OUR GUESTS:** Thank you for joining us today! We welcome you! Please sign our friendship book and call the church office 610-268-2919 if we can be of service to you in any way. Have a blessed day today!

**YOUTH GROUP:** will not meet tonight due to Labor Day weekend. All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us in the Quarry next Sunday from 6:00-8:30 PM. Dinner is served at 6:00 PM. Bring a friend!

**FAMILY PROMISE MEALS :** Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> (Labor Day) and Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Monday Menu is: Meat loaf, potatoes, green beans, tossed salad Tuesday. Veggies and dip, Grilled cheese sandwiches, two hearty soups. Contact Barb Hart to let her know you can help serve or prepare the meal. email: bdhart@kennett.net

**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE:** will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the church library. All are welcome to attend to help plan upcoming congregational events.

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:**

**PERKINS NIGHT:** is Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-8:00 PM.

**ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH:** are invited to Ruth Circle's first meeting on Tues. Sept. 19th at 12:30 PM in the Quarry. We will begin with a light lunch. Then Judy Young will lead a lesson on the *Bad Girls of the Bible* from a book by Liz Curtis Higgs. Please RSVP to Carolyn DiCecco by Sun. Sept. 17.

## THIS WEEK AT AVONDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH


<i>TODAY</i> Sunday 9/3	9:15 AM  11:00 AM -----	<i>Worship-Pastor Dave Bergstrom</i> <i>Communion will be celebrated</i> My Special Worship Service No Youth Group
Monday 9/4		Family Promise Meals
Tuesday 9/5	7:00 PM	Family Promise Meals Congregational Life Meeting
Wednesday 9/6	8:30 AM	<i>Church Office Open</i>
Thursday 9/7	8:30 AM 6:00-7:20 PM 7:30-9:00 PM	<i>Church Office Open</i> AvonBells Choir
Friday 9/8	8:30 AM 6:00 PM  7:00 PM	<i>Church Office Open</i> BBQ at the Bergstroms for those that have signed up to attend Open Volleyball
Saturday 9/9		
<i>Next Sunday</i> 9/10	9:15 AM 11:00 AM 6:00-8:30 PM	<i>Worship -Pastor Dave Bergstrom</i> My Special Worship Service Youth Group ó welcome back!



**ARE YOU NEW TO APC?** We welcome you! IF you would like to receive our weekly emails and our monthly Dove News, please make sure we have your contact info. Contact the church office to talk with Cheryl. (610-268-2919) or email: avondale.pcoffice@verizon.net

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE...9:15 AM

<b>Prayer Ministry</b>	Marge Pickel
<i>Next Week 9:15AM</i>	<i>Barbara Hart</i>
<b>Nursery</b>	<i>Please let an usher know if you need the nursery</i>
<b>Greeters</b>	Can you help with this ministry?
<b>Offering Counters</b>	Dee Loux & Margie Greenhalgh
<b>Communion Servers</b>	Kathy Barto, Judy Needham Tim & Carrie Rupard
<i>Next Week</i>	<i>Bonnie Smith &amp; Dee Loux</i>
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Elder Kathy Barto
<i>Next Week</i>	<i>Elder Betsy Eastburn</i>

 The **FLOWER S** today have been given by Tom and Judy Young in memory of beloved daughter Marci.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:** will be held in our Great Hall on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-7:30 PM. Joyce Swisher is our deacon contact. To schedule an appointment please visit: <http://www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation> and search by sponsor code Avondale Presbyterian or call Joyce.

## BEGINNING SOON.....

Choir Starts **SEPTEMBER 7th**

**Psalm 104:33** "I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live."

Our choir meets Thursday evenings at 7:30 in the sanctuary. We sing, praise, and pray for one another and our church. No experience is necessary. Come as you are, and be blessed by a beautiful group of God's people. In turn you bless this congregation, and bless our Lord.

*All are Welcome! All are appreciated! All are Loved!*

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