

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8:30 & 11:00 AM

February 14, 2010

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE "Prelude and Fugue in C Major" J. S. Bach

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH
(Please sign the Welcome Pads at the end of each pew)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP (8:30 AM only)
(A brief moment of prayer and reflection in preparation for worship.)

#CHORAL INTROIT "Come into His Presence" Anonymous
Come into His presence singing, "Alleluia!"

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Isaiah 28:16 and Psalm 118)

LEADER: Thus says the Lord God, "Behold, I am the one who has laid as a foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, of a sure foundation."

PEOPLE: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

LEADER: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

PEOPLE: for his steadfast love endures forever!

*HYMN (insert) "In Christ Alone" K. Getty & S. Townend

*CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

Holy God, we know that our hope is found in Christ alone, yet we often turn to things of this world for comfort, reassurance, hope, and guidance. We become immersed in our own agendas and neglect to seek your will for our lives. We have the good news of Jesus Christ, but we don't share it with people who need to hear of the hope we have in him. (Silent Confession)

Forgive us for our timidity in sharing the Gospel. Show us where we need to go and with whom we need to tell the story of Jesus and his love. May we be faithful ambassadors of Christ wherever you send us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

#*CONFESSION RESPONSE "Change My Heart, O God" E. Espinosa
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, may I be like you. You are the potter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

LEADER: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old is past and gone; everything is fresh and new. Beloved in Christ, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*ASSURANCE RESPONSE #579

"Gloria Patri"

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Barney Scholl (8:30)
Michalee Christy (11:00)

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Mark 5:1-20 (p. 36)

#ANTHEM "Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love" E. Titcomb
Jesus! Name of wondrous love! Name all other names above! Unto which must every knee bow in deep humility. Jesus! Name decreed of old to the maiden mother told, kneeling in her lowly cell, by the angel Gabriel. Jesus! Name of priceless worth to the fallen sons of earth, for the promise that it gave, "Jesus shall His people save."

#THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE YOUNGER DISCIPLES Dr. Don Dawson
(Children 0-4 years return to the nursery, and children grades K-5 are dismissed to "Children in Worship.")

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 66 (p. 509)

THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE OLDER DISCIPLES Dr. Don Dawson
"What in the World Is God Doing!"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN (insert) "I Love to Tell the Story" Hankey

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer/Silent Prayer/Congregational Prayer

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” Ken Medema

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

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OFFERING

#Offertory “I Exalt Thee” arr. Mark Hayes
*Response #592 “Doxology” *Old Hundredth*
*Prayer of Dedication & **The Lord’s Prayer**

*HYMN (insert) **“Shine, Jesus, Shine”** Graham Kendrick

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

##*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“The Trees of the Field” Ruben & Dauermann

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there’ll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

*POSTLUDE “Shine, Jesus, Shine” arr. Mark Hayes

The conclusion of worship, and the beginning of service.

*Please stand if you are able. #11:00 AM service only.

The flowers are in memory of
Debbie Frazier

WE WELCOME The Rev. Dr. Don Dawson to our worship services this morning. Don is the Director of World Mission Initiative at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and Director of the New Wilmington Mission Conference. Don is leading our combined Adult Sunday School classes this month.

WELCOME! May all who have gathered, sense the warmth of God’s presence and the encouragement which comes from genuine worship of our Creator. (4)

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MATTHEW 28:19



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“Real people, committed to Christ, living the Great Commandment”

February 14th

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services
Dr. Don Dawson preaching

9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
12:10 PM	Deacons Meeting	Room #206
3:00 PM	Jr. High Big Group to Avalanche Express	
5:30 PM	Sr High Small Groups	
7:00 PM	Missional Church Team	Benedict's Home

Monday, February 15

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #3 Scout Room

Tuesday, February 16

6:30 PM Session Teams Meeting

Wednesday, February 17

7:00 AM	Men's Fellowship Breakfast	Panera's
10:00 AM	PW Ash Wednesday Coffee	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	Pancake & Sausage Supper	Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Worship Service	Sanctuary

Thursday, February 18

10:30 AM	Staff Meeting	Conf. Room
2:30 PM	After School @ First	
6:00 PM	Handbell Practice	Room #206
7:00 PM	Backpack Food Ministry Meeting	Conference Room
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice	Room #303

Saturday, February 20

11:00 AM Memorial Service for Betty Flamberg

February 21st

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9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
5:00-7:00 PM	Children's Swim Party	Radisson
5:30 PM	Jr High Small Groups	
5:30 PM	Sr High Big Group	

7:00 PM Session Meeting

Room #206

IN THE NURSERY this morning our caregivers, Brenda Hall, Norma Pugh and Barb Clawson, will care for our youngest believers.

CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5th, under the direction of Debbie Derrenbacher, Lori Woods and Karen Wood, will be dismissed to the "Children in Worship" program following the "Good News for Children." Children can be picked up in Room #315 following worship. Children 0-4 years old are invited to participate in the nursery program.

REMINDER: The Mission, Discipleship and Membership, Worship and Administration teams were rescheduled for this **Tuesday, February 16**, 6:30-8:00 PM. Nursery care is available.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

10:00 AM – Coffee sponsored by Presbyterian Women. Speaker is Debbie Derrenbacher with the topic "Seeds of Faith."

