

4th Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2014

Second Scripture Reading: John 9:1-41(p 96)

Sermon: **DARKNESS AND LIGHT**

GATHERING

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prelude: "Depth of Mercy"
Invocation

Raymond Haan

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is calling us, calling us to wake.

People: Lord, shine your light upon us.

Leader: The Lord has come to give eyesight to the blind.

People: Lord, open our eyes to the truth.

Leader: The Lord does not see as mortals see.

People: Lord, help us to look past the surface to the heart.

*Hymn: #339 "Be Thou My Vision"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of mercy, you are light; you are love. Our Lord Jesus Christ is the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. But we try. We turn away from the light, Lord. Driven by fear and anger, we hurt and hate. Where we should love, we judge. Where we should forgive, we condemn. Then, we are blind. Then, we bring darkness to your light. Forgive us, Lord. Shine your light upon us once more. Dispel our darkness. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Readings: 1 Samuel 16:1-13(p 248); Ephesians 5:8-14(p 183)

*Hymn: #384 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

Children's Sermon

Children may leave for God's Place for Kids (10:30 a.m. service)

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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "Alas and Did My Savior Bleed"

Robert Lau

*Doxology (p. 592)

*Hymn: #280 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: March on "Martrydom"

Gordon Young

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 – Taryn Shenk

10:30 – Charlene Boas & Lea Lichty

The Rose is in Celebration of the Birth of
William David, son of David & Bethany Yuninger.
Granddaughter to Dianne & Harold Yuninger
William was born on March 25, 2015, 9lb 1oz.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Charles III & Kathy Ankney
Kristen
29 Quarry Road
Quarryville, PA 17566

TODAY:

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

WEDNESDAY:

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

THURSDAY:

7:00 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting

SATURDAY:

8:00 a.m. Work Day

NEXT SUNDAY:

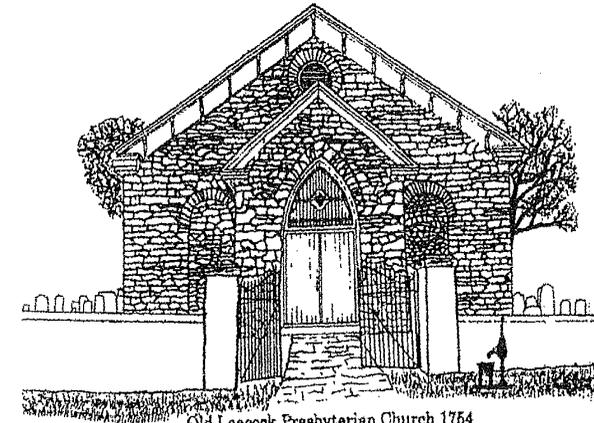
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9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults
 IN THE NURSERY: 8:00 – Loretta McClarigan
 10:30 – Alba & Valerie Ruhl
7:00 p.m. Youth Group

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$3,471.46

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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



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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.

Saturday, April 5 is work day. There are a lot of things that need attention and some TLC. There is something for everyone to do. *Please* plan on coming out and helping, it is a great time to fellowship.

New office hours – We are TRYING something new. Instead of Rev. Birch having off on Monday and the office being closed, he will be in the office from 3:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Michele will still be in the office Tuesday through Friday 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The idea is to have the office open for more hours, five days a week. Let us know what you think. With this change also comes the change of the day the bulletin will be done. Please have any bulletin information to the office by Wednesday morning.

Lenten Gatherings! This year, there are two opportunities to reflect during this season of Lent. Here at Leacock, on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. we are gathering for a meal, fellowship, and reflections on the place of meals in the ministry of Jesus. At noon on Wednesday, the Strasburg Ministerium is offering a meal and worship service at First Presbyterian Church. Please consider coming to one, or better both, in this time of preparation.

The March issue of the **LEACOCK COMMUNICATOR** is available free at the back of the sanctuary for anyone not on our mailing list.

Please Help!! The church is trying to go “*Green.*” We do realize that some people do not have computer and believe us, no one will be left out. For those of you that have email addresses and do not mind receiving notifications by email, could you please email the church at leacock.secretary@gmail.com (please take notice there is a period after leacock) and in the subject line just put your name so the address can be put with a name. Thank you for helping us.