

The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist.

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**Gold Hymnal**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“Calvary Medley”*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these?

**People: The Lord, our God, maker of heaven and earth. God brings out the starry host one by one and calls them all by name.**

Leader: Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

**People: God does not grow faint or weary. God’s understanding is unsearchable.**

Leader: God gives strength to the weary that we might rise up on wings like eagles. Let us rejoice and give thanks. **AMEN.**

**\*HYMN “Rejoice the Lord is King” .....no. 374**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**+PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful Savior, we have been a wayward people. We wandered away from you, becoming exiles, and you rescued us and carried us home. We have been sick, broken and needy, and you healed and restored us. We were dead in our sin, and you gave us life.**

**We deserve none of this. Yet, your love is so deep, your mercy so wide, your embrace so all-enfolding that you have done for us what we could never do for ourselves. You have made us your own. You have forgiven us. And we, we receive this gift with gratitude, joy and awe. AMEN.**

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

**+KYRIE**

**+ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: We may cry out to God in our sin. But it is God who first gives us, this day, this moment grace – mercy and forgiveness.

**People: We were lost, now we are found. We were burdened by sin, but by grace the burden is lifted. AMEN.**

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

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

PSALM Psalm 121 pg. 498

CHOIR ANTHEM *“God So Loved the World”*

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 15:1-6 pg. 10

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

**\*HYMN “In the Cross of Christ I Glory” .....no. 251**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *“What Wondrous Love Is This”*

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

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

**\*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**\*HYMN “My Faith Looks Up To Thee” .....no. 84**

Let There Be Peace on Earth no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

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

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The altar flowers are given in memory of Jerry Englert by his wife Ann Englert and family.

We will be serving the Community Meal this Thursday at Trinity Methodist. We are asking for donations of cupcakes a sign-up is on the office window.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Doris Fultz      Mel Gerhart      Lucas Thomas      David Erb  
Annabelle Scofield      Wally Besh      Andrew Schucraft

#### COMING EVENTS

Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> – Faith Exploration – 6:30 pm  
Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> – Bell Choir – 7:00 pm  
Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Bible Study – 1:00 pm  
Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm  
Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> – Youth will serve lunch  
Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> – Health and Welfare Committee – 6:30 pm  
Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> – Benevolence Committee – 6:00 pm

For my Girl Scout Gold Award, I am making pillowcases and doing other small activities to bring happiness and joy to the children and their siblings at A.I. duPont Hospital for Children. You can help me out by making pillowcases - from scratch or from a kit I can provide, donating supplies for pillowcases - fabric, thread, sewing machine use, setting up a group session for your troop/group or attending one of the planned sessions. If you have other ideas or questions please contact me at [allysonebutz@gmail.com](mailto:allysonebutz@gmail.com) or [\(717\)-484-0817](tel:717-484-0817). Thank you everyone for your support and help!!

<https://sites.google.com/site/allysonsgoldaward/home>      Allyson Butz

#### LENTEN SERIES – all services begin at 7:30

##### The Stations of the Cross

February 24<sup>th</sup> — Gehman's Mennonite Church, Witmer Road,  
Jeff Hain - preaching  
March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Swamp Christian Fellowship, Swamp Church Road,  
Reinholds - Bill Hoch – preaching  
March 9<sup>th</sup> – St. John's United Church of Christ, S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street Denver  
Phil Horning – preaching  
March 16<sup>th</sup> – Emmanuel Evang. Cong. Church, Main Street Adamstown  
Mike Roney – preaching  
March 24<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday & March 25<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday – 7:30 pm

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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 21, 2016  
Second Sunday of Lent