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November 1, 2020

**First Deaf Worship – 9:30 a.m.**

**Worship Leader** – Mike Hurst  
**Song Leader** – Jan Hoffer  
**Message** – Chuck Snyder  
**Interpreter** – Nancy Snyder  
**Greeters/Ushers** – Mike and Gwen Hurst

**First Deaf Church Life Activities Calendar**

November 1 – Turn clocks back one hour.  
November 8, 15, 22 – Chuck Snyder will preach/share to First Deaf congregation  
November 13 – First Deaf Leadership Team meeting at church – 6:30 pm.  
November 17 – First Deaf Mennonite Church Inc. Board meeting – 6:30 pm.  
November 29 – Henry Deller will preach/share to First Deaf congregation  
**NOTE:** Bible study every Wed. on Zoom. 7 pm. No game night till further notice.

**THOUGHTS TO PONDER**

One of the greatest temptations during an election year is to misplace our hope. We are tempted to put our hope in a party or a candidate who we think will save us. We are bound to be disappointed.

Joining the politics of Jesus is about joining God's redemptive plan to save the world. It is about allegiance, hope, and a new kingdom. So I am hopeful – not because I have found a candidate who fulfills my deepest hopes but because I have learned how to hope differently. My hope does not lie in Donald Trump or Joe Biden, or even America. My hope is in Christ alone.

I will vote on Nov. 3. But I will not be looking for a political savior. I will be looking to do damage control. I'll be trying to restrain the principalities and powers that are hurting so many children of God.

If you have a hard time voting for a particular candidate this year, perhaps consider what it means to vote for the people Jesus blessed. Vote for the poor. Vote for the immigrants. Vote for families separated at our border. Vote for those without health care. Vote for the victims of violence. Vote for love.

~By Shane Claiborne, a Christian activist and author who has spoken in Anabaptist churches and conferences. Taken from article: "Jesus isn't on the ballot, but I'll vote"

**OFFERINGS AND ATTENDANCE – October 25**

**Offerings/General Fund**

First Deaf \$1,053.00  
Witmer Heights \$2,387.00

**Attendance/Worship**

First Deaf – 13 church, 12 zoom  
Witmer Heights – 75

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November 1, 2020

**Witmer Heights Worship 10:40 a.m.**

**Gathering/Praising**

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements  
Light the Peace Lamp  
Chimes and Silence  
Call to Worship  
Worship in song

**Hearing**

Children's Time  
Scripture: Matthew 23:1-12  
Sermon: "The Greatest."

**Responding and Sending**

Song of Response  
Sharing /Prayer/Offering\*  
(\*Place offering in container provided on stand.)  
Closing Song  
Benediction

**Worship Service Participants**

**Prelude/Offertory:** Alana Stoltzfus **Song Leader:** Steve Stoltzfus  
**Worship Leader:** Janet Breneman **Children's Time:** Sophia Zook  
**Message:** Wayne Speigle

**Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar**

**November 3 - Invitation to Election Evening Prayer:**

This election season has been particularly challenging. You are invited to participate in a Zoom gathering Tuesday evening, November 3 at 7:30. We will begin with a recorded song, reading and prayer, communion (bring your own.) Less than 30 minutes. Contact Wayne Speigle if you have questions.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71540327606?pwd=TFIhQ2k3OFIleW00V2JHVlRPa2Nydz09> Meeting ID: 715 4032 7606 Passcode: 1FjwJk

November 11 – Pastoral Search Committee meeting.

November 17 – First Deaf Mennonite Church Inc. – Board meeting – 6:30 pm