



MARCH 7, 2021 9:00 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Tune to 96.1 FM for the service

Rules: If you leave your car or have your windows down, you must have a mask on, and you must keep a 20ft. distance from any person you do not live with.

PRELUDE

GATHERING HYMN* *Morning Has Broken* No. 60

GREETINGS, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

All: Our lips sing praise and our whole selves rejoice in the God who makes us free. We gather, recognizing that not all human beings have known this freedom. The divine will was made known in Eden and in Egypt; in Gettysburg and in Cape Town. Born in freedom, redeemed from slavery, our destiny in Christ is liberty.

INVOCATION

*All who are comfortable, please stand.

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Office Hours: Tues. 1-6 p.m.

Wed 10 a.m. -12 p.m. & 5-7 p.m.

Thu 10 a.m. -12 p.m.

Other times available by appointment

Choir Director: Karen Barger Organist: Alex Ignatiou
Children's Sunday School: 4th – 7th Teacher: Brittany King
Young Learners: K – 3rd Teacher: Sarah Hogan
Nursery: Infant – Pre-K Teacher: Hayden Rauls

- Handicapped restrooms are on the main and lower levels.
 - Hearing assistance device is available at the sound system control table.
 - Nursery Child Care for infant to kindergarten is available on the upper level (UL). An usher will direct you to the location.
 - The Infant Comfort Room is located off the foyer for the convenience of worshippers with infants.
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Today's altar flowers are given by Byron & Anne Kulander in celebration of Chris Kulander's birthday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

March Meetings:

Every Tuesday, Social Hour via Zoom, 7:00 pm

March 24, Consistory, 7:00 pm

Thur., Mar. 11th; **Book Study via Zoom, 7:00pm**

We will have our last book study meeting on Thursday March 11th at 7PM over Zoom, and the information for the Zoom meeting will be sent out via the all church email list. The book we are reading is *Crazy Faith: Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives* by Susan K. Williams Smith. It is not as well-known of a book but there should be new paperback copies available on Amazon soon if you order now, and there are several cheap used copies for sale there currently. It is also available on Amazon Kindle; the ISBN number is (978-0817015312).

March 11th – Chapters 9-12, Conclusion

Sun., Mar. 14th; **OGHS Offering**

We will be taking up a special offering for “One Great Hour of Sharing” next Sunday. This is one of the 4 special offerings we take up for our denomination each year. This offering will go to helping those in need around the world, including programs in 138 different countries.

† Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession provided by the United Church of Christ’s Worship Ways publication

March 14, 2021

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 & Ephesians 2:1-10

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: **In this season of Lent we reflect on those things that lead us away from the life we desire. We focus on that which we do that oppresses and enslaves others who, like us, are created in the image of the divine. And now we seek the grace that frees us to live in faithfulness to holy love.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: The God of who brought the Israelites out of Egypt, is the power that frees us from our sin. Live in the grace of God’s love as you walk in the way of Jesus and surely you shall find mercy at the end of that road.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.**

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Joys and Concerns

People: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.

Silent Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (debts, debtors)

LESSONS

Psalm 19

OT pg. 605

John 2:13-22

NT pg. 126

SERMON

“Temptation”

COMMUNION

PARTING SONG*

Lord of Life

Lord of Life, Lord of Love, walk forever beside us.

Day by day show the way, be Thou our vision to guide us.

Striving to follow Thy noble plan, nothing can divide us. Lord of Life, Lord of Love, walk forever beside us.

BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE