

Third Sunday in Lent

March 4, 2018

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: Prelude on 'Arfon'

Raymond Haan

Invocation

Call To Worship

Leader: Let us remember that we are being saved.

People: Help us, Lord, to become stronger in our faith.

Leader: Let us remember that we are being saved.

People: Help us, Lord, to become wiser in our discernment.

Leader: Let us remember that we are being saved.

People: Help us, Lord, to become humbler in our worship.

*Hymn: #401 "Here in This Place"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Patient God, in Jesus you taught us your way. It is a way so different from the way of the world, for in it strength is found in yielding and wisdom is found in the heart. Yet still we go our way, trying to impose our will on others, sure that we know what is true. Forgive us. Heal us. Humble us, so that we may find your way. Amen.

*Response: In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. (p.654)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Anthem: "If My People Will Pray"

arr. Keith Christopher

Children's Sermon

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

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory "Were You There" arr. Dick Torrans

*Doxology (page 606)

Second Scripture Reading: John 2:13-22 (p.87)

Sermon: **The Need to Practice**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn: #500 "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Apostles Creed (p. 17)

The Peace of Christ

*Hymn: #766 "The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound"

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude "Praise to the Living God"

Edward Broughton

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 Loving Memory of my daughter Beth

Given by Shirley Musselman

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.): **NURSERY PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.** Please see an usher if you would like to take your children to the nursery.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER & HELPER

Today: Carol & Dave Berkhimer

Next Sunday, March 11: Vicki & Tom Burkins

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Ed Margerum

TODAY:

Communion Sunday

9:30 a.m. Service of Worship

10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School

5:30 p.m. Lenten Study

7:00 p.m. Youth Group

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministries

MONDAY

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. The Factory Meal

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS



Lent

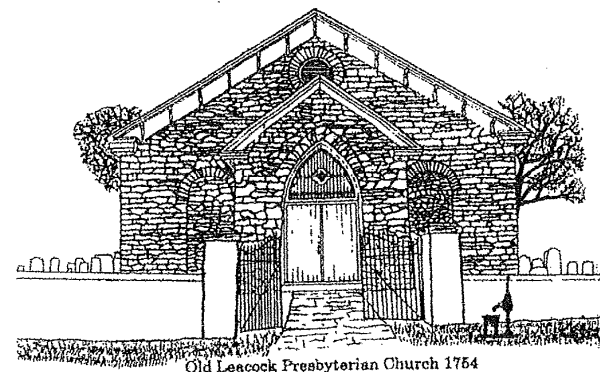
This Sunday, our **Lenten Study** continues as we explore different paths to God – what form of worship best fits you. The study follows a light meal at **5:30**.



One Great Hour of Sharing begins today and will run until Easter Sunday, April 1st. Envelopes should be in the pews or feel free to just put your offering in a plain envelope and label it for One Great Hour of Sharing and place it in the offering plate on any of these Sundays.

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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