WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC
www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932
3rd Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 3, 2024
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Don Carl

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude: "Lenten Meditation" Richolson

#### Call to Worship

L: This is the day the Lord has made!

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

- L: This is the time when true worshipers will worship God in spirit and truth.
  - P: This is the moment when we encounter the living God and experience his presence among us.
- L: Worship the Lord with joy and thanksgiving.
  - P: For the Lord is good; his love is eternal, and his faithfulness lasts forever.

*Hymn*: "God Loved the World" (Lenten Praise Booklet- p. 24)

Miller

#### **Confession:**

L: Let us return to God with sincere and contrite hearts.

ALL: God, you have set before us the path but we have wandered on our own to find our way. Sometimes we are like toddlers and we hear your call and come back. Other times, we are children testing boundaries, ignoring your call. And still other times we are full of youthful rebellion, demanding to be cut loose and set free, not knowing how much we need your wisdom and guidance. Most of all, we think we are adults and have figured it all out on our own. Remind us, we are always your children. Help us acknowledge we need your wisdom and guidance and return to the path and walk with you. Amen.

L: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

P: Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Children's Message- Diane Breeden

Sanctuary Choir: "When We Pray"

Berry

*Scripture*: Ezekiel 3- The Message – *Jean Gross* 

Message: The Job of a Watchman

<u>Affirmation of Faith</u> - The Apostle's Creed (Lenten Praise Booklet- p. 3)

**Announcements** 

**Prayer Requests** 

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (Lenten Praise Booklet-p. 3)

Extinguishing of One Lenten Candle

\*<u>Hymn:</u> "Lift High the Cross" - Red Hymnal #304

Nicholson

\*Benediction

\*Postlude: "Great is the Lord"

Nolte

\*Members should rise if able.



# Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns March 3, 2024

#### Visitors...

Thank you for joining us today. We are happy to have you here. Please sign the guestbook located at the bell tower. Since you may be unfamiliar with us, below are some housekeeping items to help you find your way around:

- Restrooms are located in the overflow room, in the new section by the office, and down the stairs from the new sections.
- Brown offering envelopes are located in the pew backs and also on the cart by the bulletins. The offering plate is located on the cart in the overflow room.

#### Thank You...

I would like to thank all the fine folks that sent Marie and I the very nice card that had all of the names in it.~ *Donald Luckabaugh* 

## Spaghetti Dinner...

The Spring Grove Indoor Color Guard is hosting a spaghetti dinner to help raise money for the color guard. It will be held here in the fellowship hall on Sunday, March 17th at 4:00, 5:00, and 6:00 PM. Tickets are \$10. Dinner also includes salad, breadsticks, and dessert. You can dine-in or take out. Please see Ellie, Sierra, or Abby for tickets.

#### **Easter Lilies...**

Easter Lily time is here again. The price is \$8.50, and the deadline to order is March 20<sup>th</sup>. Call Carol Brown to place your order, 717-891-1440. Fill out the dedication forms found on the cart by the bulletins in the overflow room. Put them, along with your payment, into the offering plate.

## Midweek Lenten Season Worship Options & Meals...

Please pick up a copy of the *Lenten Season Community Services & Meal Schedule* for the time and locations of the midweek community services. St. Paul Zeigler's Lutheran Church, 4258 Zeiglers Church Rd., Seven Valleys, PA 17360, is hosting this **Wednesday, March 6**th. Dinner will be at 6:00 PM, and the worship service will follow the dinner at 6:30 PM.

## **Easter Egg Hunt...**

Our Easter Egg Hunt will be March 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. There will be snacks and crafts in addition to the Easter egg hunt. On the back table there is a box for **donations** of bags of **candy** or small treats that will fit inside plastic eggs. Thank you in advance! Spread the word to your friends and family! It will be a Hoppy time!

#### One Great Hour of Sharing Offering- March 10th...

One Great Hour of Sharing, March 10<sup>th</sup>, is one of four special mission offerings of the United Church of Christ. This Lenten Offering supports the disaster, refugee, and development ministries of the United Church of Christ within Wider Church Ministries. Envelopes are on the cart by the bulletins.

#### **Spring Forward March 10th...**

Remember to set your clocks an hour ahead next Saturday night before you go to bed.

### Jefferson Homemakers' Meeting...

The Jefferson Homemakers will meet in the church fellowship hall on **Wednesday**, **March 20**<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM for a Civil War presentation by Curt Weber followed by lunch. All are welcome. For questions, see Joan Messinger.

## **Spring Fling Tea Party...**

There will be a Spring Fling Tea Party on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, from noon until 2:00 PM at Salem UCC in Dover. It is a joint effort with Mt. Zion UCC in spring Grove. Some of the proceeds from the \$15 tickets will be supporting a mission project. To reserve tickets, please see Nancy Cherry.

### **Harvest of Hope Announcement...**

Looking ahead to Easter, the Harvest of Hope Food Pantry will be looking for approximately 1200 individual boxes of stuffing mix. If you can help, please place your donations in the food pantry box located at the entrance. Thank you.~ *Joy* 

#### Fellowship Hall/ Church Usage...

Our church is getting busier and busier – which is wonderful news. In order to ensure that everyone has a quiet/private place to hold their events or meetings, all meetings or events, within our building, should go through the church office during the planning phase to ensure there is no conflict. All meetings/events/activities that have been scheduled are placed on the church calendar, which is on our website, www.lischeysucc.org. Our church calendar also helps our sexton plan his work with as little impact on your gathering as possible. Thank you for your assistance and support.

Thank you to our helpers this week:		Next week's helpers are:	
Acolyte	Sierra Godfrey	TJ Mensinger	
Children's Message	Diane Breeden	Pastor Cathy	
Lay Liturgist	Jean Gross	Jean Weidler	
Greeters	Connie Neiderer & Lois Nelson	Darlene & Steve Miner	
Money Counters	Carol Brown, Joanne Hoffman,	Lisa Crisamore, Darlene Miner,	
	& John Klinedinst	& Lois Nelson	
Sound & Streaming	Diane Breeden & Amanda Godfrey	Diane Breeden & Pat McKowen	

## **Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...**

Wednesday, March 6 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 PM	Midweek Lenten meal at St. Paul Zeigler's Lutheran
	6:30 PM	Midweek Lenten service at St. Paul Zeigler's
		Lutheran Church, Seven Valleys
Thursday, March 7th	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Rehearsal
•	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, March 10th	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
•	9:30 AM	Children & Youth Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Monday, March 11th	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Sunday, March 17 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 PM	Spaghetti dinner to benefit SG Color Guard in the
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	6:00 PM	fellowship hall. Dine-in or take out.
Wednesday, March 20	10:00 AM	Jefferson Homemakers' Meeting

#### Office Hours...

The office will be open Monday through Thursday this week. See below for hours. Doors will be locked for security; therefore, we ask that you call (717) 225-3932 to let us know you are coming. Staff will be there at the following times:

Cathy Sherry, Pastor	Tue-Wed	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Tue-Wed	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

## **Upcoming Birthdays (\*Designates Over 80)**

March 06	Sierra Godfrey	March 09	Stephanie Brand
March 07	Julie Myers	March 16	Evelyn Walker
March 08	Blakelyn Sanders	March 17	Sandra Lehman

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

Total		\$1,617.00
Harvest of Hope		316.00
OCWM		5.00
Initial Offering		20.00
Loose Offering		15.00
Current Offering		\$1,261.00
Attendance	70- 64 Sanctuary / 6 YouTube	