

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.

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: There are so many things and people competing for our loyalty and devotion.

People: Help us to trust in God and God alone!

Leader: We stand in awe of the rich, the powerful and the famous.

People: Help us to trust in God and God alone!

Leader: Know that we were made to worship God alone!

People: Help us to trust in God and God alone!

Leader: Let us give thanks as we worship the God of Grace, the God of all creation! **AMEN.**

***HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”no. 318**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Though we run far from you, though we take everything for granted and dismiss your grace, you never leave us or forsake us, O God. We confess our tendencies to wander and to forget that all good things come from you. We become self-absorbed and fail to see or sense you near to us.

Open our eyes to your presence. Free us from the desire to take life into our own hands. Forgive us that we might choose to follow you and you alone. AMEN.

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

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Each day is a gift of God. By God’s grace everything old, everything past is washed away and we are made new.

People: May our eyes be open to the beauty of God’s grace. AMEN.

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

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 pg. 940

CHOIR ANTHEM *“We Need You Lord”*

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 15:11-24 pg. 850

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

***HYMN “Near the Cross”no. 254**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *“Were You There”*

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

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

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN “Lead On, O King Eternal”no. 595**

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.....Edie Graff and Dixie Schweitzer

Greeters.....Ray and Bobbie Kunkel

Head Usher.....Jeff Moyer

The altar flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Mrs. Richard L. Fisher.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Doris Fultz Lucas Thomas David Erb Wally Besh

Judy Kostick Carol Sanders Larry Amanda

Pastor Paul Wilman Andrew Schucraft

Please Sign Up to participate in our Easter Vigil. Take 30 minute on Saturday, March 26, anytime between 6am and midnight to reflect on the grace and goodness of our God.

COMING EVENTS

Monday, March 7th – **NO** Benevolence Committee

Tuesday, March 8th – Bible Study – 1 pm

Spiritual Council – 6:30 pm

Church Council – 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 10th – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 pm

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

Saturday, March 19th – EASTER EGG HUNT – 10:00 am

Please invite neighbors, friends, extended family for a fun filled morning!

Wednesday, March 30th – Lifeline Screening

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 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 – 7:30 pm

March 25th – Good Friday – 7:30 pm

EASTER MORNING Services will be offered at – 7:00am, 8:30am and 10:30am. Join us as we celebrate the Resurrection Morning!

Maxine Burky has been added to our SCC list but was not included on our last Birthday list. Her birthday is March 20, we invite you to place a card for her in the Birthday Card box, it will be delivered for you. Thanks.

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!*



March 6, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Lent