# WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS St. Peter's Lischey's UCC www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932 First Sunday of Lent ~ Sacrament of Holy Communion Sunday, March 9, 2025 10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Sharon Winter

Ringing of the Bell

**Prelude:** "Have Mercy Upon Us"

Van Thompson

## Call to Worship (Based on Matthew 4)

L: Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by Satan who challenged Jesus to change stones into bread.

P: Jesus said, "One does not live by bread alone, but by the Word of God."

L: Then Satan took him to the pinnacle of the temple and said, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down."

P: Jesus said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

L: Satan took him to a very high mountain and offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world.

P: Jesus said, "Worship the Lord your God and serve only him."

ALL: Most Holy God, we are here to begin our Lenten journey with you; to serve and worship you alone.

*Hymn*: "Lord Jesus, Who through Forty Days" (Praise Booklet, p. 15)

Hernaman

# **Confession**

- L: Lord, I have denied you by refusing to know you.
  - P: I have betrayed you by keeping my distance.
- L: I have mocked you by pretending I am not yours.
  - P: Lord, I am lost; let your forgiveness find me.
- L: Forgive me for following from afar and I pray, take away from me my self-sufficiency.
- P: Welcome me into your forgiving arms and allow me to feel reconciled with you.
- L: Let the old pass away; change me from one who betrays you to a penitent child returning to you.

ALL: In the name of your Son, our Savior we pray. Amen.

Children's Message- Pastor Cathy

*Scripture*: Mark 6: 30-40 — Jean Weidler

Message: Dining Alfresco: Feeding the Multitude

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

**275**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary Moment**- Nancy McIntyre

Announcements, Joys, and Prayer Concerns

## **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

L: We come to your table, O Lord,

ALL: in company with tax collectors and sinners. We acknowledge that we are not worthy to partake of this holy meal. Yet on the promise of our Lord Jesus Christ, we come to be forgiven and to be made whole again.

L: Grant that as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we may be one with Christ in his pilgrimage to the cross.

ALL: Receive our thanks, O God, for coming to us in Jesus and sharing our human lot, suffering and dying for us, and being raised that we, too, may share in resurrection life. Amen.

L: Be present at our table, Lord!

ALL: Receive our offering of praise, O God.

L: Bless now this bread and fruit of the vine we share. Amen.

Breaking of Bread and Pouring of Juice

Lord's Prayer (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

Sharing of Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

## Extinguish Lenten Candle

\*Closing Hymn: "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" (Praise Booklet, p. 14)

Folk Hymn

\*Benediction

\*Postlude: "Fantasy in A Minor"

Broughton



## Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns March 9, 2025

#### 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.

<sup>\*</sup>All who are able, please rise.

#### Heartfelt Condolences...

With Christian sympathy, we offer our prayers and support to the family of Deanna Hildebrand, who passed away on Saturday, March 1, 2025. May God's grace and peace surround them in the days and weeks to come. A funeral service was held at the church on Saturday, March 8th, followed by Deanna's burial in our cemetery. May her memory be a source of comfort and blessing.

## The Giving Tree is once again adorned with leaves...

We invite you to select one or more leaves, write your name on the back, and place the corresponding dollar amount in an envelope along with the leaf or leaves. The Mission Committee is raising funds to support two Mission speakers: one on Sunday, March 16, from *Harvest of Hope*, and the other on April 6, from *Hanover Area Council of Churches*. Your generous support will help provide a Love Offering to these vital organizations that deliver essential services to our community.

Thank you for your contribution!

The Mission Committee

#### Missing Information on Our History or Renovations?

It has recently come to our attention that a significant renovation was inadvertently omitted from the notebook insert. If you are aware of any other historical events or renovations that should be included, please reach out to the office. We want to ensure that the inserts and our records of the 275th Anniversary are as comprehensive as possible. Thank you for your assistance!

### **Harvest of Hope Food Collection...**

Throughout March, Lischey's will be gathering essential items to help provide Easter meals for those in need. We aim to collect **100 of each** of the following:

- Boxed Potatoes
- Boxed Stuffing
- Chicken or Turkey Gravy

Your generosity makes a difference! Thank you for your continued support of Harvest of Hope.

Thank you to our helpers this week:		Next week's helpers are:	
Gathering Music	Sharon Winter	Michele Hamme	
Lay Liturgist	Jean Weidler	Jenell McKowen	
Children's Message	Pastor Cathy	Michele Hamme	
Acolyte	TJ Mensinger	Will Bakner	
Greeters	Joanne Hoffman & John Klinedinst	Darlene & Steve Miner	
Money Counters	Lisa Crisamore, Don Carl, & Pat McKowen	Elvin Myers, John Klinedinst, & Pat McKowen	
Sound & Streaming	Don Carl & Diane Breeden	Blaine Breeden & Toni O'Neal	

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

Monday, March 10th	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 12 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 PM	Mid-Week Community Lenten Dinner & Worship Service at Trinity Lutheran, Jefferson
Thursday, March 13th	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Practice

Thursday, March 13th	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice
Sunday, March 16 <sup>th</sup>	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	9:30 AM	Children & SPLATT Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	11:30 AM	Congregational Meeting for the Annual Report
	6:00 PM	Mid-Week Community Lenten Dinner &
Wednesday, March 19th		Worship Service at St. Paul Ziegler's Lutheran
		Church, Seven Valleys

## Office Hours...

The office will be open during the hours listed below. 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	10:00 AM - Noon
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Mon-Thur	Noon - 2:00 PM

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

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March 09	Stephanie Brand	March 20	Grace Mensinger
March 16	Evelyn Walker	March 22	Dennis Kimball
March 17	Sandra Lehman	March 22	Samuel Wagaman
March 18	William Hersh		_

## Our Response to God's Love for Last Week was...

Attendance	68-62 Sanctuary/	6 YouTube

Total	\$2,810.00
Memorial Fund	25.00
OCWM	30.00
Initial Offering	35.00
Current Offering	\$2,720.00