

“Repent and believe,” Jesus tells us. What are we to repent?
Our indifference, our hardness of heart.

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“Come Unto Him”*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Even though we falter, we gather as a community of faith!

People: It is easy to do the right thing, sometimes. Sometimes I don't know what the right thing is.

Leader: So we gather here as a community of believers seeking the strength and courage to live out our faith!

People: Here we listen for the voice of God. In this place, the Spirit speaks and we hear you.

Leader: Let us lift up our hearts and our voices as we offer to God our thanks and praise! **AMEN.**

***HYMN “The God of Abraham Praise”no. 332**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we bow before you. We confess our hurry, our busyness, our rushing about. We fight against stillness, against quiet, against waiting. In this day and age, waiting is an inconvenience and stirs frustration within us. You, call us to wait on you – to be still, to listen, to quiet ourselves, to wait. It is in those moments when we sit in waiting that we are able to hear you, to feel you, to experience your grace. Slow us down, O God. Forgive our panicked pace. In the stillness help us to hear and respond to your call and put your grace into practice. AMEN.

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

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God hears our cries, forgives our sin and restores us to life!

People: In the stillness of this moment we receive grace. AMEN.

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

BELL CHOIR *“Near The Cross”*

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 55:1-9 pg. 598

CHOIR ANTHEM *“We Will Keep Our Faith Alive”*

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 13:1-9 pg. 848

MESSAGE Gabrielle Kennedy

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

***HYMN “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”no. 258**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *“Elegy”*

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

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

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”no. 253**

Let There Be Peace on Earth no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

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

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

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

Student Pastor.....Gabrielle Kennedy

Organist.....Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Lois Haldeman

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

Treasurer.....Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Lillian Messner and Nancy Reese

Greeters.....Keith and Barb Hoffert

Head Usher.....Vickie Schweitzer

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

Doris Fultz Mel Gerhart Lucas Thomas

David Erb Braydon Getz Wally Besh

Andrew Schucraft Judy Kostick

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, February 28th – Youth will serve lunch

Tuesday, March 1st – No Bible Study

Health and Welfare Committee – 6:30 pm

Thursday, March 3rd – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

Monday, March 7th – Benevolence Committee – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, March 8th – Spiritual Council – 6:30 pm

Church Council – 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 12th – Youth Making Peanut Butter Eggs – 9:00 am

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 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

March 2nd – Swamp Christian Fellowship, Swamp Church Road,
Reinholds - Bill Hoch – preaching

March 9th – St. John's United Church of Christ, S. 4th Street Denver
Phil Horning – preaching

March 16th – Emmanuel Evang. Cong. Church, Main Street Adamstown
Mike Roney – preaching

March 24th – Maundy Thursday & March 25th – Good Friday – 7:30 pm

PEACE

United Church of Christ

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 28, 2016
Third Sunday of Lent