

4th Sunday in Lent

March 6, 2016

## GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Gethsemane"

David Cherwien

Invocation

*\*Call To Worship*

Leader: Let us now return to God with open hearts.

**People: Lord, come to us; find us when we are lost.**

Leader: Let us now turn to each other with open eyes.

**People: Lord, make us new; help us to see as you see.**

Leader: Let us now go to the world with open arms.

**People: Lord, teach us your ministry of reconciliation.**

*Hymn:* #649 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)*

**God of mercy, you created with love. You will that we love. Yet, where you see promise, we see only flaws. Where you see a beloved child, we see only a problem. Where you tear down walls, we seek to build new ones. Come to us, Lord. Lift us up. Love us as we don't love ourselves. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "God So Loved the World" John Stainer

8:00 Organ 10:30 Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

(Following Children's Sermon, children leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

*First Scripture Reading:* 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 (p. 170)

*\*Hymn:* #22 "God of the Sparrow"

*Second Scripture Reading:* Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (p.73)

Sermon: **Parables of the Lost**

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*Affirmation of Faith – A Brief Statement of Faith (p. 37 sections 1,3,5,6)  
The Peace of Christ

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory "Come, Ye Disconsolate"

J. Bert Carlson

\*Doxology (page 606)

*\*Hymn:* #774 "There Is Now a New Creation"

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude "Chorale"

Heinrich Schutz

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

As you leave worship, greet all with the Peace of Christ

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of my daughter Beth  
Given by Shirley Musselman

VISITORS AND MEMBERS: WELCOME! During the offertory the Friendship Book will be passed from the end of the pew. Please sign it and indicate other information as appropriate. Pass the book back down the pew and notice the names of the other worshippers. Greet one another warmly after the service.

**WORSHIP HOUR INFORMATION:**

It is an ancient Scottish custom for the pulpit Bible to be brought into the sanctuary and placed by a layperson before the service begins.

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.)

8:00 – On call list 10:30 – Kelly & Mike Hartmann

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.) next Sunday, March 13

8:00 – On call list 10:30 – Sean Carney & Craig Keenan

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Fran Sattazahn

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TODAY**

8:00 a.m. Service of Worship  
10:30 a.m. Service of Worship  
Children (kindergarten thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade) leave for Sunday School following the Children's Sermon  
7:00 p.m. Youth Group

**MONDAY**

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry  
7:00 p.m. CCL  
7:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

**TUESDAY**

7:00 p.m. Christian Ed. Committee Meeting  
5:30 p.m. Lenten Meal & Study

**WEDNESDAY**

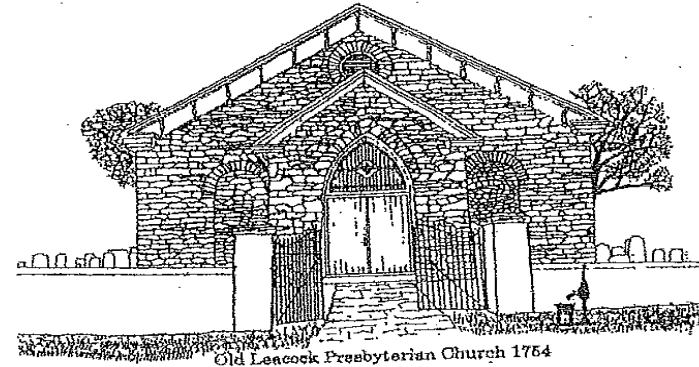
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY**

9:30 a.m. PW Bible Study at the home of Arelene Brackbill  
6:00 p.m. the Factory Meal

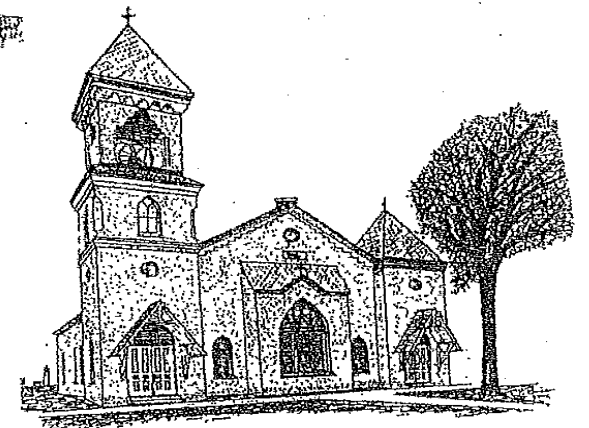
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## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Lent at Leacock**

Our Lenten Study is being held each Tuesday evening through March 15 at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall. We gather for a light meal of soup and bread followed by a consideration and discussion of “The Questions of Christ” led by our pastor, Bob Birch. If you cannot arrive by 5:30, please feel welcome to join us whenever you can.

**Soup needed for Lenten Study:** If you would be willing to provide 3 quarts of soup (homemade or purchased) for any of the Lenten Study meals, please sign up on the sheet provided in the Narthex.

For the next three weeks we will be collecting the *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering. Please find the envelopes in the church pews or in your envelope box. Let’s share with others what we have been so bountifully given.

**Worship times in March:** Don’t be taken by surprise! March 13<sup>th</sup> is the beginning of daylight savings time. Worship on *Palm Sunday* (3/20) and *Easter Sunday* (3/27) is combined at 9:30. Please save the lavender insert for the complete schedule of Holy Week services.

### MAKE A NECKLACE

Gretchen Hershey Shea will teach you how to make a beaded necklace on Saturday, April 2 at 2 p.m. The cost is \$15. This activity is being sponsored by the CCL Committee. Please call Margy Hershey (442-4078) or Jenny Keenen (471-1448) to register by March 25.

### ***Easter Plants***

You will find the order forms for Easter Plants in the Narthex. Deadline is Sunday, March, 13<sup>th</sup>. Please order yours early.