

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY MORNING
MARCH 15, 2020



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The Third Sunday in Lent
Pastors Richard B. & Catharine Senft Geib
Seminary Intern Kristen Barnes

March 15, 2020
8:30 & 11 AM

** Indicates Congregation Standing*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Children's Sermon

Special Music (11 AM)

"Spreading Your Love"

Saplings

Confession and Forgiveness

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who is present, who gives life, who calls into existence the things that do not exist.

C. Amen.

P. If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

P. Gracious God,

C. have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever.

Amen.

P. Receive good news: God turns to you in love. "I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live," says our God. All your sin is forgiven in the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God's grace for you.

C. Amen

❖ Hymn

"Give Me Jesus"

#770

❖ Greeting

p.147

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. And also with you.

❖ Kyrie

Your Heart, O God, Is Grieved

Vieme to, Panez, Bože náš

Leader



Otče nebeský, Svoritel' u sveta, Bo - že, zmi - luj sa nad na - mi.
 1 O God, Father in heav - en, have mer - cy up - on us.
 2 O Son of God, redeemer of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
 3 O God, Holy Spir - it, have mer - cy up - on us.

All



Vie - me to, Pa - ne Bo - že náš, že sa na
 Your heart, O God, is grieved, we know, by ev - 'ry
 Your arms ex - tend, O Christ, to save from sting of
 O lav - ish Giv - er, come to aid the chil - dren



nás hrieš - nych hne - váš, sved - či o tom smrt'
 e - vil, ev - 'ry woe; up - on your cross - for -
 death and grasp of grave; your scars be - fore the
 that your word has made. Now make us grow and



ne - vin - ná Tvoj - ho je - di - né - ho Sy - na.
 sak - en Son our death is laid, and peace is won.
 Fa - ther move his heart to mer - cy at such love.
 help us pray; bring joy and com - fort, come to stay.

Text: Jiří Tranovský, 1591–1637; tr. Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919
 Music: ZŇAME TO, PANE BOŽE NÁŠ, *Tranoscius*, 1636
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❖ Prayer of the Day

P. Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

¹From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me."
⁵The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

L: This is the Word of the Lord **R: Thanks be to God**

Psalm 95 (Sung Responsively)

¹Come, let us sing | to the LORD;
 let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.

²**Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving
 and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.**

³For you, LORD, | are a great God,
 and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.

⁴**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;
 the heights of the hills are | also yours.**

⁵The sea is yours, | for you made it,
 and your hands have molded | the dry land.

⁶**Come, let us worship | and bow down,
 let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.**

⁷For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep | of God's hand.

Oh, that today you would | hear God's voice!

⁸**"Harden | not your hearts,
 as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah | in the desert.**

⁹There your ancestors | tested me,
 they put me to the test, though they had | seen my works.

¹⁰**Forty years I loathed that gener- | ation, saying,
 'The heart of this people goes astray; they do not | know my ways.'**

¹¹Indeed I swore | in my anger,
‘They shall never come | to my rest.’”