6:00 PM – Pancake and Sausage Supper sponsored by the Worship Team.

7:00 PM – Ash Wednesday Worship Service

Everyone is welcome to all three of these events.

PAIRS & SPARES is planning a night of music and dancing at Kuzman's Nightclub in Girard on Friday, February 19th. Tommy Chris will be playing his smooth jazz standards. Check out his website www.tommychris.com. The music starts at 8:00 PM and there is a \$4 cover charge. We will meet in the church parking lot at 7:30 to caravan and/or carpool...or you can just meet us over there (1025 South State Street, Girard, Ohio). RSVP to the church office and let us know if you'll be meeting at the church parking lot or at Kuzman's.

TODAY'S MUSIC: Much of the music today celebrates the Good News we have in Jesus Christ our Lord. This is the good news which we are called to share as we tell the story of Jesus and His love to our neighbors who are near and to those who are far away.

PLAN TO ATTEND NOW: "A Big Picture of the Prophets." Dr. Hink will be leading an overview of the Old Testament prophets during Lent (2/24, 3/3, 3/17 and 3/24), 6:30-8:00 PM. All church members and friends are welcome. The class is college seminar in style.

PW CRAFTERS will resume on Wednesday, February 24 at 10 AM in Fellowship Hall. Bring a sack lunch and join us for a time of fellowship and fun.

THE 4TH ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF is Sunday, March 7th at 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. Please call the church office to register your chili and/or soup. In addition to our “Chili Champion,” this year we will also be crowning the first ever “Soup Champion.” Save this date and plan on taking part in this fun event for all ages. Come and find out “Who makes the best chili and soup?”

HAITI RELIEF OFFERING – Three weeks ago we began our special offering for Haiti, and a total of \$4,555.40 has been collected. We will continue to collect this offering for the next few weeks. Please use the “bright green” envelopes for this collection, and make any checks out to the church. We will then send the total collected through the Presbytery to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, designated for “Haiti Relief”.

BACKPACK FOOD MISSION: There are a high number of hungry children in Sharon. We are beginning discussions with Case Elementary, the Community Food Warehouse, and Covenant Presbyterian Church to work together to address this need. If you would like to be part of a leadership team to get this mission “up and running” by fall 2010, come to an information and planning meeting on Thursday evening, February 18, 7 PM at FPC. Contact Dr. Hink with any questions.

PLEASE JOIN the Shenango Valley Chorale and a 20-piece orchestra for a Mid Winter Concert. On February 20th the performance will take place at 8 PM at Notre Dame Church, Hermitage. The performance on the 21st will take place at 2:30 PM at St. Joseph’s Church, Sharon. Music will feature *Lux Aeterna* by Morten Lauridson and a succession of *Gloria in Excelsis Deo*. A free will offering will be taken.

THE OLDER ADULT MINISTRY has 15 tickets for the Westminster College Celebrity Series – “STEPCREW” – Saturday, March 27, 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$31.50. (These are balcony seats – the 2nd best seats in the house.) Dinner at The Tavern prior to the show. Bus will leave the church at 4:45. STEPCREW is a new international dance production. Reservations in the church office.

YEAR OF THE BIBLE: How many lambs were to be offered daily on the sacrificial altar? (Ex. 29:38) What does Moses do with the Ten Commandments when he finds the people worshipping idols at the base of Mt. Sinai? (Ex. 32:19) Name the person who is chosen to succeed Judas as one of the twelve apostles. (Acts 1:26) These questions are from the readings for Feb. 8-9.

LENTEN NOONDAY MEDITATIONS & RECITALS will begin on February 23 at St. John’s Episcopal Church, Sharon. Carillon prelude is at 12:00 noon with the program at 12:10 which is Susan Toth Shafer, contralto. Please join us in a half hour period of spoken and musical meditation followed by a light lunch. A free will offering will be taken.

THE SHARPSVILLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY invites you to a Murder/Mystery Dinner Theater on February 26 and 27th at the First Presbyterian Church of Sharpsville. “I’m Getting Murdered in the Morning” by Lee Mueller will be directed by Maria Ackley. The wedding is at 8 PM with a reception to follow. Tickets are \$20 and are available at Mehler’s Insurance and Sharpsville Boro Building. For more information call 724-962-5101.

THE CHILDREN’S AID SOCIETY OF MERCER COUNTY is looking for people who are able to provide a nurturing environment for children who need a safe, stable home where they can realize their full potential. If you or someone you know is interested in making a difference in a child’s life, adoption may be right for you. For more information, please call the Society at 724-662-4730.

LENTEN CHALLENGE To search our souls, to meditate, will not suffice for Lent. To share the cross, to sacrifice; these are the things God meant.

-Jane McKay Lanning

NO CONDEMNATION The world can be filled with its trials and swords, its famines and perils, it peasants and lords, with power and heights and bitter despair, with sorrow and death and with crosses to bear. Yet which one alone, or combined with the rest can edge out God’s love and the Christ he has blessed? For, no! There is nothing of evil or worth that can separate God from his children on earth!

-Peggy Ferrell

“IN THE CROSS, God descends to bear in his own heart the sins of the world. In Jesus, he atones at unimaginable cost to himself.”

-Woodrow Geier