

APRIL 3, 2022



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

10:30 AM

Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God's grace and peace fill you.

PRELUDE

Ring Merrily; That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright
JuBELLation Handbell Choir

STRIKING THE HOUR

GREETING

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Announcements

Prayer Concerns

INTROIT

Father God

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

P: For the Lord is about to do a new thing!

L: Now it springs forth. Do you not perceive it?

P: The Lord has prepared a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert to give us drink.

L: Declare God's praise, O people! Honor the Lord, with every living thing!

P: We thank you, mighty God! We declare your praise!

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN

I Will Sing of My Redeemer

CH 309

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, you have done great things for us; you have graciously chosen and formed your people that we might worship you and declare your praise. Yet, we confess, we often forget our joyful calling; we foolishly place confidence in the flesh, as though we had reason to boast or a righteousness of our own. Forgive us, O God, for every failure of our faith and worship, for every forgetful moment when we lose sight of Christ, who alone is righteous and mighty to save. Restore us, we pray, and exchange joy for our tears, faith for our sin, righteousness for our self-regard; this we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

L: In Christ alone we stand to gain that which is worth more than everything!

P: The past is gone and is counted as loss, for we are forgiven in Christ!

L: Now press on toward the goal, not because it already belongs to you, but because you now belong to Jesus Christ, through whom we have the forgiveness of our sins.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

PH 81 (vs 1)

Lord Who through-out these forty days For us didst fast and pray,
Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, And close by Thee to stay.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

OFFERING

Offertory

Holy Is the Lord

Handbell Choir

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

ANTHEM

He Never Said a Mumblin' Word

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

NT LESSON:

John 12:1-8

SERMON

God Moves Us to Empty Ourselves

The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith

HYMN

Lead Me to Calvary (vs. 1, 3, & 4)

CH 310

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE

I Exalt Thee

PRAYERS

Prayer Concerns

Charlotte Dale Nita Wimer Martha Wilkerson Stewart Sherwood
Linda Queen Linda Licklitter Dick Hippeard D. W. Sensabaugh

Shut-Ins

Charlotte Dale – Baldwin Park
Tim Clemmer – The Legacy
Jean Flower – The Legacy

Birthdays

5 Jason Mader

Anniversaries

None

Serving Our Country

Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice
Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and the late Willis Clemmer
Christopher Todd – Grandson of Ralph and the late Ruth Weller
Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today April 3
10:30 AM Worship
Chancel Choir practice immediately following worship
Greeters & Ushers: Jim McKenna, Debbie Sedr and 2 more needed

Thursday April 7
5:15 PM JuBELLation Handbell Choir

Next Sunday April 10
10:30 AM Worship
Chancel Choir practice immediately following worship
Greeters & Ushers: All are needed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETERS & USHERS

The sign-up sheet for greeters and ushers for the the month of **April** is on the table in back of the sanctuary. Thanks so much for your help.

WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith as our new organist! Mary Jo bring a wealth of talent and experience to share with our church family. She and her husband, Gary, recently relocated to the Shenandoah Valley. More information is available about Mary Jo's vast experiences in the April Newsletter. Welcome Mary Jo and Gary!

MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH

There will be a meeting on **Tuesday, April 5 at 10 AM** in the Parlor to discuss volunteering for Trinity Noon Lunch. We ask anyone interested to join us in planning the next noon lunch. (More information will be in newsletter)

Note to members of Membership and Outreach: A meeting will be held right after we discuss the Trinity noon lunch.

Debbie Sedr

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The first two pages of the church directory are missing. If anyone locates those pages, please place back with the third page. In case they're not located, another set has been placed on the table for you to check and make any corrections. I am sorry for the inconvenience.

FLOWER BED

The flower bed project has begun! We plan to have perennials and annuals planted in the spring and ask for donations. Enclosed in the bulletin are envelopes marked "flower bed donations." If you write a check, please make out to Second Presbyterian Church and on memo line list "flower bed donation." It can be placed in the offering plate. Thanks so much!

Debbie Sedr

Mark your calendar for **2 Holy Week events:**

Thursday, 4/14/22 @ 7 PM Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, 4/15/22 @ 12 Noon Good Friday music drama featuring Mary
Jo Ramsey-Smith



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN 2022 SPRING GATHERING

The Presbyterian 2022 Spring Gathering *Go Out With Joy and Be Led Forth With Peace* will be held on Saturday, **April 9** at Massaneta Springs Camp and Conference Center.

8:30 AM	Registration, Exhibits and Refreshments
9:30 AM	Meeting, worship, installation of officers, communion, and music
12:30 PM	Luncheon

Registration forms are in the narthex. The deadline to register is **April 4**.

THE SESSION

Class of 2022

Mark Robertson
Nancy Swisher
Paul Wolfe

Class of 2023

Frank Brown
Mary Rainey
Debbie Sedr
Jerry Siford

Class of 2024

Amanda Harris
Jim McKenna
Rick Myrah
Sherrill Robinson

Evan R. Smith, Moderator

Nancy Swisher, Clerk

TRUSTEES

Class of 2021

Ralph Weller

Class of 2022

Dick Hippeard

Class of 2023

Betty Clemmer

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Moderator.....Mary Rainey
Vice-Moderator.....Pat Blackley
Secretary.....Talitha Hippeard
Treasurer.....Sue Gochenour

SESSION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Christian Education/Worship.....Mary Rainey & Jim McKenna
Membership & Outreach.....Debbie Sedr & Sherrill Robinson
Mission & Community Service.....Frank Brown & Amanda Harris
Stewardship and Finance.....Mark Robertson
Property..... Paul Wolfe & Rick Myrah
Personnel.....Pam Snyder

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor.....The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith
Secretary.....Kay Waitier
Music Director.....Pam Snyder
Organist.....Mary Jo Ramsey-Smith