

1st Sunday in Lent

February 17, 2013

GATHERING

Prelude: “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

Emma Lou Deimer

Invocation

Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Though we may feel too small, we were born for a purpose.

People: Let us do the work God has appointed for us.

Leader: And in all we do, let us seek to love.

People: For before all else, the greatest gift is love.

Leader: Let us love even if to love comes with a cost.

People: For the way of love is the way of the Lord.

*Hymn: #81 “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”

(sing to the tune of “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”)

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious God, you give us many gifts. But the greatest gift is love. And you created us, you call us, to love all our neighbors, even those who are different, even those who have hurt us. But too often we put aside love; we postpone love for another time, while we seek our priorities and not the Lord’s. Love us, still, dear God, even when we don’t love. Soften our hearts. Make us strong to do your work of love. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Anthem: “Be Thou My Vision”

Hal Hopson

Bell Choir

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

First Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 1:4-10 (p. 656); 1 Cor. 13:1-13 (p. 164)

*Hymn: #335 “Though I May Speak”

Children’s Sermon

Children may leave for God’s Place for Boys and Girls

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 4:21-30 (p. 57)

Sermon: **A LABOR OF LOVE**

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

Passing the Peace of Christ

*Apostles Creed (p. 14)(Ecumenical Version)

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: “The Gift of Love”

arr. John Carter

*Doxology (p. 592)

*Hymn: #522 “Lord, When I Came Into This Life”

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: “Savior When in Dust to Thee”

Robert Lau

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

VISITORS AND MEMBERS: WELCOME! During the offertory the Friendship Book will be passed from the end of the pew. Please sign it and indicate other information as appropriate. Pass the book back down the pew and notice the names of the other worshippers. Greet one another warmly after the service.

WORSHIP HOUR INFORMATION:

It is an ancient Scottish custom for the pulpit Bible to be brought into the sanctuary and placed by a layperson before the service begins.

8:00 a.m. Tom Burkins

10:30 a.m. Edwin Margerum

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.): 8:00 – Deb Sindall
10:30 – Deb Beane & Lois Snader

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of
Timothy Sowers, son of David & Karen Sowers
Grandson of Gene & Betty Sowers

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Barry & Lee Nettke Martin
266 Little Creek Road
Lancaster, PA 17601-5514

TODAY:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults
11:30 a.m. 3rd Sunday Singles Group
5:00 p.m. Caring Family Night

MONDAY:

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
1:00 p.m. Enfield Dr. Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting

TUESDAY:

7:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 a.m. Centering Prayer
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY:

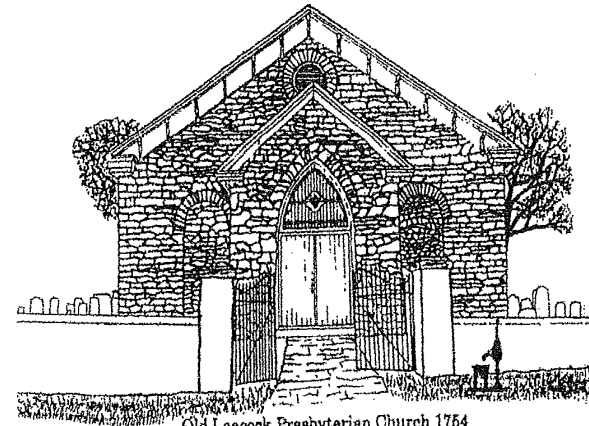
6:00 p.m. Lenten Study
7:30 p.m. Session Meeting

FRIDAY:

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DUE

Leacock Presbyterian Church

*First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in
1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.*



Old Leacock Presbyterian Church 1754



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NEXT SUNDAY: COMMUNION

9:30 a.m. Service of Worship

IN THE NURSERY: 9:30 – Darwin & Linda Erikson

10:30 a.m. Annual Meeting with Luncheon to follow

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$4,296.70

Total in Organ Fund is \$67,780.14

The Session calls for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation Sunday, February 24 immediately following the 9:30 a.m. service of worship. This meeting is called for the purpose of examining and approving the Annual Reports for 2012 and conducting any other business that is brought before the congregation.

The per capita is \$28.90 per member. Please use the envelope found in the beginning of your envelope box. This pays the overhead of our General Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery offices.

Trustee Special Offering: February's Special Offering will go to a new roof for the Manse. Quotes are coming in to complete this necessary work and plans are to move forward when funds are raised. This is a huge undertaking and your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you from all the Trustee members

LENTEN STUDY—*The Lord's Prayer*

In worship today, we will have said together the Lord's Prayer. But how often do we say these well known words without really considering all they mean?

This Thursday at 6:00 p.m. we will begin our annual Lenten Study with a light meal. Then, together we will examine what is prayer in general and specifically the prayer Jesus taught us to pray. We hope you will join us for food and study.

VISIT FROM JIM AND JOAN FARR

Mark your calendars! Next week, February 24th, the FARRs will be joining us for worship. Most of the year they work for Wycliffe Bible Translators, bringing God's word to the people of Papua New Guinea. It is therefore a special opportunity to have them with us. During worship, they will talk about their mission. Later, you can meet them at the meal after the Annual Meeting.

The Community Meal will be Thursday, Feb. 28th. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m. Sign-up sheets for helping with the meal are in the Narthrex.

Thank you.

Mission Committee

Copies of the Annual Report can be picked up at the back of the sanctuary.