# Morning Worship—March 24, 2019 3rd Sunday in Lent

Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. \*Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

"Prelude in G Minor" **PRELUDE** 

by J. S. Bach

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Seek the Eternal One who may be found. Call upon God while the Spirit is near.

People: We will forsake wicked ways and unrighteous thoughts. We will return to the

Eternal One, who will have mercy on us, and to our God, who will abundantly par-

don.

All: Let us Worship God!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 229

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, how exalted are your ways! Holy Savior, how sinless is your life! Holy Spirit, how pure is your nature! Whatever progress we have made along the road of righteousness we are far behind the advance of your Son Jesus. Continue to call us back when we go off on a tangent and recall us to the upward way, for we would more nearly follow Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, hear the Good News! God comes to free us from slavery to every passion.

People: God is faithful and will not let us be tested beyond our strength.

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News! People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

# \*GLORIA PATRI (579)

GREATOREX, 1851

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

# TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Tom Gillespie

(children exit for Sunday School)

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, You promised never to break Your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, may we hear Your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to Your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

(524/553)

Isaiah 55:1-9

ANTHEM

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

arr. K. Davis

**GOSPEL LESSON** 

(738/776)

Luke 13:1-9

**SERMON** 

"A Time to Dig"

Dr. John McDonald

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (See Apostles' Creed in Aids to Worship pew insert)

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 383

"My Faith Looks Up to There"

# PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (See pew insert)

#### **DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offering in Music

"The Heart of Worship"

arr. M. Haves OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Doxology 591

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

# \*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 280

"Amazing Grace"

(children return from Sunday School)

BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (insert)

"Sanctuary"

**POSTLUDE** 

"Toccata in e minor"

The flowers are given in loving memory of Ted Argyrakis by Pat and their children.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PASTORAL CONCERNS— Chlodine Bittner (J. Weller's grandmother), Amy Bracey, Lisa Brown, Will Brown, Charles Cuttle, Lib Cuttle, Matthew Dolianitis, Dianne East, Fred Gunn (W. Gunn's brother) Carolyn Herring, Martha Jo Hodges, Greg Howard, Bobby Hudson, Gail Jones, Laura Jones, Beth Landfair (John's mother), Bill Landfair (J. McDonald's step father), Dr. McDonald, Dana Overstreet (S. Mathena), Sali Parker (K. Dolianitis' sister-in-law), Meg Powell (B. Takata), Freel Shipe (J. McDonald's father-in-law), Ella Ryan, Jim Turner, Willem van der Griendt, Nultie Wiseman, Bill Wood, Ann Wood, (K. Dolianitis' cousins) The concerns of those who wish to remain unnamed.

ON THE MEND— James Gill Sr. & Jr., Mrs. Helen Harris (Kathleen Harris' mother), Kathleen Harris,

Dianne Hottenstein, (S. Mathena)

Our Service Personnel & First Responders.

The people of Togo.

Use the insert to order your Easter Lily in honor or in memory of that special someone. Forms must be turned in to the office by April 4th. Cost is \$15.00

Nultie Wiseman is at Roman Eagle, she has been so faithful in sending cards, lets send her a card! Her room number is 230 Garden Terrace, 2526 N. Main St., send her some love today!!

WNSupper & Lenten Bible Study will be Wednesday March 27th. We will have a soup, salad and dessert for \$5 per person/max \$15 per family. Please use the insert, sign up in Dunglinson-Roberts or call the church office. Team 1 is in charge.

#### SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School H. Beale

Combined Sunday School S. Weller/J. Stowe

Elders at Front Door
Security & Side Door
Visitation
Deacon to Receive Offering
Officers to Count Offering
Church School Superintendent
T. Barrett
B. Takata
J. Nostrandt
B. Meadema
Gail Davis

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Liturgist R. Beale
Time for Young Disciples T. Gillespie
Sound System C. B. Strange
Ushers Team 4

Flower Ministry Evening Circle

Childcare Specialists Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler

Saturday Lunch Ministry March 30th M. Bell/N. Bracey

Saturday Lunch Attendance 3/16 50



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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 24, 2019

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### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

MONDAY, March 25

6:00 p.m. Membership Comm.

TUESDAY, March 26

5:15 p.m. Hand Bells

WEDNESDAY, March 27

5:00 p.m. PNC

6:00 p.m. WNS, Lenten Bible Study

THURSDAY, March 28

5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, March 29

All Day Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, March 30

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study

11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

SUNDAY, March 31 Fifth Sunday Service

9:45 a.m. Sunday School:

See below for Class information

11:00 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS

Noon Fellowship

# Opportunities to Study the Word every Sunday Morning

Youth & Adult Sunday School 9:45 a.m.– 10:40 a.m.

Youth (middle & high school)  $Rm\ 112$  /discussion type class studying scripture lesson used in Sunday's sermon Bible Seekers/ $Rm\ 109$ / "Feasting on the Word" / discussion type class

Bible Study Fellowship/Library/ Ligonier Ministry's "Tabletalk Magazine" / discussion type class

Outlook/Rm 322/"The Present Word" / lecture type class

The Children's Extended Time (mid-worship 11:15-12:00) Deep Blue Cokesbury Curriculum

 $\mbox{K-2}\ /\mbox{Rm}\ 304/\mbox{various instructors}\mbox{Gr}\ \mbox{3-5}\mbox{/Rm}\ 306/\mbox{various instructors}$ 

We provide nursery care from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and Sunday School for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.