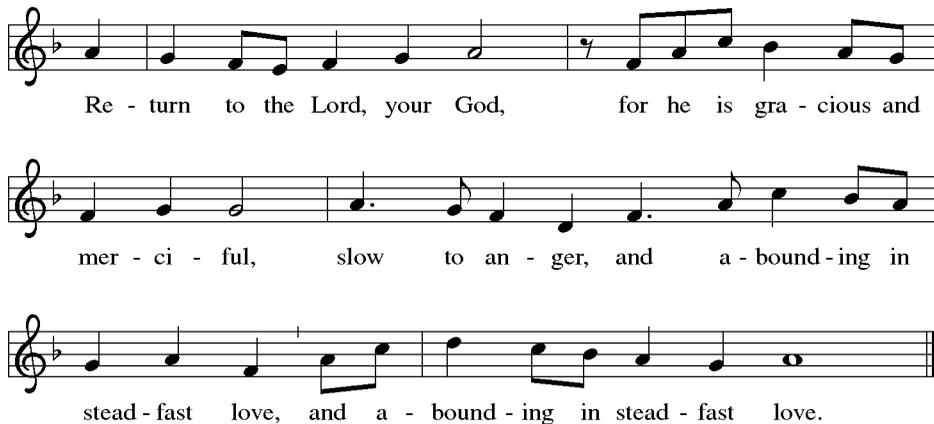
Second Lesson

Romans 5:1-11

¹Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

L: This is the Word of the Lord R: Thanks be to God

Lenten Verse



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

⁵[Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.⁶Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.⁷A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."⁸(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?"¹²Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,¹⁴but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back."¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband';¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!"¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet.²⁰Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him.²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us."²⁶Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."²⁷Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?"²⁸Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people,²⁹"Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"³⁰They left the city and were on their way to him.³¹Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something."³²But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about."³³So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?"³⁴Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work.³⁵Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting.³⁶The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together.³⁷For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.'³⁸I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."³⁹Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony,

“He told me everything I have ever done.” ⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹And many more believed because of his word. ⁴²They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

- ❖ P. This is the Gospel of our Lord
- ❖ **C. Praise to you O Christ**

Sermon

Pastor Catharine Senft Geib

- ❖ **Hymn of the Day** ***“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”*** **#843**
- ❖ Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
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 Church
- ❖ Sharing God’s Peace
P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C. And also with you.

Offertory/Offering

❖ Offertory Response

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Offering Song

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

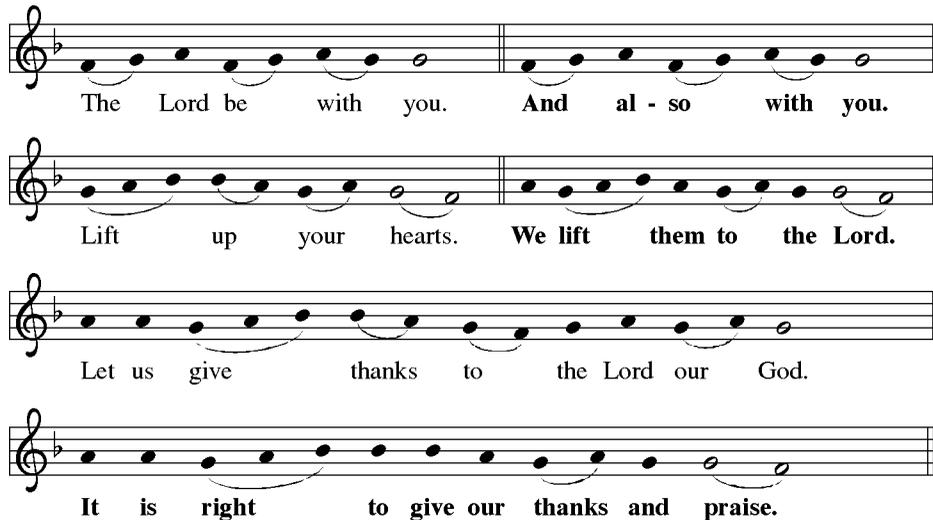
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❖ Offertory Prayer

A. Let us pray. Holy and generous host, you set a table where we feast as friends. Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **C. Amen**

❖ Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

❖ Proper Preface

❖ Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

- ❖ Eucharistic Prayer
- ❖ Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
 forever and ever. Amen.

All who are baptized are invited to share the Lord's Supper with us.

We offer the common cup as a sign of our unity in Christ. Individual glasses are also offered. Non-alcoholic wine is used for the Sacrament of the Cup. Gluten free wafers are available upon request

Distribution

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion hymns; "We Come to the Hungry Feast" #479
 "Change My Heart, O God" (repeat) #801

❖ Post Communion Blessing

❖ Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.... We thank you, living God, for the body and blood of your Son, which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us in this feast, so send us to love Christ in our neighbors. In Jesus' name we pray.

C. Amen.

❖ Benediction

P. God, who fills the creation with abundance, Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness, Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us, ✝ bless you and bring you to life everlasting.

C. Amen.

❖ Hymn

“Let Streams of Living Justice”

#710

❖ Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God

❖ Postlude

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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP THIS MORNING! We are blessed by your presence and pray that you are blessed in your worship with us. If you are a visitor, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. Please sign our guestbook!

