

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAYREADER for this week is Linda Schaller.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Jacob Santana!

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this week are Rich and Sharon Laverdure!

THE FLOWERS this week are sponsored by Rich and Sharon Laverdure in honor of granddaughter, Blake's, 2nd birthday!

Church Staff

Nicole Vogel
Jen Carmella
Linda Schaller
Mike Silvoy
Bob Lee
Sami Carmella

Pastor
Secretary
Music Director
Sexton
Sexton
Nursery Attendant

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today ~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.
~ Bell choir rehearsal after service
~ Session meeting, following worship

Monday ~ TOALC classes begin

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

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(*Indicates to stand, in body or spirit)

September 13, 2020
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is calling Us today. God, please help us to hear Your call in our lives. God needs our gifts and graces to help others. May we use the blessings which God has given us to benefit others. Come, let us worship and celebrate God's love for us. Let us show our faithfulness in our words and actions.

*HYMN NO. 757

“Today We all Are Called to Be Disciples”

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, mend our brokenness and our sadness. Give us spirits of joy and enthusiasm for service to You by serving others. Lift us and place us on Your pathways of peace and hope that, with our lives, we will witness to Your redeeming love. AMEN.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we know that Jesus sent out his disciples without purse, luggage or sandals. All too often, we find ourselves clinging to possessions we don't need, looking for safety by avoiding risk and bearing heavy burdens that slow us down. Forgive us for our reluctance to travel lightly and heal us of our pain and guilt. Holy One, you encourage us not to grow weary, but to use every opportunity to work for the good of all. And yet, hectic schedules, competing demands, cynicism and doubt erode our commitment and leave us feeling burned out. Forgive us for any hollow excuses we are tempted to make and heal us of our exhaustion. Help us to be faithful disciples by living our lives as an example, but also remembering we are saved by Your grace alone. Amen

☞ Moment for Silent Reflection ☞

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Jivin’ in Jackson Square “
Lucas Swanson, piano solo

BY EUGENIE ROCHEROLLE

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 6:1-9 (Pg. 163)

NEW TESTAMENT

Luke 10:1-11; 16-20 (Pg. 71)

L: Word of God for the people of God
P: Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Being A Disciple”

Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 462

“I Love to Tell the Story”

SENDING

PASTORAL PRAYER

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE