## Celebration of Worship For the Lord's Day Third Sunday of Lent MARCH 3, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANCEL CHOIR

\*SONG OF PRAISE: #190: Are You Washed in the

*Blood?* (*verses* 1, 2, *and* 3)

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

P: slow to anger and abounding in love.

L: Tested by the devil in the wilderness, Jesus said:

P: You shall worship the Lord your God alone.

L: Come, let us worship God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed the world's rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the life you set among us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and hands to share it with all humanity in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ...(please continue to pray in silent, personal confession)

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: You are God's Beloved. You delight God's heart. Believe this good news, my friends! The Spirit of God rests upon us, anointing us with mercy and peace.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

DOXOLOGY #624

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #462: Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead

*Us (verses 1, 2, and 3)* 

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH

P: AND THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE.

OLD TESTAMENT READINGS: Psalm 23:5

L: This is the word of the Lord!

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "My Cup Overflows"

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts" and "debtors")

\*SENDING OUT SONG #CD: Shout to the Lord

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*Postlude

\*all who are able, please stand

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NEW PRAYER OF CONCERNS family of Nicolas DiFilippo,

PRAYERS OF CONCERNS: Dorcea Troup, Janelle, Janet Hallman, Esther Irvine, Jackie Blose Schrecengost, Hudson Overly, Larry Ferringer, Richard Barnett, Donna Detwiler, Randy Freehling, Bill Calhoun, Melissa Olinger, (McKenzie Buzzard, Garrett Askew, Alessia Park-Hedges, Andrew Jones, Scott Davis, Cameron and Leslie Neigh, Ron Boyer Jr.; and all our military) Our Rwanda Partner Church: Mucabira

Today is the third Sunday of Lent.

Daylight Savings Time begins next Sunday. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead on Saturday night.

The choir will practice on Wednesday at 7pm in the church.

A Lenten Bible Study/Prayer Group on Tuesday evenings @ 6:30 p.m. will continue on March 5<sup>th</sup>, March 12<sup>th</sup> and ending on March 19<sup>th</sup>. We are asking people to sign up ahead of time if they plan on attending any of the sessions. Please contact Pastor Sheila at <u>724-525-7470</u> if you plan to attend. This will help us with the planning.

Ministry Support Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:-00 p.m.

There will be a Spaghetti Dinner/Fundraiser Event for the Armstrong East Soccer Club here at the Academy on March 16<sup>th</sup> 12-3 p.m. Dine in or Take out that includes a salad, desert & drink for \$15. Presale tickets are available for the meal through paypal.com, but can also be purchased the day of the event. This is a FREE EVENT to attend, with tickets for purchase on many great Raffle Baskets, chances for 50/50, and a newly added Bake Sale!

There will be no Women's Association meeting in March but will begin on Thursday, April 4th at 1pm in the academy. Feel free to bring a friend and enjoy the time together. More info coming later this month.

By action of the Session, March 10th has been set for the annual Congregational Meeting/covered dish dinner following morning worship. S/ Joanne Colligan

We are in need of individually wrapped Small candies for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Please leave donations in the Narthex or the Academy basement before March 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Dayton Global Methodist are planning a bus trip to Lancaster to the Sights 'n Sounds Theater for the play, "Daniel" on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Irene Shulick at 724-783-6586 for more information.