

8:30 & 11:00 AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
March 7, 2010

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE "Spiritual" Donald Allured
11:00 – Carillon Choir

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

MINUTE FOR MISSION - Habitat for Humanity Barney Scholl

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

#CHORAL INTROIT "Just As I Am" Woodworth
The words may be found in verse 1 of Hymn #370.

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 135:1-3
LEADER: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord; give praise, O servants of the Lord,
CHOIR: you that stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.
PEOPLE: **Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name, for he is gracious.**

*HYMN #458 "Earth and All Stars" Dexter

*CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)
Holy God, our life together as your Church is to bear witness to new life and your coming kingdom. However on this Lenten Sunday we confess that too often our ways are still shaped by the old life. We confess the faith we profess on Sunday often fails to connect to our way of life during the week. We confess that the consumer ways all around us often twist and corrupt the gospel into a message of selfish self-fulfillment. We confess that we often ignore the prophetic voices that disrupt our religious comfort. (Silent Confession)

(2)

Merciful God, in Jesus Christ you have forgiven us, and have called us to live new lives. We pray that we might live together as followers of Jesus Christ in a community that contrasts to the way of life around us, living in faith, hope and love. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who bids us to come and follow so that we might find life. Amen.

#*CONFESSION RESPONSE "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" J. Berthier
O Lord, hear my prayer; when I call answer me; come and listen to me.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS
LEADER: Share, hear and believe the good news!
PEOPLE: **The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." (I Tim. 1:15)**
LEADER: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*ASSURANCE RESPONSE #467 refrain O Store Gud
"How Great Thou Art"
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee, How Great Thou art!

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Carol Bell

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:33-46 (p. 22)

#ANTHEM "Libera Me" from Requiem G. Faure
Sanctuary Choir; Alan Anderson, guest soloist
Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna, in die illa tremenda; Quando coeli movendi sunt et terra; Dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem. Tremens factus sum ego, et timeo, dum discussion venerit, atque ventura ira. Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis, et miseriae; dies illa, dies magna et amara valde. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. (Deliver me, Lord, from death eternal upon that day of terror, upon that day of trial; then shall heaven and earth be moved, be consumed together, for thou shalt come upon the earth in judgment. Trembling, I stand before thee and wait in fear till judgment shall come upon the earth and men shall know thine anger. Day of wrath and doom impending! Death then is struck and all creation wakes. Day of wrath and day of sorrow! Great the waking, exceeding bitter. Rest eternal grant them, Lord; let light perpetual shine upon them.)

#THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE YOUNGER DISCIPLES
(Children 0-4 years return to the nursery, and children grades K-5 are dismissed to "Children in Worship.") (3)

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Amos 7:10-17 (p. 807)

THE GOOD NEWS FOR THE OLDER DISCIPLES

Dr. Hink

“Listening for the Voice of the Prophet”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

#AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (insert)

Theological Declaration of Barmen 8.25-27 (1934)
The Book of Confessions – PC(USA)

*HYMN (insert)

David J. Landegent

“Let Justice Roll Down/With Justice, O Father”

SHARING OF COMMUNION (8:30 AM only)

Invitation and Instruction

Prayer of Thanksgiving and **The Lord’s Prayer**

Words of Institution

Communion

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer/Silent Prayer/Congregational Prayer

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

Sweet Hour

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, Thy wings shall my petition bear To Him, whose truth and faithfulness Engage the waiting soul to bless. And since He bids me seek His face, Believe His word and trust His grace, I’ll cast on Him my every care, And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

OFFERING

#Offertory

“Hear My Prayer”

Moses Hogan

O Lord, please hear my prayer, in the mornin’ when I rise. It’s Your servant bound for glory. Keep me safe within Your arms. When my work on earth is done, and You come to take me home. Just to know I’m bound for glory. And to hear You say well done. Done with sin and sorrow, have mercy. Amen.

*Response #446 v. 4 **“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

Azmon

My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.

*Prayer of Dedication and **The Lord’s Prayer**

“...sins, and those who sin against us...”