ALL WHO ARE BAPTIZED are invited to share in the Lord's supper with us. We offer the Common Cup as a sign of our unity in Christ. Individual glasses are also offered. Non-alcoholic wine is used for the Sacrament of the Cup. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

LARGE PRINT bulletins and personal receivers for the hearing impaired are located on the shelf to your left as you enter the worship space.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God in honor of Mike Arnold's 50th birthday given by his family. Flower delivery by Jacki McElhattan.

MARCH ADULT SCS

March 15, 22, & 29: Three week series led by Chelle Huth on Lutheran Worship

THANKS TO Marcia Bendiksen for accompanying the 11 AM service while Joe fulfills a work commitment.

THE HAM AND GREEN BEAN LUNCH for March 22 has been cancelled.

CONGREGATIONAL HEALTH PRACTICES: COVID-19 (coronavirus) is expected to expand into the U.S. mid March - April. The following are some recommended precautions:

1. **NO HANDSHAKING:** use fist bump, elbow bump or slight bow when greeting parishioners or at the passing of the peace.

2. Wash hands with soap and water for 10-20 secs or say the Lord's Prayer twice.

Or use 60% alcohol-based sanitizer, ie Purell upon returning home from any activity where other people have been or contact with door handles/surfaces where the virus can live for 1 week. You may use hand sanitizer prior to communion.

3. Keep a bottle of hand sanitizer on you.

4. Cough and sneeze into a disposable tissue and discard. Or use your elbow.

5. Stay home if you are sick.

The virus is spread in large droplets by coughing and sneezing. This means that the air will not infect you! BUT all the surfaces where these droplets land are infectious for about a week on average. The virus is on surfaces and you will not be infected unless your unprotected face is directly coughed or sneezed upon. The virus only infects your lungs. The only way for the virus to infect you is through your nose or mouth via your hands or an infected cough or sneeze onto or into your nose or mouth.

THE MIDWEEK LENTEN SCHEDULE continues on Wednesday, March 18 – Soup Supper at 5 PM, Bible Study led by Pastor Richard and Seminarian Kristen Barnes on some of the psalms, Holden Village Evening Prayer at 7 PM. Sign up to contribute soup, bread or dessert for the soup supper . The midweek preaching series will focus on the Old Testament readings for the Sundays in Lent.

THE NEXT MEN'S BREAKFAST will be held on Saturday, March 21 at 9 AM at the Peachtree Restaurant on Progress Avenue. Sing up on the narthex table.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE has scheduled a property workday for Saturday, March 28 at 8 AM. We have many jobs that need to be done and hope that even more of our members will sign up. We can keep folks of all age groups and abilities busy. We plan to tanbark, trim and prune shrubs, wash windows inside and out, wipe down and disinfect hard surfaces, clean out and clean up the church nursery, clean out and clean up the Fellowship Hall closet and wipe down all tables and chairs. Please consider signing up to help, even if you can only help for a couple hours. We need wheel barrows, rakes, shovels, cleaning clothes, windex, chain saws, pruners, trimmers, leaf blowers and smaller sized ladders. Donuts, coffee, juice and a feeling of accomplishment will be offered in return.

THE READING OF NAMES of those killed in the Shoah/Holocaust will happen this year on Monday, April 20 thru Tuesday, April 21. We have been asked to take an evening slot on Tuesday from 6:30-7 PM. Are you interested? We'll meet at 5 PM at Tree of Life and have a kosher supper together (chkn. matzah ball soup, grilled pastrami sandwiches, etc) and then car pool to Temple Beth Shalom in Mechanicsburg where the event will be held this year. Sign up on the narthex table, if you plan to participate. You do not need to read, but can just sit as witnesses. We will stay until 7:30 and then head home.

STEPHEN MINISTRY FOR LENT...The humanity of Christ is a key theme of Lent. Jesus experienced times of loneliness, sadness, hurt, anger, disappointment, grief and abandonment. Part of God's plan is for each of us to turn to others for help. Our Stephen Ministers walk with you, listen to you, pray with you, encourage you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through tough times. Most of all, they bring the love of Jesus. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, talk to Pastor Richard Geib.

