SENDING

- * HYMN #539 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"
- * BENEDICTION
- * CLOSING RESPONSE -- "Near the Cross"

"Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain, there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river."

* POSTLUDE

Marche

Gounod

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* indicates please stand, if able BOLD indicates ALL read

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



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.

~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

TODAY, serving in worship: Reader: Ray Thomas

Greeters/Ushers: Dan & Bonnie Deardorff; Ray Thomas

Fellowship Hosts: Steve & Carlton Walker

Videographer: Joe Shane **Recorder:** Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, in our prayers:

- * in the presbytery: Falling Spring (Chambersburg); Rev. Andrew Hart
- * in the community: State Parks Chaplaincy Program
- * in the congregation (at random): Mary Jane Blosser; Barbara Rebert

THIS WEEK, in the life of the church:

- ~ Monday, 7 PM: Deacons Meeting
- ~ Wednesday, Noon: 3rd Lenten Concert/Luncheon (Janis Glosenger, organ)
- ~ **THURSDAY, 7 PM:** Choir rehearsal (NOTE change)
- ~ Saturday, 9 AM-Noon: PW Coordinating Team meeting (Fellowship Hall)

- NEXT SUNDAY......FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT......MARCH 10TH ~ DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS (Spring Forward!) ~
- > 9:15 AM: Prayer, in the sanctuary
- > 9:30 AM: Education hour
- > 10:45 AM: Worship; Sermon, "All the Promises of God: Jesus—the Great High Priest": Scripture, Hebrews 4:14-5:10
- > After worship: Fellowship time

COMING SOON:

- + Wednesday, March 13, Noon: 4th Lenten Concert/Luncheon; featuring Shippensburg University Vocal Ensemble
- + Sunday, March 17, after worship: Prayer Community meeting
- + Tuesday, March 19, 7 PM: Session meeting
- + Thursday, March 21, 8 AM: Men's Breakfast (Kimberly's Café)
- + Thursday, March 21, 5:30 PM: "Dining with the Deacons" fellowship meal

JEAN THOMPSON and her family wish to thank all those who helped celebrate her 100th birthday! Your kindness is appreciated!



ABOUT TODAY'S HYMNS

- "My Song Is Love Unknown" was written by Samuel Crossman (1624-1683) and published in 1664. Crossman was distinguished as one of the first English poets to write hymns whose content was other than scriptural. He identified himself with the Puritans and was ejected from the Anglican ministry. Later he became a conformist and was appointed one of the king's chaplains. The tune LOVE UNKNOWN was composed for this text by Englishman John Ireland in 1918.
- "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" is from the Latin poem "Jesus dulcis memoria" attributed to Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153). Whether Bermard wrote the hymn is much debated by scholars, some of whom believe it was authored by an anonymous English person from the 12th century. The tune ST. AGNES was composed by John Dykes as the setting of this text. Dykes is known for composing over 300 hymns. He died in Sussex, England in 1862 at the age of 53.
- "Jesus, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" was written by John Ellerton for a music festival in England. The original poem had six stanzas, but Ellerton reduced the number to four for Hymns Ancient and Modern (1868). The tune ELLERS was composed by Edward Hopkins (1818-1901) for this text. Hopkins served as music editor for various hymnals, but ELLERS is his tune most well-known today.

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



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First Presbyterian Church On-the-Square Carlisle, Pennsylvania



March 3, 2024 10:45 a.m.

The Third Sunday in Lent

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Do Not Despair, O Little Flock Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed How Firm a Foundation Behnke Callahan Cherwien

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

Song of Sweetness

Cassler

* CALL TO WORSHIP

(Psalm 95, selected)

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

- * HYMN #76 "My Song Is Love Unknown"
- * PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,
you despise nothing you have made,
and forgive the sins of all who are penitent.
Create in us new and contrite hearts,
that truly repenting of our sins
and acknowledging our brokenness,
we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy,
full pardon and forgiveness,
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. 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

Our Lord and our God,
now as we hear your Word,
fill us with your Spirit.
Soften our hearts
that we may delight in your presence.
Sharpen our minds
that we may discern your truth.
Shape our wills
that we may desire your ways;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

FIRST LESSON Joshua 11:16-23 (O.T., p. 204) (The Word of the Lord: **thanks be to God!**)

CHOIR ANTHEM "Draw Me Near the Cross" arr. Drennan

SECOND LESSON Hebrews 4:1-13 (N.T., p. 220) (The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SERMON "All the Promises of God: Rest" Rev. Lorenz

- * HYMN #310 "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"
- * 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 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 with glory to judge
both 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

Selby

OFFERING OURSELVES

Offertory Allegretto

* RESPONSE #592 – "Praise God"

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty.

All that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours, and you rule over all.

Therefore, Lord, receive our offerings, tangible expressions of love and gratitude.

Transform them into a source of life for many, so that your kingdom may grow in the hearts of all. In the name of Jesus. AMEN