2nd Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2020

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" Anna Laura Page

*Call To Worship

Leader: God loves the world so much. **People:** Let us believe in the love of God.

Leader: God loves me so much.

People: Let us believe in the love of God.

Leader: God gives life to the dead. **People:** Let us be born of the Spirit.

Prayer of Confession

Hymn # 421, 1st four verses.

Assurance of Pardon Hymn #421, 5th verse.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

Anthem: "If My People Will Pray" arr. Keith Christopher

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" Donald Busarow

*Doxology (p. 606)

First Scripture Reading: Romans 4:13-17 (p.145)

*Hymn #286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Second Scripture Reading: John 3:1-17 (p.88)

Sermon: Like a Leaf

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Affirmation of Faith – Apostles Creed (p.17)

The Peace of Christ

*Hymn: #774 "There Is Now a New Creation"

*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: "Amazing Grace" arr. Harold DeCou

The End of Worship
The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of both our Parents Given by Bob & Margy Hershey

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.

Please remember to silence your cell phone before the beginning of service.

NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.) **PROVIDED UPON REQUEST**. Please see an usher if you would like to take your children to the nursery.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER & HELPER

This Sunday: Carol Shearer & Marie Brackbill Next Sunday: March 15: Lois & Darwin Eshleman

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Austin, Kristin, Finley & Casin Hayes

TODAY

9:30 a.m. Worship - Communion Sunday

10:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School

5:30 p.m. Lenten Meal & Study

MONDAY

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting

WEDNESDAY

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. Factory Meal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

One Great Hour of Sharing continues through Easter Sunday. Your gifts support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, The Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People Program. Envelopes are in the pews and on the table in the narthex. Please be generous in your giving.

The **SPECIAL OFFERING** collected in February totaled \$1,755 to go towards paying back the Endowment Fund where we borrowed \$8,000 to get the roof at Old Leacock replaced. The Trustees want to thank the congregation for their support in helping to keep OUR properties maintained and in good condition. Thank you.

Dave Berkhimer, Trustee President

Because of the extended flu season and concerns about the coronavirus, today's communion was prepared by people wearing gloves. To minimize handling, communion will be by intinction. You may choose not to receive the elements but may still come forward to receive a blessing. Indicate that you prefer this by crossing your arms across your chest.

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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