FEEDING THE 5000 Feeding the 5000 is a program run through the Social Ministry committee. Once a week, on Thursday morning at 5:30 AM a group of volunteers prepare meals for approximately 400 people. They are delivered to some of the local homeless shelters or soup kitchens in the area including Bethesda Mission and Downtown Daily Bread. In 2019, we prepared approximately 20,425 meals. Our goal in 2020 is to prepare another 20,000 meals. We can always use more volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact LuAnn Wilkinson-Doyle at luashopper72@gmail.com. If you would like to donate food, we can always use the following: (#10 Cans/ 105 oz.) diced or crushed tomatoes, tomato sauce, and any vegetable: diced potatoes, green beans, peas, great northern beans, black beans, etc. Also 1 pound boxes of penne pasta or rotini pasta and 10 pound bags of parboiled rice are appreciated. Thank you.

REGISTRATION MATERIALS AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION for summer camp at Nawakwa and Kirchenwald are on the narthex table. Tree of Life offers generous scholarship help, though it is helpful if you can contribute something to the registration fee so that the help is available for as many as possible. Remember to take advantage of the early registration discount as well as the camperson discount! We love having our children, youth and adults attend camp. They bring back gifts and commitment that support the life of our congregation.

JOIN INTERN KRISTEN in getting to know some of Harrisburg's social service providers during Lent. On Thursday, March 19, at 9:30am we will visit the Health Ministries hosted by Christ Lutheran Church. E-mail kbarnes@uls.edu if you are interested in meeting at the branch office to carpool.

WE NEED HELP IN THE SEWING ROOM WITH MATERIAL. Needed: any kind of medium weight material in lengths of at least a yard and 1/2 each or more, denim, corduroy etc. The material can be plain, flowered, striped or other. The material is being used to make back packs that we put our school supplies in to send to Lutheran World Relief. Our Church makes about 150 packs each year. Your help will be most appreciated in this ministry. We have 3 back packs hanging in the Narthex to better see what we need.

THE POVERTY SIMULATION is a true-to-life role playing to experience first-hand the challenges, decisions, and life of someone in poverty. Poverty Simulations are thought provoking and lead to powerful conversations, and they help us all realize that it takes a community to end poverty. Christian Churches United is sponsoring this at Harrisburg Brethren in Christ Church, 2217 Derry Street in Harrisburg on Saturday, March 21 from 8:30 am to Noon. There is no cost, but registration is required by contacting Darrel Reinford, CCU Executive Director, at 717-230-9550 or dreinford@ccuhbg.org.

THE PET MINISTRY would like to thank everyone who donated items for the 2nd Chance for Life Ranch Animal Rescue. We dropped off a huge amount of dog beds, dog and cat toys, food, blankets, cleaning supplies, gift cards and more. The Rescue asked me to thank the congregation for their generosity. You can check out the donations on the Church Facebook page.

BRASS PLAYERS YOUNG AND OLD...make a joyful noise on Easter Sunday! E-mail Intern Kristen at kbarnes@uls.edu if you are interested and we will coordinate music and a rehearsal with Joe.

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET The woman said to Jesus, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." *Jesus tells the Samaritan woman, "The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life" (John 4:14b). Watering your soul with Christ's living water is good stewardship indeed!*

GIVINGS

	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>NEEDED</u>
PREVIOUS WEEK	\$ 10,403.50	\$ 11,770.00
YEAR TO DATE	\$ 108,900.48	\$ 117,671.91

WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUN: (Third Sunday in Lent) Worship 8:30 AM; SCS/Cat's 9:45 AM; Worship 11 AM; Sudan Worship 2 PM; Youth Group 5:30 PM

MON: Finance Committee 7 PM

TUES: Harrisburg Conference Meeting (Christ, Linglestown) 9:30 AM

WED: Midweek Lent Schedule: Soup Supper 5 PM, Bible Study 6 PM; Evening Prayer 7 PM; Adult Bell Rehearsal 6 PM; Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM

