

First Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2019

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "In Quietness and Confidence" Bach
(Isaiah 30:15)

**Call To Worship* (from an ancient Irish prayer)

Leader: Lord of my heart

People: Give me vision to inspire me that, working or resting, I may always think of you.

Leader: Lord of my heart

People: Give me light to guide me that, at home or abroad, I may always walk in your way.

Leader: Lord of my heart

People: Give me courage to strengthen me that, thinking or acting, I may always discern right from wrong.

**Hymn*: #756 "O God of Every Nation"

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, we call you Creator. We call Christ Lord. We call the Spirit Comforter. But we do forget. Times there are we think the world is ours. Times there are we bow to other lords. Times there are we seek an empty comfort. Take away temptation from us, Lord. Grant us strength for trials. Make whole our hearts. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*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: "Have Mercy on Me" Daryl Hollinger
Chancel Choir

Children's Sermon

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

First Scripture Reading: Romans 10:8b-13 (p.150)

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

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

Sermon: **The Trial of the Heart**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**Affirmation of Faith* #481 "I Believe in God the Father"

The Peace of Christ

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "Steal Away" Gilbert Martin

Doxology

**Hymn* #783 "When We Are Tested" (to tune of #688)

**Benediction*

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Choral Response: "Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you." (p.748)

Postlude "Were You There?" arr. Dick Torrans

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.

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

This Sunday: Mary Alice High & Margy Hershey

Next Sunday, March 17: Jennifer McElhany & Shirley Smith

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: **Jane Witmer**

<u>TODAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Service of Worship
	10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	5:30 p.m.	Evening Worship & Lenten Study
<u>MONDAY</u>	7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir
<u>THURSDAY</u>	6:00 p.m.	Factory Meal

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

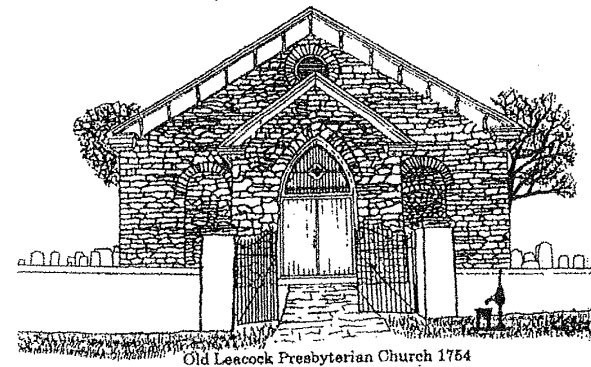
The Book & Movie Group's Friday, **March 15** meeting has been **cancelled**. It is rescheduled for April 5.

Our **Chili Cook Off** is Saturday **March 30**. Enter your chili to win or be a taster, or both! Register by March 24. Lots more information and entry forms are available in the narthex.

The latest Member Contact lists are in the back of the sanctuary. If you have changed your phone number or address, please let the office know. You can call and leave a message anytime.

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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