

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2015

*GATHERING*

Prelude: "Blessed Jesus"

Gabriel Faure'

Invocation

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us listen to the words of creation.

**People: For there we will hear of the glory of God.**

Leader: Let us listen to the words of Scripture.

**People: For there we will learn the will of the Lord.**

Leader: Let us listen to the word of the cross.

**People: For there we will find the love of God in Christ Jesus.**

\*Hymn: #14 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Merciful God, there is beauty in your world. For you created it according to your law, a law of love. And when we broke it, you willed to mend it in our Lord Jesus Christ. But still we stray. Still, we follow our own way and not yours, not the way of the cross, the way of love. Then, our worship is only a human commandment, learned by rote. Forgive us our flaws. Help us to hear your law. Lead us back to beauty. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri (p. 581)

*PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD*

Anthem: 10:30 – "Listen, God Is Calling" (GTG #456)

Kenya Hymn

Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 19 (p. 472)

\*Hymn: #213 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Children's Sermon

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

Second Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 (p. 156)

Sermon: **A CRAZY LITTLE THING CALLED LOVE**

*RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD*

\*Apostles Creed (p. 17)

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "Deep River"

Robert Lau

\*Doxology (p. 606)

\*Hymn: #625 "How Great Thou Art"

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "Awake, Thou Wintry Earth"

Lani Smith

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. Tom Burkins

10:30 a.m. Edwin Margerum

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

10:30 – Craig Keenan & Michele Lichty

God's Place for Kids Leaders – Tom & Vicki Burkins

The altar flowers celebrate Betty Sowers' 90th birthday this weekend.

Please join her family in wishing her a Happy Birthday!

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Ronald & Susan Funk  
3045 Meadowview Dr. West  
Gordonville, PA 17529-9519

**TODAY: Girl Scout Sunday**

8:00 a.m. Service of Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Service of Worship

7:00 p.m. Youth Group

**WEDNESDAY:**

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY:**

9:30 a.m. PW Bible Study @ the home of Arlene

6:00 p.m. The Factory Meal

7:15 p.m. Stewardship

**NEXT SUNDAY: Communion**

8:00 a.m. Service of Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Service of Worship

IN THE NURSERY: 8:00 – Sue Funk

10:30 – Mary Alice High & Mike Hartmann

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Last week's offering total was \$4,167.15

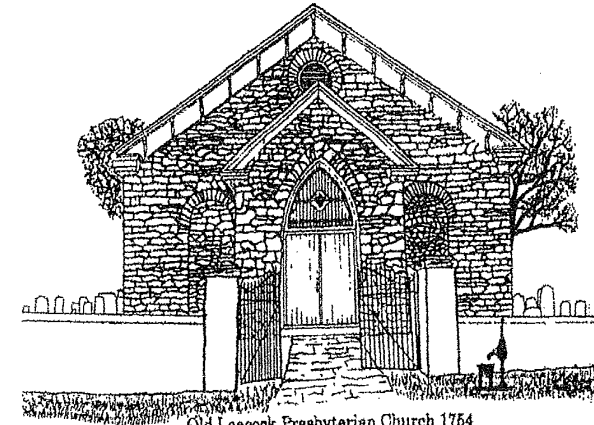
In order to meet the approved budget for 2015, we need to receive an average of \$4,333.00 each week in offering.

**Building Fund** collected \$1,229.00 for the month of February.

**Trustees** are looking for someone interested in being our Outdoor Sexton – if interested please contact George Shue 717-687-7240.

# 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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**Lent at Leacock:** Our Lenten Study is being held each Tuesday evening through March 24 at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall. We gather for a light meal of soup and bread followed by a study and discussion of the fruit of the Spirit led by our pastor, Bob Birch. If you cannot arrive by 5:30 please feel welcome to join us whenever you can.

**The One Great Hour of Sharing** offering runs through Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. This is our chance to give and share with those less fortunate than us. The special envelopes are in the pews or you may use a plain envelope and just mark it “One Great Hour of Sharing”. Please give as God has given to you. Your help is needed and appreciated.

**As a result of the winter weather**, we did not have a quorum at the February 22 Annual Meeting. We did go over the reports, but no action could be taken. Therefore, the Session calls for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation for the purpose of receiving annual reports, voting on the recommendations of the Nominating Committee and considering any other business brought before the congregation/corporation for **Sunday March 15 immediately following the 10:30 a.m. service of worship.**

**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.”