THURS: Faith w/Friends 9:45 AM; Basketball 5 PM; Stephen Ministry Supervisory Group (B.O.) 6:30 PM; Harrisburg Conference Spring Assembly (Holy Trinity, Hershey) 7 PM

FRI: Office Closed; Jeff Johns Basketball Practice (FH) 6 PM

SAT: Men's Breakfast (Peachtree) 9 AM; (Fourth Sunday in Lent) Worship 5 PM

NXT SUN: (Fourth Sunday in Lent) Worship 8:30 AM; SCS/Cat's 9:45 AM; Worship 11 AM; Sudan Worship 2 PM

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

8:30 AM

11 AM

Greeters:	Walter McGurn	WEE TLC
Ushers:	Gary & Sue Funk	Dave Atkinson Riley & Taylor Thompson
Acolyte:	Addison Groff	Aiden Mallon
Lector:	Linda Romanak	Wendy Harrison
Communion Asst:	Tom Krape Debbie Clark	Wendy Harrison Cathy Paul
Asst. Minister:	Kristen Barnes	Kristen Barnes
Communion Bread:	Lisa Jeanne Thorwart	Lisa Jeanne Thorwart
Communion Wine:	Don Mattson	Don Mattson
Altar Care:	Karen Roccasecca	Wendy Harrison

Worship Leader Coordinators:

Acolytes: Wendy Harrison (717-418-2054)
Asst. Ministers: Tom Krape (717-526-4946)

Lenten Midweek Worship 2020: This year, Pastors Richard and Catharine along with Seminarian Barnes, will alternate midweek Lenten preaching on a sermon series focusing on the Old Testament readings for Lent:

Week 1 (March 4): First man, First woman and a Serpent

Offering: Tech 4 Tanzania

Scripture: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Hymn: "Restore in Us, O God" #328

Week 2 (March 11): Abram, Sarai and a Call

Offering: Dauphin County CASA

Scripture: Genesis 12:1-4a

Hymn: "Bless Now, O God, the Journey" #326

Week 3 (March 18): Moses, God and a Rock

Offering: Lutheran Camping Corp. of Central Pa.

Scripture: Exodus 17:1-7

Hymn: "As the Deer Runs to the River" #331

Week 4 (March 25): Samuel, David and a King

Offering: Congregational Mission Fund, Lower Susquehanna Synod

Scripture: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Hymn: "The Lord's My Shepherd" #778

Week 5 (April 1): Ezekiel, the Holy Spirit and a Valley of Bones

Offering: United Lutheran Seminary

Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Hymn: "Veni Sancte Spiritus" (repeat) #406

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Saturday, April 4 and Sunday, April 5: Palm Sunday Services
Holy Wednesday, April 8: Corporate Confession w/Individual Absolution 7 PM
Holy Thursday, April 9: Lord's Supper w/Stripping of the Altar 7 PM
Holy Friday, April 10: Good Friday Tenebrae Service 7 PM
Holy Saturday, April 11: Great Easter Vigil 7 PM

Easter Sunday, April 12

Sunrise Service 6:30 AM
Continental Easter Breakfast
Festival Service 8:30 AM
Continental Easter Breakfast
Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM
Festival Service 11 AM

Welcome Statement

We proclaim that all people are created in the image of God and affirm that each person, inclusive of age, economic status, faith history, ethnicity, gender, mental or physical ability, marital/relationship status, sexual orientation, or gender identification, is a beloved child of God and, through Christ, worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all.

Mission Statement

Welcome in love to Tree of Life Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We Affirm that we are a community called and empowered by God through Word and Sacrament. We Believe that Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, sends us into the world to share God's love through our words and actions. Though we are a community shaped by diverse traditions, we affirm one Lord, who is revealed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and one Faith, that brings all peoples together. We Commit ourselves to a life of worship, service, fellowship, education and witness in this place, in the world, and to each other. To this purpose we pledge our time, talent, and treasure, and invite all persons to share in the growth of the Christian ministry of Tree of Life Lutheran Church.