

Jesus says, “repent and believe.” What are we to repent? Our indifference; our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? That Jesus is Son of God and Savior!

**Red Hymnal**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PRELUDE “Sanctus” *piano & organ*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We gather as God's people in a world divided and distressed.

**People: We gather as one people, united by God.**

Leader: We gather as God's people, journeying to Jerusalem.

**People: We gather as one people, steadfastly traveling forward together.**

Leader: We gather as God's people, frightened by whirlpools of worry which spin us out of control.

**All: We gather as one people following in the unfailing steps of Jesus the Christ, whose name we praise together. AMEN.**

**\*HYMN “God Himself is With Us”.....no. 282**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**+PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, you have surrounded us with abundant goodness and have invited us to partake. Rather than respond with gratitude, we long for that which we do not have. We compare ourselves to others and want more, different, newer and shinier. We fail to discipline our desires and instead glorify and indulge them. We want maturity without growing pains, character without effort, courage without testing and wisdom without difficulty.

Lord, forgive us. Grant us instead a longing for your presence and a burning passion for your truth. Above all else help us to know your heart, to delight in your presence and to desire your ways and thoughts which are higher than our own. AMEN

**+SILENT PRAYER** *(please use this time to confess your own personal sin)*

**+KYRIE**

**+ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: God's mercy is from everlasting to everlasting. Believe the good news we have in Jesus Christ: our sins are forgiven and we are made new

**People: Our sins are forgiven and we are free to live in the light and love of God! AMEN.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 338**

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 12:9-21 pg. 923

CHOIR ANTHEM “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 2:1-9 pg. 813

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

**\*THE CREED.....page 23 of hymnal**

**\*HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together”.....no. 210**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY “O Master Let Me Walk With Thee”

**\*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 356**

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

**\*COMMUNION LITURGY.....pg. 27-29**

**Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabbaoth;**

*Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of your glory.*

*Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest!*

*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of The Lord,*

*Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest!*

**\*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**\*HYMN “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”.....no. 241**

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

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

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Greeters.....Deb Hedrick

Head Usher.....John Haldeman

The altar flowers are given in memory of William Coventry by his wife Linda Coventry and in memory of “Wally” Binns by his wife Alice Binns.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Jeff Moyer

Pat Hall

Royce McCrabb

Jeff Getz

Allen Miller

Jim Sell

Isabella Dale

Kiba

Amy

If you have keys to the church that you do not need, please turn them in to John Haldeman. Also please inform John if you have a set of keys that you are using so that we may have an accurate record.

February and March the Peace Pantry will be collecting WHITE socks for Homeless Veterans.

### COMING EVENTS

Sunday, February 22<sup>th</sup> – Faith Exploration, Turning the Tide – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, February 24<sup>th</sup> – No Bible Study

Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> – Benevolence Committee – 6:00 pm

Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup> – Community Dinner

Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Health and Welfare meeting – 6:30 pm

If you have not picked up your 2015 envelopes, please do so today, if you see those that belong to family or friend, please take and deliver.

We will once again be hosting our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 am. All children are welcome. If you would like to donate a bag of individually wrapped candy, there is a basket in the Narthex. Thank you for your support.

We are in the last quarter of our **Secure the Future Campaign**. If you have questions about your standing please speak to John Haldeman.

### LENT

Lenten Community Worship Services begin at 7:30.

February 25<sup>th</sup> – Trinity United Methodist – Main Street Denver

March 4<sup>th</sup> – St. John's United Church of Christ – 4<sup>th</sup> St Denver

March 11<sup>th</sup> – Swamp Christian Fellowship

March 18<sup>th</sup> – Gehman's Mennonite Church

March 25<sup>th</sup> – Emmanuel E.C. Church, Adamstown

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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!*



February 22, 2015  
First Sunday of Lent