

**THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
SACRAMENT OF THE LORDS'S SUPPER**
First Lord's Day in Lent (A)

**BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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PITTSBURGH, PA 15236**

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Mr. Tom Yousko, Liturgist
Rev. Dr. James K. Smith, Sr., Pastor Emeritus

11.00 A.M.

March 1, 2020

WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST
(Please be seated in silence)

First Organ Prelude

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Antiphonal

Leader: Most High, we come as pilgrims from the wilderness of our lives to dwell in your shelter,

People: *To abide under the shadow of the Almighty.*

Leader: As we begin our Lenten journey with Jesus, bring us face to face with some of our own weaknesses and temptations;

People: *Let us not be afraid.*

Leader: It was never promised that we would not be tempted, not be tested, not stumble and fall,

People: *But that you would deliver us from every evil.*

Leader: We call, and you answer; binding us to yourself in gracious love. You are our refuge and our fortress, whose protection follows us all our days.

People: *O God, we place our trust in you.*

Leader: You make us heirs to a destiny that is the envy of the angels in heaven.

People: *To know you is to live, to serve you is to reign.*

THE BODY IS CALLED TOGETHER BY THE SPIRIT

*Hymn

#181

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

*Prayer of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: God of love, as in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us, so may we give ourselves to you, living according to your holy will. Keep our feet firmly in the way where Christ leads us; make our mouths speak the truth that

Christ teaches us; fill our bodies with the life that is Christ within us. In his holy name we pray. *Amen.*

HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS

***Call to Confession**

Let all of God's children speak honestly and confess our sins to the One who listens and keeps us from danger when the storms rage, reminding us that we are free.

***Prayer of Confession**

Unison

Merciful One, we need you. Temptation is woven into the very fabric of our lives. Because we trust what we see, our prejudices can distort our vision. We see the broken before the whole, decry the half-filled cup, bemoan the unfinished task, and lament the thirst we feel in the wilderness of our desires. Our need to be right can trump our ability to be righteous. Because we do not know what we do not know, we need you God. Liberate us from the burden of our mistakes and anxieties, and renew us in the joy of your salvation through the grace, mercy and love of your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray, saying: "Our Father.....Amen."

***Silent Prayer**

***Assurance of Pardon**

Oh, what joy for those whose sins are forgiven, by God's mercy and grace! Let us rejoice therefore in God's unflinching love, which has yet again set us free.

Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

#546

The Peace

Offertory

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***Organ Response**

#552

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Doxology**

#544

***Hymn**

#195

“In the Cross of Christ, I Glory”

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer of Illumination

Unison

Holy Spirit, just as you led Jesus in the wilderness, lead us in the desert of our longings. Nourish and energize us by speaking your Word directly to our hearts. Grant to us that spiritual peace that renews our lives with a quick and ready faith. Let it be so for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

First Reading

Pew Bible pg. 2

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Second Reading Pew Bible pg. 156

Romans 5:12-19

Gospel Reading Pew Bible pg. 3

Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon **Rev. Walkup**

"In the Wilderness"

WE ARE NOURISHED IN HIS SPIRIT

Invitation **Minister**

The Great Thanksgiving **Responsive**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

L: Give thanks to God, for he is good.

P: His love is everlasting.

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Petition

Affirmation of Faith **Apostles' Creed**

Hymnal pg. 12; using "Holy Spirit"

Words of Institution

Sacrament of the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

***Hymn**

INSERT

“Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

***Charge & Blessing**

***Postlude**

****Please Stand if Able***

WORSHIP & COMMUNION TEAM TODAY: Jim Palmer, Darlene Degenhardt, Diane McGreevy, Giness Mumba

WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK: Colleen Frey, Sean Frey, Craig Frey

Bible Readings



- SUNDAY:** "Starting The Day With God" Psalm 5:1-12
- MONDAY:** "How To Pray" Matthew 21:12-16
- TUESDAY:** "Weary With regret" Psalm 51:1-17
- WEDNESDAY:** "Waiting For God" Genesis 41:14-16, 39-43
- THURSDAY:** "A Wonderful Family" Luke 10:38-42
- FRIDAY:** "Building A Bridge" Hebrews 13:1-3
- SATURDAY:** "Soaring" Isaiah 40:28-31

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "In the morning , LORD you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests efore yu and wait expectantly. Psalm 5:3 (NIV)

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Pray for Jay Torrance, Dorothy Williams, Mary Ellen Shenkle, Brenda Torrance, George Briggs, Cheryl Harriet, Jock Murphy, Shirley Hahn, Lynne Smith, Sarah Harriett, Vince Wisbar, Teresa Fox and Eloise Berglund.

H O L Y



COMMUNION

Today is **Holy Communion Sunday**. If you are receiving **Holy Communion today**, please complete the **registration card** on the back of the bulletin and place on the **offering plate**. Thank you.



Please keep **Nancy Brown** in your prayers. She was at **Jefferson Hospital** for a hip replacement. She is now at home recuperating from her surgery.



If you have **favorite hymns** that you would like **Grace Shearer** to play at a **church service** , write the hymns on the form provided on the hall table and place in the office. **Thank you.**

JUST A REMINDER:

There will be a **Lenten Dinner** on **Wednesday, March 4th**, at **6:00 PM** sponsored by the **Deacons**. The dinner will consist of fried **chicken, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, green beans and rolls and drinks**. If a few people could bring a dessert, that would be appreciated. The cost is **\$8.00**. A sign-up form is enclosed in the bulletin. Please complete and place on the offering plate. The deadline is today, **March 1st**. **Thank you.**

SOUP AND SANDWICH:

PLEASE NOTE: Today is the delivery of the jars of soup. If you haven't paid, please see Diane McGreevy. The cost of a jar of soup is \$5.00. Thank you.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

There will be a **Lenten Series** every **Wednesday, during Lent** at **7:00 PM** in **Fellowship Hall**. Please join us during **Lent** and prepare yourself for **Good Friday and Easter**. Our speaker for the **Lenten Series** will be **Dr. Robert Walkup, Pastor**. **Cookies, coffee and tea** will be provided.

Dr. Bob will sponsor a **Roast Beef dinner** on **March 25, 2020**. The **Ladies Group** will sponsor a **lasagna dinner** with **salad** on **April 1, 2020**. **Registration forms** will be enclosed in the **upcoming bulletins**.

UPPER ROOM:

The **March/April 2020 Upper Room Magazines** are on the hall table. During the **Lenten Season**, it would be good to purchase a copy and read these daily devotions. The **Upper Room** observes the liturgical seasons both through meditations and through extra content..



We are now accepting donations for the Easter Flowers to help beautify the Church for Easter. For a donation of \$1.50 per name, we will list in a booklet on Easter Sunday your name and the name(s) of the person(s) you would like to remember or honor. This money will be used to purchase lilies for the Church on Easter Sunday.

If you would like to purchase a lily plant to be taken with you after the service on Easter, the price per plant is \$10.00. You may also leave the plant for a shut-in if you prefer.

PLEASE NOTE: If you purchase a plant at \$10.00, it is not necessary to add the \$1.50 charge to your order. Please fill in the form below and place it in the envelope with the money. You can place it in the offering plate or mail it to the Church office.

PLEASE NOTE: LILIES WILL BE ORDERED FROM TERRY'S FLORIST, CASTLE VILLAGE.

DEADLINE: March 29, 2020

2020 EASTER LILIES

I would like to purchase _____ lily plant(s).

_____ I will take the plant with me.

_____ I will leave the plant for a shut-in.

I would like to donate \$ _____ toward the lilies.

In Honor of:

In Memory of:

Your Name: _____

(As you wish it printed in the bulletin.)

WEDNESDAY LENTEN DINNER

Wednesday, March 4 2020

6:00 PM

CHICKEN DINNER



The dinner will consist of Fried Chicken, Macaroni and Cheese, Vegetable and Beverages. You do not have to bring your own place setting.

The cost of the dinner is **\$8.00**. Half price for children over 4 years of age.

The **Lenten** service will begin immediately after the dinner.

If you plan to attend the dinner, please detach on perforated line and complete the form below. Place it in the offering plate or return it to the Church Office by **March 1, 2020**.

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March 4, 2020- Chicken Dinner

Name: _____

Phone No. _____

Number of Adults Attending: _____

Number of Children Attending: _____

I will bring: _____ Dessert