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**August 18, 2019**

**First Deaf Worship – 9:30 a.m.**

**Worship Leader** – Nelson Gehman  
**Song Leader** – Debra Hoffer  
**Message** – Chuck Snyder  
WH Children’s Bible Memory  
**Interpreter** – Nancy Snyder  
**Greeter/Usher** – Mike Hurst

**First Deaf Church Life Activities Calendar**

Aug. 20 – First Deaf Inc. Board meeting at church – 6:30 pm.  
Aug. 25 – Chuck Snyder will preach/share during First Deaf worship.  
Sept. 1 - After SS Hour, will go to Funck's for fellowship meal . (RSVP to Veturia)  
Sept. 8 – 2nd Annual 3-District Fall Picnic for Lancaster/Lititz/Mellinger Districts.  
Sept. 20 - Deaf Game Night at church 5:30 pm - 10:30 pm (bring finger foods)  
Oct. 6 – World Communion Sunday. Combined service with Witmer Heights.  
Nov. 1-2 – Save this date for workshop by Deaf Bible Society. (Details later)

**First Deaf Summer Sunday school hour schedule:**

Sunday school – August 25  
Social hour – August 18

**OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE – August 11**

**Offerings/General Fund**

First Deaf \$ 521.00  
Witmer Heights \$2,129.75  
S.S. Offering\* \$ 8.00

**Attendance/Worship**

First Deaf - 22  
Witmer Heights - 57

**\*REMINDER.** – This year the Sunday school offerings are going toward raising money for a scholarship for the theological college in Nyabange, Tanzania. (The church and college station are called Bukiroba, which is within the village of Nyabange.) One year of school costs \$600. This education will equip someone to pastor a church. (To date \$615.93 has been given. Can we aim for two?) If adults wish to contribute, along with the children, mark your check or envelope “S.S. offering for theological college” and put it in the church offering basket.

**August 18, 2019**

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

**We Gather to Worship**

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements  
Children’s Bible Memory  
Light the Peace Lamp  
Chime & Silence  
Call to Worship  
Singing together

**We Listen for God’s Voice**

Scripture – Ruth 2  
“Gleanings from Ruth: A Return to Hope”

**We Respond to God**

Song of Response  
Sharing time and Prayer  
Offering/Offertory

**God Sends Us Out**

Closing song  
Benediction

**Worship Service Participants**

**Prelude/Offertory:** Donavan Stoltzfus  
**Song Leaders:** Shelby Swartley and Stoltzfus family  
**Worship Leader:** Janet Breneman **Preacher:** Randy Keener  
**Offering Attendants:** Clair and Anna Kauffman Family  
**Greeters:** John and Mim Buckwalter

**Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar**

Aug. 20 – First Deaf Inc. Board meeting at church – 6:30 pm.  
Aug. 25 – No S.S. Fellowship and refreshments from 9:30-10:30.  
Sept. 8 – 2nd Annual 3-District Fall Picnic. (Details in your mailbox)  
Sept. 20, 21, 22 – Annual Church Retreat at Penn Valley.  
Sept. 29 – Fundraiser meal at Stumptown for Jon/Tricia Stoltzfus family.  
Oct. 6 – World Communion Sunday. Combined service with First Deaf.  
Oct. 13 – Fellowship meal at noon.  
Oct. 21 – WH Volunteer day at MCC Material Resource Center – 9-3:00.