

Thought Before Worship

May we see the season of Lent as a time of Spiritual Renewal, rather than a time of deprivation. May we discover a new level of experiencing God's grace.

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lent calls us to journey along the edge, to anticipate that final trip to Jerusalem.

People: Lent calls us to the cutting edge, when the wheat falls to the ground and new life comes forth; a new covenant.

Leader: Lent calls to take upon ourselves as a community the intention of true participation in the mystery of God-with-us.

People: Lent calls us to corporate penitence, accountability and preparation.

Leader: Lent calls us to concentrate upon our baptism that we might be a sign of God's new creation.

People: Lent calls us to face the darkness without holding a flashlight.

Leader: Lent calls us to worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

*HYMN "Teach Me Your Way, O Lord".....no. 472

*CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you know that we have sinned. You know that we have hurt each other, been unkind, and thought only of ourselves. You have given us such grace and mercy; help us to extend the same to others. Free us from holding grudges, from gossip, from passing judgment. Let us never pour shame upon another, but instead love and peace. Help us walk with each other towards forgiveness and restoration. We thank you for all the blessings that you will bring to our relationships because we have sought your healing. AMEN.

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

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: By the grace of Christ we are forgiven and set free from all that would separate us from the Love of God in Christ.

People: We are set free to live as the people of God! AMEN.

*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 142

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 31:31-37 pg. 642

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Lift High The Cross"*

GOSPEL LESSON John 12:20-26 pg. 875

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

BELL CHOIR *"Lead Me to Calvary"*

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

*HYMN "The Old Rugged Cross".....no. 256

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *"Hymn of Worship"*

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

*HYMN "The Solid Rock".....no. 92

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

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

Church website.....www.peaceunitedchurch.org

Pastor (pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org) William Hoch (335.0387)

Organist.....Mrs. Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Secretary (secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org).....Mrs. Beverly Madara

Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

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

Greeters.....Dixie Schweitzer and Lori Ream

Head Usher.....Bobbie Porter-Kunkel

The altar flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Robert Fichthorn.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Betty Kring

Pat Hall

Alice Fasnacht

Kim & Jim Steele

Dana Keckler

On Saturday, April 11th there will be a work party at the church to polish all the woodwork. Please sign up on the secretary's window. We will begin at 8 am, if you cannot be here at 8, come when you are able.

We need a new member for the Benevolence Committee, please speak with Heidi McDonough.

Easter lilies can be ordered today and next Sunday, before and after worship. The cost is \$7.50 for a 5-6 bloom plant.

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 22nd – Faith/Future Exploration – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, March 24th – Bible Study – 1:00 pm

Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 28th - Altar Guild will prepare the palms – 8:30 am

Monday, March 30th – Bell Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

Tuesday, April 7th – Health and Welfare – 6:30 pm

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 pm.
March 25th – Emmanuel E.C. Church – Main Street Adamstown

HOLY WEEK

Saturday, March 28th – Easter Egg Hunt – 10:00 am – candy donations can be left in the basket by the Secretary's window.

April 2nd – Maundy Thursday Worship – 7:30 pm

April 3rd – Good Friday Worship – 7:30 pm

April 4th – Easter Vigil – 6 am - 12 midnight – sign up at Secretary's window.

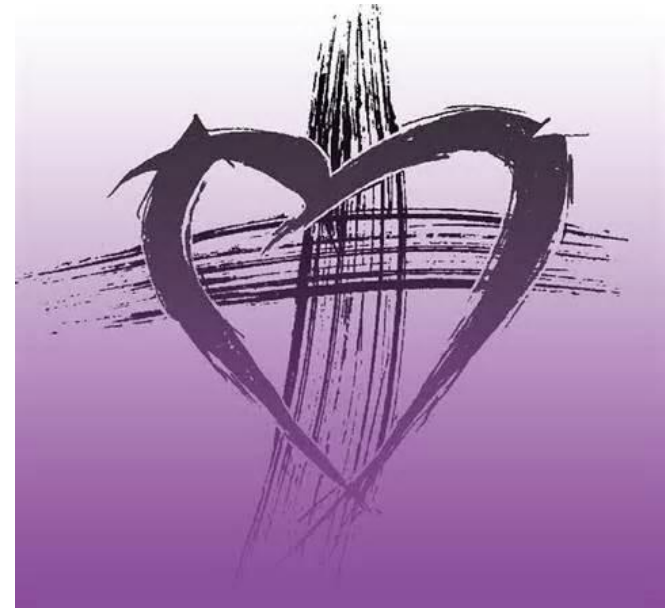
Easter Morning Worship – 7:00 am, 10:30 am and 10:45 am.

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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!*



March 22, 2015
Fifth Sunday of Lent