Pilgrim Presbyterian Church

601 Albert Street - Martinsburg, WV 25404

Rev. Dr. Jerry C. Mead, Pastor

August 20, 2017

*Let us help one another to **quietly** prepare our hearts for worship.*

Welcome and Announcements — Pastoral Intern Greg Mead
Focusing our Thoughts on God

Order of Morning Worship

Words of our Holy God* Call *us* to Worship – **Pastor — Hebrews 4:14-16

**In light of such a call, we thankfully respond with our* Confession of Sin

Ephesians 2:3 – **All**

Living in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires
of the body and the mind, we are by nature children of wrath.

**Salvation through Christ grants to us* Assurance of God's Pardoning Grace

Ephesians 2:4-6 – **Pastor**

But God, being rich in mercy, …made us alive together with Christ—
by grace you have been saved—and raised up with him
and seated with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus

*Prayer of Adoration and Aspiration – **Pastor**

**We rejoice in the hope of the glory of God with* Psalms, Hymns, & Spiritual Songs

* Psalm 86:1-11	"Bow Down Thine Ear, O Lord, and Hear"	# 91
*Hymn	"Behold the Throne of Grace"	# 627
*Spiritual Song	"God Be Merciful to Me"	Insert

New Testament Scripture Reading — Luke 18:1-8 — [Pew Bible p 877]

Psalm 88:1-8 [the tune of "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" #388] — Psalter

Prayer of the Church

Acknowledging God's ownership of all persons and things, and that we are only stewards of life and possessions is carried out through

Worship in Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Response	'We Give Thee But Thine Own'	# 432, Stnz 1

*Prayer of Dedication

Weekly Activities

Sunday	9:15	AM	Sunday School
	10:30	AM	Worship
	6:00	PM	Youth Group
Monday	6:30	PM	Prayer Meeting @ Greg & Mim Mead's
Wednesday	8:00	AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast @ Pownell's Bistro
			(note the new day of the week)
Saturday	6:00	PM	Youth Group Event
Next Sunday	9:15	AM	Sunday School
	10:30	AM	Worship followed by Fellowship Lunch
	6:00	PM	Snapshots in Church History

Large Print Copies

Large print copies of the hymns, psalter selections and spiritual songs are available on the back table, for those needing larger print.

Sunday School

Thanks to Daniel Jones for faithfully leading us through a study of the Minor Prophets. This morning Greg Mead began a Sunday School class entitled Jesus Christ: God's Son our Savior. This class aims to study the richness of who Christ is and what he has done through consideration of key biblical texts.

Sermon Text for 8/27

Psalm 89

Youth Assemble!

This Saturday the youth will be helping Jerry and Linda Mead pack up the remaining possessions of their home. Meet there at 9am. Lunch provided.

Snapshots in Church History

Next Sunday, August 27th, we will have our last Snapshot in Church History at the church. We will be looking at the influence and importance of Abraham Kuyper's teaching. We would encourage you to join us and be strengthened in your thinking and faith.

Nurture Groups

The 2017 fall season for nurture groups begin Friday, September 8 and Sunday, September 10; times and locations to be announced. These sessions include fellowship, book study and prayer. The book we will be using is The Communion of the Saints by Philip Ryken. To order copies put your name on the list at the rear of the sanctuary. The cost is $10 per copy.

Updated Informational Brochure

As you have opportunity to witness to God's work in your life and give your testimony of faith in Christ, use the informational brochure available on the back table to tell others about our worship, discipleship and fellowship at Pilgrim.

Pilgrim Presbyterian Church Officers

The officers' numbers/emails are listed in the church directory.

Session

TE Dr. Jerry Mead, Pastor
RE Daniel Jones
RE Jim Fink, Clerk
RE Rick Wilburn

Deaconate

Randy Underwood-*Head Usher*
Bill Manuel-*Church Treasurer*
Jeff Jones-*Compassion Fund*
Charles Kemp-*Secretary*
Charles Fahnestock
Bob Deweese-*Chairman*

Staff

Youth Director & Pastoral Intern – Greg Mead
Custodian – Rick Wilburn
Church Secretary – Greg Mead

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Pastor Email: jmead@pilgrimpca.org
Youth Director Email: youth@pilgrimpca.org

Church Web Page: www.pilgrimpca.org
"includes link to Archived Sermons"

Childcare Helpers – Sunday School and Worship

08-20-17	Becky Deweese
08-27-17	Mim Mead
09-03-17	Laurie Hercules
09-10-17	Heather Mead

Greeters

08-20-17	Jim & Rita Fink
08-27-17	Charles & Georgia Fahnestock
09-03-17	Randy & Cathy Underwood
09-10-17	Gene & Shirley Grove

The preaching of the Word is an ordinance of God for our salvation

Sermon: Despair Rooted in Deliverance
Sermon Text: Psalms 88 [Psalter; Pew Bible p 494]
*Hymn "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" # 388
*Blessing John 14:27

Sermon Outline

Introduction:

Since God is in control,
believers know even desperate situations are His doing.

1. A Prayer for Help [vv1-2]

2. In the Shadow of Death [vv3-9]

3. With Questions of Faith [vv10-14]

4. An Unanswered Prayer [vv15-18]