

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2016

*GATHERING*

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Jesus, Still Lead On" setting Donald Busarow

Invocation

*\*Call To Worship*

Leader: Though he was blessed, Jesus was tested.

**People: Still Jesus walked the way of God.**

Leader: Though we are blessed, we are tested.

**People: Let us then still walk the way of the Lord.**

Leader: Let us love, let us trust, our God,

**People: For the Lord is our refuge in times of trial.**

*Hymn:* #43 "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)*

**Merciful God, you know the trials of mortal life. In our Lord Jesus Christ, you lived them. And you promise to be with us when the tough times come. But it is in those times we are tempted, to hurt others when we hurt, to seek control when we fear we have lost control, to demand God's love when we feel alone. Lord, deliver us from evil; deliver us from our own evil. Show us your salvation. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri

*PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD*

10:30 Anthem: "Softly and Tenderly" arr. F. York

Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

(Following Children's Sermon, children leave for Sunday School)

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

*First Scripture Reading:* Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (p.518)

\*Hymn: #166 "Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days"

*Second Scripture Reading:* Luke 4:1-13 (p.57)

Sermon: **Wilderness Days**

*RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD*

\*Affirmation of Faith - Apostles Creed (p. 17)

The Peace of Christ

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here"

J. Wayne Kerr

\*Doxology (page 606)

\* Hymn: #687 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

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

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Celebration of my parents' 44<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

David & Carol Berkhimer

Given by Danielle, Lonnie, Jayde & Kyle

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.

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.)

9:30 – Tom & Vicki Burkins

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.) next Sunday, February 28

8:00 – On call list 10:30 – Margy & Bob Hershey

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Mary Ellen Rice

*We extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of  
Ralph Homsher who passed away on Sunday, February 14, 2016*

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TODAY**

9:30 a.m. Service of Worship  
11:00 a.m. Annual Meeting and Luncheon  
7:00 p.m. Youth Group

**MONDAY**

7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting

**TUESDAY**

5:30 p.m. Lenten Meal & Study

**WEDNESDAY**

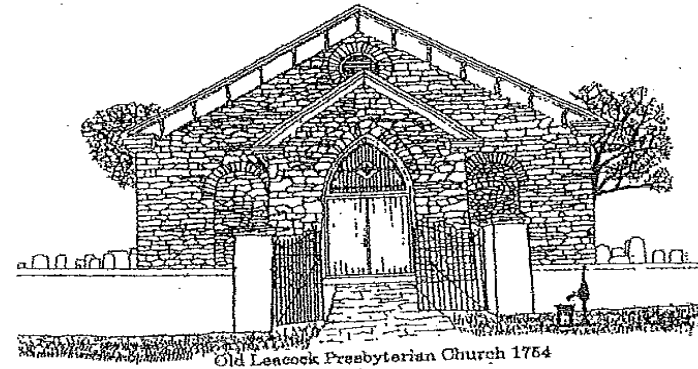
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**FRIDAY**

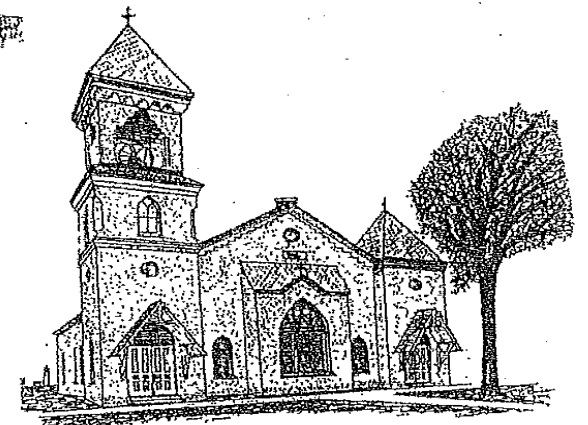
5:30 p.m. Community Meal

# Leacock Presbyterian Church

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## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today** there will be a covered dish luncheon following our annual meeting. Please join us for a time of fellowship and good food, for a chance to relax and connect with others in our congregation.

### **Lent at Leacock**

Our Lenten Study is being held each Tuesday evening through March 15 at 5:30 in Fellowship Hall. We gather for a light meal of soup and bread followed by a consideration and discussion of “The Questions of Christ” led by our pastor, Bob Birch. If you cannot arrive by 5:30, please feel welcome to join us whenever you can.

**Soup needed for Lenten Study:** If you would be willing to provide 2 quarts of soup (homemade or purchased) for any of the Lenten Study meals, please sign up on the sheet provided in the Narthex.

The next **Community Meal** is this Thursday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex for donations of food needed and people to help cook, serve, and clean up. Your help is sincerely appreciated.

**Fellowship time** in the Narthex Sunday mornings is a great time to connect with others in our church family. Many people enjoy this opportunity to snack and socialize and The Church and Community Life (CCL) Committee would like to see this special time continue but we need your help. We are looking for volunteers to provide refreshments, set up the beverage station, and clean up. There are sign up sheets in the narthex and we ask you to prayerfully consider helping out in whatever way you can. For more information, please contact Jenny Keenan at 471-1448. Thank you!

For the next five weeks we will be collecting the *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering. Please find the envelopes in the church pews or in your envelope box. Let's share with others what we have been so bountifully given.

This note is to remind everyone that the **Trustees Special Fund** for February is going to be used mostly for the replacement of the Manse furnace. It is truly in bad shape as any Trustee will tell you. We have made a good start on the last Special Fund and I hope we do the same this time. We will see how warm you want to keep the Birches the rest of the winter. Thanks for your consideration.

- Dave Berkhimer

### **Soprano**

Olivia Ober, daughter of Douglas and Kimberly Ober and a 2013 PV graduate, will be giving her Junior Recital on February 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Biemesderfer Hall on the Millersville campus. Everyone is welcome!

### *Easter Plants*

You will find the order forms for Easter Plants in the Narthex. Deadline is Sunday, March, 13<sup>th</sup>. Please order yours early.