

I do not at all understand the mystery of grace - only that it meets us where we are but does not leave us where it found us.

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

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

People: Yet we gather as one people, united by God.

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

People: Yet 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: Yet we gather as one people following in the unfailing steps of Jesus our Savior. AMEN.

***HYMN "The Church's one Foundation".....no. 547**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, forgive us when we stray from your path and fall to the temptations before us. Forgive us for failing to see every person as one of your beloved children. Forgive us when we fail to share from the abundance of your blessings allowing others to go hungry or have no place to rest. Forgive us when we hold onto our anger and hurts, failing to forgive as you have forgiven us. Forgive us when we forget to live our lives in a way that shows that you are our God and we are your people. Merciful God, forgive us and help us to know and live your ways. AMEN

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

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Take heart, God's grace is ours and God loves and forgives us – no matter what!

People: We give thanks for the forgiveness and new life given in Christ our Lord. AMEN.

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

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON Romans 5:1-11 pg. 917

CHOIR ANTHEM *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*

GOSPEL LESSON John 4:1-18 pg. 864

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

***HYMN "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross".....no. 258**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *"The Lily of the Valley"*

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

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

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***HYMN "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing".....no. 349**

Let There Be Peace on Earth Gold Hymnal no. 681

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE *"Toccata"*

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

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Greeters.....Vicki Wissinger and David Dowhower

Head Usher.....Amy Miller

The Altar flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Betty Leisey.

The Peace Pantry will be collecting school supplies for the Children's Ministry Lenten Project.

Buckets in the Narthex are for a freewill offering to defray the cost of painting our outside sign. Thanks for your support.

PRAYER REQUESTS

While we pray for those whose needs we know, let us also pray for those whose need remain silent.

Doris Fultz	Bob Welliver	Kathy Schlegel
Sheree Wolf	Kevin Chandler	Linda Coventry
Christian Gress	Joe Zucofski	Evelyn Kegerise
Pauline and Randy Firestone		

Adult Ministry will be hosting a Trivia Night on Sunday, March 26th beginning at 5:00 pm. For more information, please speak with Pat Acebo.

The Peace Church Choir will be singing at the Barnstormers Baseball game on Saturday, June 17th. Game time is 6:30 pm. For more information see John Haldeman or Pat Acebo.

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 21st – Bible Study – 1:00 pm
Tuesday, March 21st – Marketing Meeting – 7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 28th – Children’s Ministry – 7:00 pm

LENTEN SERVICES - Services begin at 7:30 pm.

March 22nd – at Swamp Christian Fellowship - Phil Horning
March 29th – at Gehman’s Mennonite Church - Jeff Hain
April 5th – at Emmanuel Evang. Cong. Church - Bill Hoch

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday, April 13th – 7:30 Communion Service
Good Friday, April 14th Passion Narrative – 7:30 pm
Saturday Easter Vigil April 15th – 6am – midnight

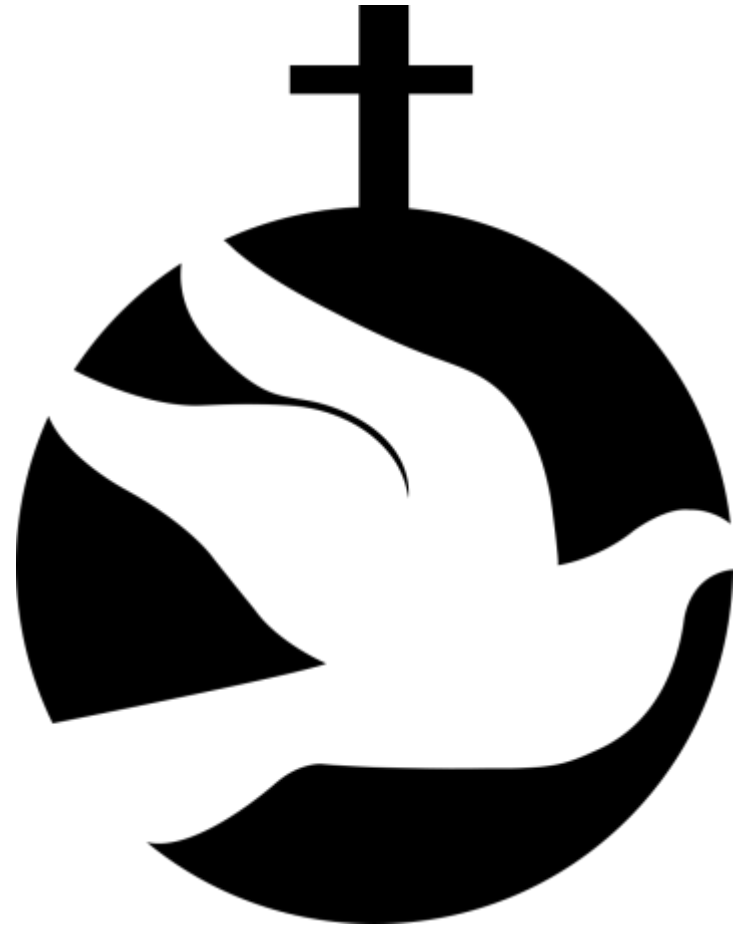
EASTER MORNING - 7:00, 8:30 & 10:30 am.

Mrs. Sands is looking for brass players for Easter morning. Please talk to her to sign up. Thanks!

We are collecting individually wrapped candy to be placed in plastic eggs and used for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please place all donations in the basket at the office window.

EASTER LILIES can be ordered before and after worship on March 26th, April 2nd and 9th.

Peace United Church of Christ



March 19, 2017
Third Sunday of Lent