1st Sunday in Lent

March 9, 2014

# GATHERING

Prelude: "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

Lynn Petersen

Invocation

\*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord offers us freedom, a freedom for life.

**People:** Let us choose the way of the Lord.

Leader: Through Christ, we are given a free gift of grace.

People: On our knees, let us receive this great gift.

Leader: Jesus knew God alone is to be served.

**People:** Let us worship only the Lord.

\*Hymn: #77 "Forty Days and Forty Nights"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, in the prayer Jesus taught, we ask not to be led into temptation, not to be put to the test. Yet human life has its tests; mortal life has its trials. And sometimes we fail, oh Lord. We feed our bodies, while we starve our souls. We demand that God prove God's love rather than accept that love. We choose the shiny things that do not last and turn away from the treasures of heaven. Lord, have mercy on us. Heal us; help us to be strong for the tests to come. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon \*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: 10:30 – "Will You Come and Follow Me?"

John Bell

Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Readings: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7(p 2); Romans 5:12-19 (p 145)

\*Hymn: **#283** "God Marked a Line and Told the Sea" (to the tune of #370)

Children's Sermon

Children may leave for God's Place for Boys and Girls (10:30 a.m. service) Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 4:1-11 (p 3)

Sermon:

THREE TESTS

# RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "These Forty Days"

Robert Powell

\*Doxology (p. 592)

\*Hymn: "Just a Closer Walk with Thee," pg. 22, Leacock Sings

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

arr. Robert Lau

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand As you leave worship, greet all with the Peace of Christ

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. Janet Huffman

10:30 a.m. Edwin Margerum

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.): 8:00 – Scott Shenk 10:30 – Donald & Christy Fieldsa

The Sanctuary Flowers are to thank the wonderful Decorating Committee. Karen Shue and Lois Snader put many, many hours into making our church look so beautiful. So if you wonder who changes the color of the Parament on the Pulpit – it is them, Christmas tree – them, Crosses in the windowsills – them, flowers in the Narthex – them, and lets not forget wreathes at Old Leacock; the list just goes on and on. THANK YOU Karen and Lois for such a wonderful job.

#### PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Lucy Ames

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#### **TODAY: Daylight Savings Time**

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults

#### **TUESDAY:**

6:00 p.m. Lenten Study 7:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

#### **WEDNESDAY**:

7:30 a.m. Centering Prayer

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### **THURSDAY**:

9:30 a.m. PW Bible Study @ the home of Betty Sowers 6:00 p.m. The Factory Meal

### **SATURDAY**:

9:30 a.m. Presbytery Meeting – Lancaster Theological Seminary

# Leacock Presbyterían Church

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



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#### **NEXT SUNDAY**:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults IN THE NURSERY: 8:00 – Janet Huffman 10:30 – Michele & Sara Lichty

#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Last week's offering total was \$4,239.00

**Today is Girl Scout recognition**. Girl Scouts of America was founded on March 12, 1912. The Scout Sunday tradition began in the 1940s to make people in houses of worship more aware of scouting and to give scouts a chance to live out their pledge which included "Duty to God."

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING** offering runs through Lent. Envelopes are available in the pews. Please prayerfully consider giving to this special fund for people in need.

**Presbyterian Women** will be collecting used clothing, *still in nice, clean shape*, for the Lancaster County Council of Churches Clothing Bank. Please put your donations in the Narthex March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support.

**Free copies** of the Presbyterians Today magazine can be picked up in the back of the sanctuary.