

~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

TODAY, serving in worship:

Reader: Deb Ryerson
Greeters/Ushers: Richard & Debbie Bressler; Rick Line
Luncheon Hosts: Deacons & Friends
Videographer: Joe Shane
Recorder: Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, in our prayers:

* **in the presbytery:** Second (Carlisle); Rev. Jeff Gibelius
* **in the community:** Bethel AME (E. Pomfret St.)
* **in the congregation (at random):** Earlene Heckendorn;
Bob & Judie Read

THIS WEEK, in the life of the church:

~ **Wednesday, 6 PM:** Ash Wednesday worship service
~ **Wednesday, 7 PM:** Choir rehearsal
~ **Thursday, 8 AM:** Men's Breakfast (Kimberly's Café)
~ **Thursday, 5:30 PM:** "Dining with the Deacons" ([please sign up](#))

NEXT SUNDAY.....FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT.....FEB. 18th

> **9:15 AM:** Prayer, in the sanctuary
> **9:30 AM:** Education hour
> **10:45 AM:** Worship, with Communion;
Sermon, "All the Promises of God: God's Final Word" (Heb. 1:1-6)
> **After worship:** Fellowship time (celebrate Feb. birthdays)
> **Afternoon:** Home Communion served

COMING SOON

+ **Monday, Feb. 19:** Presidents' Day holiday
+ **Tuesday, Feb. 20, 7 PM:** Session meeting
+ **Wednesday, Feb 21, Noon:** 1st Lenten concert/soup luncheon;
featured musician, Art Thompson (organ)



Please sign up in Fellowship Hall to be a Soup Luncheon helper!
Questions? See Deb Richcreek.



THE FAMILY OF JEAN THOMPSON invites all members of our church family to an open house in celebration of her 100th birthday. This will be held **Saturday, Feb. 24, 2-4 PM in Fellowship Hall**. Please stop by and share in this milestone if you can. (NOTE: This is a no-gift event.)



Wednesday, Feb. 14, 6:00 PM



ABOUT TODAY'S HYMNS

- **Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise** is a Welsh folk melody (ST. DENIO) from the early 19th century. It is also known as JOANNA. The text was written by Walter Smith (1824-1908), who was born in Aberdeen, Scotland. He was ordained in 1850 and served in churches in London, Glasgow & Edinburgh. Smith was Moderator of the Free Church of Scotland during its anniversary year (1893).
- **Jesus on the Mountain Peak** has a text by Brian Wren, written in 1988 for inclusion in *The Presbyterian Hymnal (1990)*. The hymn provides a worshipful atmosphere as one sings of the transfiguration of Jesus Christ. The tune MOWSLEY was composed by Cyril Taylor, a musician and theologian.
- **Arise, Your Light Is Come!** was written by Ruth Duck for a collection of hymns adapted for inclusive language. The composer of the tune FESTAL SONG is William Walter who wrote masses, service music & anthems, but is best known for this tune.

(Source: *The Presbyterian Hymnal Companion*, LindaJo H. McKim)



Members of the Congregation, Ministers
The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor
The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus
Debby Madden, Educator Emerita
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February 11, 2024

10:45 a.m.

The Last Sunday after Epiphany
The Sunday Next before Lent

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Deep River Kerrick
Steal Away Callahan
My Lord, What a Morning Lau

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

Air Gawthrop

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

As God spoke, calling light out of darkness,
God's glory shines in the face of Jesus Christ.

* HYMN #263 – “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God our Creator, we confess
that we are broken, sinful creatures.
You shine with perfect beauty,
but we turn away from your presence.
You blaze with heavenly glory,
but we hide our faces from your truth.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Shine in our hearts this day
through the light of your Word
so that we may glorify you forever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

(silent confession . . .)

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* 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 FOR ILLUMINATION

**Saving God, you are the source of our calling.
Your Word is full of power and glory.
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
so that we may receive your grace
and live as your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON II Kings 2:1-12 (O.T., p. 332)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

CHOIR ANTHEM “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” arr. Ringwald

SECOND LESSON Mark 9:2-13 (N.T., p. 44)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SERMON “Jesus, Man of Mystery: Exposed” Rev. Lorenz

* HYMN #74 – “Jesus on the Mountain Peak”

* APOSTLES' CREED (Traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven
and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose
again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth
on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence
he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the
Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. AMEN**

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

GIVING THANKS

OFFERING OURSELVES

Offertory *Allegro* Handel

* RESPONSE #592 – “Praise God”

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**God of grace, we hear your call to generous giving
in the way you meet our needs each day,
and in the peace you give which passes understanding.
Having received so much, we offer all we have,
our time, talents and money for your kingdom.
Bless our giving for the work of your church. AMEN**

SENDING

* HYMN #411 – “Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING RESPONSE – “Psalm 103: 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 *Canzona* Young

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* indicates please stand, if able

BOLD indicates ALL read

Children's Worship Bulletins are available; an usher can assist you

TODAY'S FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God and in honor of
Randy Crawford by Eloise Smith.



Welcome to all who have come to worship!

We bid you a warm welcome in the name of Jesus Christ.

If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become part
of this community of faith and learn about what it means to follow
Jesus Christ. Please join us for worship Sunday mornings at 10:45.

Sunday school precedes worship at 9:30.

Find more information at: www.firstprescarlisle.org.

PLEASE REMAIN TODAY FOR OUR “SOUPER BOWL OF CARING”
SOUP LUNCHEON!