

First Sunday in Lent

March 6, 2022

Theme:

“Journeying On”

Jesus Returns to His Hometown Synagogue



“Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country.” Luke 4:14

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude:

“Be Thou My Vision”

Robert Lau

Invocation

*Call to Worship Psalm 36:5-9

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

*Hymn: #634 “To God Be the Glory” (see download)

Prayer of the Day: (unison)

O God, you spoke your word and revealed your good news in Jesus, the Christ. Fill all creation with that word again, so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations and singing of your glorious hope to all peoples, we may become one living body, your incarnate presence on the earth. Be the perfect

light of revelation that brings transformation not only to our own lives but to those around us. May the life of Jesus continue to show us how to live, what priorities to take on, and how best to use the gifts we have. Lead us to become beacons of truth and compassion, enlightening all creation with deeds of justice and mercy. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

***Response:** In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. (#654)

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Anthem:

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

Anna Laura Page

Children’s Sermon

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

*Hymn: #458 “The Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet” (see insert) (see download)

Scripture Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-10 and Luke 4:14-21

Sermon:

“What’s the Report Spreading On You?”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

* *Affirmation of Faith* Psalm 117

Praise the Lord all nations; praise the Lord all peoples

For God’s merciful kindness is great toward us

And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

People everywhere, praise the Lord!!

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Prayer of Thanksgiving – We Offer Ourselves Daily (unison)

Holy God, we ask that from age to age, new generations may be born to restore life and nourish the weak, by returning to you those things we once thought ours. So for now, allow us to be that generation as we offer our portions today. AMEN

The Peace of Christ

*Hymn: #310 "I love Thy Kingdom Lord" (see download)

*Charge and Benediction

Leader: "Go in peace, for the LORD is watching over your journey." Judges 18:6

People: And now may God be gracious to us, help and heal us. May God make the face of brightest glory shine upon us and grant us peace. AMEN

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "Were You There" Dick Torrans

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

**The Sanctuary Flowers are in Memory of
my daughter Beth and my husband Fred
Given by Shirley Musselman**

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

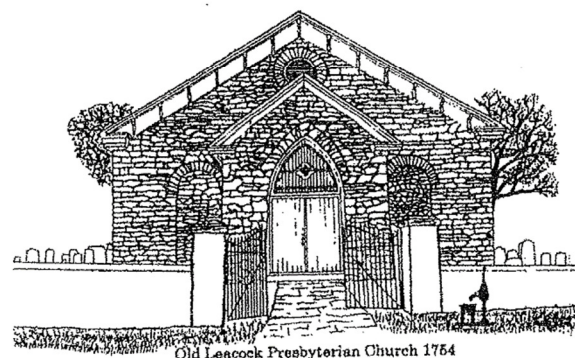
PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Michael, Kelly, Owen and Nora Hartmann

Call for the Annual Meeting

The Session of the Leacock Presbyterian Church calls for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation to be held Sunday, March 13, 2022, following the 9:30 a.m. service of worship. The purpose of the meeting is to review and receive the annual reports, elect two members from the congregation to the 2022 Nominating Committee, and conduct any other business brought before the body.

Leacock Presbyterian Church

*First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in
1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.*



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