*HYMN #434

“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

Kingsfold



*3RD
SUNDAY
OF LENT*

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

March 7th

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services

3rd Sunday of Lent

9:15 & 10:30 AM	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Sunday School K-Adult	
10:00 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Room #303
11:00 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
2:30 PM	Salem Youth Chorus Concert	Sanctuary
5:00 PM	Chili Cook Off	Fellowship Hall
5:30 PM	Jr. High Small Groups	

Monday, March 8

12:00 Noon	Mary/Martha Circle	Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM	Personnel Team	Conference Room
6:00 PM	Boy Scout Red & White Banquet	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, March 9

10:00 AM	PW Coordinating Team	Room #206
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Wednesday, March 10

10:00 AM	PW Crafters	Fellowship Hall
6:30-8:00 PM	Session Teams Meeting	

Thursday, March 11

2:30 PM	After School @ First	
6:00 PM	Carillon Choir Practice	Room #206
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice	Room #303

Saturday, March 13

10:00 AM	College Club	Fellowship Hall
	Turn clocks ahead – Daylight Savings Time	

March 14th

8:30 & 11:00 AM Services

4th Sunday of Lent

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
5:30 PM	Jr Hi Big Group	FPC
5:30 PM	Sr Hi Small Groups	

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

****BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Go Ye Now in Peace”** Joyce Elaine Eilers
Go ye now in peace, and know that the love of God will guide you. Feel His presence here beside you showing you the way. In your time of trouble, when hurt and despair are there to grieve you, know that the Lord will never leave you. He will bring you courage. Know that the God who sent His Son to die that you might live will never leave you lost and alone in His beloved world. Go ye now in peace.

***POSTLUDE** “Etude for Three Octaves” Donald Allured
11:00 – Carillon Choir

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
**Mrs. Dean (Elizabeth Carson) Gathers, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Gathers,
Mr. & Mrs. William Carson**

**THEOLOGICAL DECLARATION OF BARMEN 8.25-27 (1934)
BOOK OF CONFESSIONS – PC(USA)**

LEADER (8.25): “Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age.” (Matt. 28:20)
“The word of God is not fettered.” (II Tim. 2:9)

PEOPLE (8.26): **The Church’s commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of the free grace of God to all people in Christ’s stead, and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work through sermon and sacrament.**

LEADER (8.27): We reject the false doctrine, as though the Church in human arrogance could place the Word and work of the Lord in the service of any arbitrarily chosen desires, purposes and plans.

WELCOME! We welcome you, from wherever you come, to unite with us as we approach our loving Creator in a spirit of worship. Your presence enhances our worship experience.

“THE BIG PICTURE OF THE PROPHETS” will not meet this week due to Dr. Hink’s absence. The class will resume on March 17th.

WE WELCOME Alan Anderson to our 11:00 worship service and thank him for his gift of music today. Alan is a member of the Shenango Valley Chorale and its Madrigal Singers.

IN THE NURSERY this morning our caregivers, Brenda Hall, Rosanne Sauers and helpers, will care for our youngest believers.

CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5th, under the direction of Debbie Derrenbacher and Stephanie Longstreet, 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.

DR. HINK will be gone March 8-15. Please contact Rev. Maloney or the Church Office with pastoral emergencies.

TODAY’S MUSIC: Starting today, the choir will be singing portions from two **Requiem** works: today’s is from Faure’s **Requiem**. In the coming weeks, portions of John Rutter’s **Requiem** will be sung. Requiems are traditionally sung during Lent as they help us think about the death of our Lord. The Offertory Anthem is also especially appropriate during Lent.

The hymn after the sermon is the winner in a recent hymn writing contest sponsored by *Reformed Worship* magazine, the Office of Social Justice of the Christian Reformed Church, and the Calvin Institute of Christian Worship. “Let Justice Roll Down With Justice, O Father” addresses each person of the Trinity separately, then addresses the Triune God. The repeated phrase “Let justice roll down like a strong surging river, as streams so refreshing, let righteousness flow,” comes from Amos 5:24.

The 3rd verse of the last hymn also quotes Amos 5:24.

THE SALEM YOUTH CHORUS will present “Darkness to Morn” at FPC today at 2:30 PM. The chorus under the direction of Jon Simsic will present choral music by Palestrina, Parry, Holst, Rutter and a complete performance of **Chicester Psalms** by Leonard Bernstein. A freewill offering will be accepted to benefit the Youth Chorus.

THE 4TH ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF is tonight at 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. In addition to our “Chili Champion,” this year we will also be crowning the first ever “Soup

Champion.” Come and take part in this fun event for all ages. Come and find out “Who makes the best chili and soup?”

THE OLDER ADULT MINISTRY still has 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 does Israel determine when to move to a new location in the wilderness? (Num. 9:15-23) In what city does Paul find an altar dedicated “To an unknown god?” (Acts. 17:23) Why is Miriam struck with leprosy? (Num. 12)

SWEETS FOR OUR SWEET SENIORS has been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 17 at 11:30 AM in the Parlor. Mark your calendars. Please call the Church Office with your reservation by March 15th.

LENTEN NOONDAY MEDITATIONS & RECITALS continues on March 9 at St. John’s Episcopal Church, Sharon. Carillon prelude is at 12:00 noon with the program at 12:10 which is Jonathan Moser and Mary Moser, violins. 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.

VBS TEAM MEETING: Bring your brown bag supper to the church at 5:15 p.m. on March 10th and help us begin our Egyptian Journey to explore the culture of Joseph’s world. Our Holy Land adventure to Egypt is only 120 days away! Contact Debbie Derrenbacher to be involved: text 724/866-1588; email dcm@1stpcs.org.

TAIZE AT VILLA MARIA This special “Sung prayer” worship service will be at the Villa Maria Retreat Center on Tuesday evening, March 16, 7 PM. Dr. Hink will drive the church bus to the service for those who wish to ride the bus (call the church office to make a reservation or office@1stpcs.org). Following the service the bus will stop at Ruby Tuesday for dessert and fellowship.

DINNER THEATER@FIRST – Sunday, March 28, dinner by the Presbyterian Women at 6 PM, theater by the Covenant Players at 7 PM. Tickets: Adults \$15, Children 12 and under \$10, Theater only \$5. The tickets for “dinner and theater” are limited to 100. Purchase your tickets ASAP. **Call 724-342-3551** for tickets.

THE SSS TEAM (Seniors Serving Seniors thru Song) will be resuming their ministry to area nursing homes on Tuesday, March 23rd. We welcome all who would like to brighten the lives of nursing home residents by singing familiar hymns. Please call Ina Frazier 724-981-8951 for more information.

2010 SCHAFF LECTURES will be Tuesday, March 23 at First Presbyterian Church, Youngstown. Speaker is Dr. Daniel O Aleshire, Executive Director of the Association of Theological Schools. There is a catered buffet supper at 5:30 PM for \$10 per person with reservations due by March 17th. The lecture, “Shepherd, CEO, Entrepreneur, and Social Worker: Pastoral Leadership and the Work of God’s People,” at 7:00 PM is open to the public with no reservations required. Forms are available in the Church Office.

SUPPORT HABITAT FOR HUMANITY. The Wave Restaurant will be hosting a fund raising dinner for Habitat on Wednesday, March 31st from 5:00-7:00 PM. Tickets are \$20 each and can be bought from Barney Scholl or Shari Getway.

THE YOUNGSTOWN CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS will present Eileen Guenther, President of the National American Guild of Organists, in an organ concert at First Presbyterian Church, Youngstown, on Sunday, March 21 at 4:00 PM. The concert is open to the public. A free will offering will be received.

ATTENTION SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – There will be **no classes** on Easter Sunday, April 4. There will be Children in Worship during the 11:00 AM service.

IT’S COMING! Presbyterian Women will hold their annual rummage sale Friday, April 30 and Saturday, May 1. Items may be brought to the church Monday, April 26 through Thursday, April 29. We do not have space to store items prior to Monday, April 26. More information to follow!

THE U. S. CENSUS BUREAU has employment opportunities available. Call their toll free number to be scheduled for a basic skills test: 1-866-861-2010. Also visit their website for more information: www.2010censusjobs.gov.



EASTER FLOWERS

Once again we have the opportunity of furnishing flowers for our Easter morning worship service, April 4th. We have been offered the following wholesale prices. If you would like to place an order, please complete the form and attach your check made payable to “First Presbyterian Church” with the notation “Easter Flowers” marked in the corner. You can order by mailing your request in or dropping your request in the offering plate. Flowers will be available for you to take home following the 11 AM service on Easter Sunday. The deadline for ordering is Sunday, March 14th. The plants will be foil wrapped and include a bow.

Daffodils	\$7.50 each	_____
Hyacinths	\$6.50 each	_____
Blue, Pink, White		
Lilies	\$6.50 each	_____
Mums	\$6.50 each	_____
White, Yellow, Lavender/Pink		
Tulips	\$6.50 each	_____
White, Yellow, Pink, Red		

I would like to furnish _____ plants for Easter.

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I wish to take my flower(s) after worship (Circle one) Yes No
Check attached Yes No

Signed _____

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