

Celebrating 200 Years!

Morning Worship March 14, 2010 Fourth Sunday in Lent

Coming Together in Christ

10:55 AM MEDITATION (Please pause in quiet preparation for worship.)

11:00 AM CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE *What A Friend* arr. Thygerson

INTROIT *Though I May Speak* "O Waly, Waly"
Though I may speak with bravest fire and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain; as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Entering God's Presence

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

People: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

Leader: Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

People: I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

* HYMN OF PRAISE #84 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* "Rathbun"

THE PRAYER OF APPROACH

SILENCE

AMEN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (together)

God our Father, you call us to honesty about who we are and all that we do. In these moments, make us honest with ourselves. We remember now those things we have done or left undone that have hurt others, that have caused suffering and pain to our world, that have betrayed our love for you. *(Please pause in silent prayer)*

Give us now the courage and the wisdom to do things differently, to change our behavior so that in asking for forgiveness we might lead forgiven lives. In the spirit of Jesus Christ who befriended and loved all sinners, we now pray. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (Congregation & Choir)

#572, The Hymnal

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE DECLARATION OF PARDON

Rich Luger

* THE RESPONSE IN PRAISE

#579, The Hymnal

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be;
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing God's Word

TIME FOR CHILDREN

* HYMN OF PREPARATION #442

The Church's One Foundation

"Aurelia"

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 100

Pew Bible p. 522

ANTHEM

Prayer
The JoyBells

Jeanne C. Warzyn

SECOND LESSON

John 15:9-17

Pew Bible p. 103

THE SERMON

"BFF- Best Friends Forever"

Rich Luger

Our Response to God's Love

* THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's Creed (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORSHIPPING THE LORD THROUGH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY SOLO *My Heart Is Filled With Longing* Bach

* THE DOXOLOGY #592, The Hymnal

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

* HYMN OF PARTING #403 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* "Converse"

* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet one another in the peace of Christ.)

* SUNG BENEDICTION *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* Dennis

**Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.**

Going Forth in God's Love

* THE POSTLUDE *Prelude in a minor* Bach

* Those who wish to do so are invited to stand

Statement of Purpose

Our Church exists to worship God and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Spirit, we shall serve God's Kingdom by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

Statement of Vision

We embrace open and progressive theology. Through education, training, worship and Session leadership we will realize our vision both individually and in community. We will be open to new ideas and programs while staying true to our beliefs and traditions. We will commit our personal and corporate resources to embody our Statement of Purpose. We will live our lives responsibly with honesty and integrity.

What's Happening This Week:



SUNDAY, MARCH (14)

9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages Book Study in Chapel
10:30 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM	Worship Service, 4 th Sunday in Lent JoyBells Playing, On the Air WCBC Rich Luger, Guest Preacher Matt Young, Guest Organist

MONDAY, MARCH (15)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
10:00 PM	Book Study in Pastor's Office
12:00 Noon	Highlanders Lunch at Bob Evans
5:30 PM	Congregational Care Meeting in Parlor

TUESDAY, MARCH (16)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool

WEDNESDAY, MARCH (17)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
6:15 PM	JoyBells Rehearsal
7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
6:30 PM	JV Basketball Practice at Cresaptown

THURSDAY, MARCH (18)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool

FRIDAY, MARCH (19)

9:00 AM	Church Office Open
9:00 AM	Learning Tree Preschool

SUNDAY, MARCH (21)

9:00 AM	Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM	Sunday School for All Ages Book Study in Chapel
10:45 AM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 AM	Worship Service, 5 th Sunday in Lent On the Air WCBC
12:15 PM	"Souper" Sweet Luncheon and Dessert Auction



“Souper” Sweet Spaghetti Luncheon

Sunday, March 21 at 12:15pm

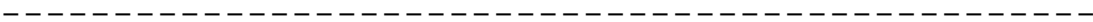
You are invited to a Spring luncheon followed by an auction of delectable desserts, and new this year: scrumptious homemade soups!

Join us for spaghetti, salad, roll and beverage for only \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children 6th grade and younger with a family maximum of \$20.

If you would like to bring soup to be auctioned, please make sure it is in a non-returnable container.

If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Jane Belt.

All proceeds benefit our youth summer conferences.



“Souper” Sweet Spaghetti Luncheon Sunday, March 21

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Number Attending: _____

I plan to bring:

I can help set up: _____

I can help clean up _____





Easter Flowers

Celebrate Easter by purchasing flowers that will be used to decorate the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Please indicate below whether you wish to take your plants home, or if you wish they be donated to one of our shut-ins. The florals are available in assorted colors. Please indicate your selection to the right, and total below.

	Price each	Quantity	Total Cost
Tulips, 6" potted	\$6.00	_____	\$ _____
Hyacinth, 6" potted	\$6.00	_____	\$ _____
Daffodil, 4" potted	\$4.00	_____	\$ _____
Mums, 6' potted	\$8.00	_____	\$ _____
Orange Star, 4' potted	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
Hydrangea, 4 1/2" potted	\$9.00	_____	\$ _____
Hydrangea, 6' potted	\$17.00	_____	\$ _____
Total		_____	\$ _____

My floral gift is in honor/memory of: _____

Given to the Glory of God by: _____

Please indicate: I would like to take my flowers home _____
 I would like to donate the flowers _____



Easter Music

You can also celebrate Easter by contributing to the Special Music Fund. This fund is separate from the budget and is used to pay guest musicians including area college students and tri-state professionals who are with us on holidays and during special music times in worship.

Special Music Contribution \$ _____

My Special Music gift is in honor/memory of: _____

Given to the Glory of God by: _____

Checks should be made payable to First Presbyterian Church. Please submit this form and payment to the church office or place in the offering plate by Sunday, March 21, 2010.