

Jessica Fitterling and Kevin Klinkner extend to the congregation, an invitation to their wedding ceremony, Saturday, April 9, at 4:00 pm.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Beatrice Stauffer	Casey Coble	Mari Bleecher
Marian Zell	Judy & Claude Bakker	John Leid
People of Japan	Beverlea Manderbach	

Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 16. Donations of individually wrapped candies are needed and appreciated. A container for the candy has been placed outside the secretary's door.

### COMING EVENTS

Sun, Mar 27 – Young Adult Gathering – 6:30  
Tues, Mar 29 – Serving Homeless Dinner at 1<sup>st</sup> Reformed in Lancaster  
Thurs, Mar 31 – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00  
Sat, Apr 2 – Clean Up Day at the Church, anytime after 7:00 am  
Sun, Apr 3 – Children's Choir Practice – 9:00  
Tues, Apr 5 – Women's Devotion Group – 7:00  
Sun, Apr 10 – Children's Choir Practice – 9:00, Children's Choir sings  
Tues, Apr 12 – Spiritual and Church Council Meetings – 6:30 & 7:00  
Sat, Apr 16 – Altar Guild will be preparing the palms for Palm Sunday  
– 8:00 am

### LENTEN WEDNESDAY EVENING

#### COMMUNITY SERVICES – Evening Services at 7:30 pm

March 30 – St. John's United Church of Christ – Craig Snow  
April 6 – Swamp Christian Fellowship – Bill Hoch  
Apr 21 – Maundy Thursday – Communion Worship  
Apr 22 – Good Friday – Worship  
Apr 23 – Easter Vigil – 6 am – 12 midnight  
Apr 24 – Easter 7:00 & 10:30 Services – communion served at 10:30

Calling All Quilters – Quilters will be gathering on Thurs, Mar 31<sup>st</sup> at Peace Church to complete a quilt to benefit the Cocalico Senior Center. We will begin quilting at 8:00 and continue until finished. For information, please contact Mardel Lausch – 336-7030.

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# PEACE

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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*Denver, Pennsylvania*

*To all who are weary and need rest; to all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who pray and to all who do not but ought; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will come – this church opens wide the door and says in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
**WELCOME!***



Third Sunday of Lent  
March 27, 2011

**Thought Before Worship**  
**Jesus never taught his disciples to preach;**  
**He did teach them to pray.**

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader - Come, enter into God's holy presence.

**People - We come to worship, to bow down before the Lord our God.**

Leader - We come with thanksgiving; we come with songs in our hearts and on our lips, for the Lord is a great and gracious God!

**People - God is our creator – the highest mountains and the depths of the earth, the vast waters and the dry land were all God's idea.**

Leader - This is our God and we are God's people.

**People - We are called and chosen, fed and nurtured by the hand of God.**

Leader - Listen for the voice of God as we worship together in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

**\*HYMN "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah".....no. 608**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**+PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful Savior, we confess that what we proclaim and how we live are not always the same. We say that you are good and gracious, yet we are quick to blame you when discomfort, turmoil or crisis arise. We say that you love us, but we act as if your will for our lives cannot be trusted. We proclaim that we have been forgiven, but we continue to carry the baggage of our past mistakes with us. We profess that you are faithful, but we are filled with anxiety, worry and fear.**

**Faithful God, forgive us. Give us courage to look honestly at what we say and how we act, that we might understand what our lives truly say about you, about us and about our faith. May we be conformed that our actions truly reflect the grace you have lavished upon us, through the grace of Christ Jesus. AMEN.**

**+SILENT PRAYER**

*(please use this time to confess your personal sins)*

**+KYRIE**

**+ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, God's grace is from everlasting to everlasting and by the mercy of Christ Jesus all our sins are forgiven.

**People: We are forgiven and we are at peace! AMEN.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 142**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 17:1-7 pg. 56

CHOIR ANTHEM "More Like You, Lord"

GOSPEL READING John 4:7-26, 39-42 pg. 865

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

**\*THE CREED.....inside front cover of hymnal**

**\*HYMN "Near the Cross".....no. 254**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

**\*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 382**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**\*HYMN "Just As I Am, Without One Plea".....no. 417**

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE (those who are able please \*- stand, +-kneel)

Church website.....[www.peaceunitedchurch.org](http://www.peaceunitedchurch.org)

Pastor ([pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org](mailto:pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org)).... William E. Hoch (335.0387)

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Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Student Pastor.....Mrs. Selina Hamilton

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Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Edie Graff and Dixie Schweitzer

Acolyte.....Josh High

Greeters.....Erla and Lori Hartranft

Head Usher.....Jill Kegerise

Attendance for Mar 13.....178

Offering for Mar 13.....\$4,497.75

Month to Date Offering.....\$7,664.75

Amount needed each month to meet budget.....\$15,284.00

Altar Flowers are given in celebration of the 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary of Robert and Hazel Fichthorn.

Items for the Peace Pantry in March – Jelly. Looking ahead to April, it will be rice, canned potatoes and crackers.