

~ Announcements ~

FOLLOWING WORSHIP, you are invited to Fellowship Hall to enjoy conversation & light refreshments. We will celebrate March birthdays!

THE PRAYER COMMUNITY meets following worship today.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Reader: Vicki McLaughlin
Ushers/Greeters: Lyn Barr; Kari Kornish; Tom Sheperd
Fellowship Hosts: Trudy Bailey, Rachel & Sara Graver
Video: Joe Shane
Audio: Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, IN OUR PRAYERS:

* **in the presbytery:** Duncannon; seeking a pastor
* **in the community:** The Meeting House (Walnut Bottom Rd.)
* **in the congregation (at random):** Barbara Boyer; Jean Ann Jacoby

THIS WEEK, IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH:

+ **Tonight, 5 PM:** Prayer in Motion & A Prayer Walk thru First Church
+ **Monday, 9 AM:** Stewardship & Finance Committee meeting
+ **Tuesday, 7 PM:** Session meeting
+ **Wednesday, Noon:** Concert/Luncheon #4;
Boiling Springs High School Concert Choir
+ **Wednesday, 7 PM:** Choir rehearsal
+ **Saturday:** Fellowship Hall in use

NEXT SUNDAY.....5th Sunday in Lent.....March 26th

~ **9:15 AM:** Prayer, in the sanctuary
~ **9:30 AM:** Education hour; classes for all
~ **10:45 AM:** Worship
~ **After worship:** Fellowship time



WEDNESDAYS IN MARCH, AT NOON
Lenten Concerts & Soup Luncheons

Remaining Performances:

~ March 22: Concert Choir, Boiling Springs High School
~ March 29: Daniel Dorty, Derry Presbyterian, Hershey, organ
You are invited to remain after the concert for a soup luncheon (\$5 suggested donation; all proceeds to Project SHARE). Invite a friend!



Members of the Congregation, Ministers
The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor
The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus
Debby Madden, Educator Emerita
Arthur Thompson, Organist; Ron Richcreek, Music Director
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March 19, 2023

10:45 a.m.

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Abiding Love
Solemn Prelude
How Firm a Foundation

Wells
Callahan
Cherwien

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
~ GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Name of Jesus

Strom

* CALL TO WORSHIP

(*Psalm 145:13-16*)

The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.

**The Lord upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.**

The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.

**You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.**

* HYMN #145 (G) – “There Is a Redeemer”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.
And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Let us pray.

**O Lord our God,
you know us better than we know ourselves.
As we come before you now, we share a deep need,
for we are all lost without your grace.
Search us, O God, and know our hearts;
test us and know our troubled thoughts.
Forgive our wrongs. Give us true repentance.
Transform us by your Spirit,
so that we may live for your glory,
and learn to serve each other more and more each day,
until, through the grace of Jesus Christ,
we come at last to your kingdom.**

(*silent confession . . .*)

AMEN

Friends, believe the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God! AMEN

* RESPONSE #579 – “Gloria Patri”

* PASSING THE PEACE

Just as God has forgiven us in Christ Jesus, let us also forgive
one another and offer signs of peace and reconciliation.
The peace of Christ be with you, **and also with you.**
(*Extend a word of peace with one another . . .*)

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

**Living God, through the reading of the Scriptures
and by the power of your Spirit,
may we hear for ourselves the good news,
and believe, because of your Word,
that Jesus Christ is the Savior of the world. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON Psalm 34:1-8 (O.T., p. 508)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

CHOIR ANTHEM “My Jesus, I Love Thee” Martin

SECOND LESSON I Kings 19:1-18 (O.T., p. 326)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SERMON “A Table in the Wilderness for Elihah” The Rev. Lorenz

* HYMN #234 (G) – “Come to the Water”

* THE NICENE CREED (Traditional)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of
heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe
in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally
begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true
God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the
Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our
salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the
holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For
our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered
death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in
accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come
again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his
kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father**

**and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped
and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the
world to come. AMEN**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER (p. 16, blue hymnal)

GIVING THANKS

OFFERING OURSELVES

Offertory *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* Langlois

* RESPONSE #592 – “Praise God”

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Eternal God, we give our gifts in gratitude,
rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us.
We give our gifts in faith,
trusting that you will provide for our needs.
We give our gifts in hope,
knowing you can use them to spread your love in this world.
And with our gifts, we give ourselves;
May we live with generous hearts, with open hands. AMEN**

SENDING

* HYMN #129 (G) (vs. 1-5) – “Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights”

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING RESPONSE #256 (G) (*refrain*) – “Bless the Lord, My Soul”

**“Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.”**

* POSTLUDE *Voluntary* Stanley

* indicates please stand, if able

BOLD indicates ALL read

(G) indicates use green songbook, “Sing! a new creation”
Children’s Worship Bulletins are available; an usher can assist you

