In response to God's love and grace, through Jesus Christ, we commit to learning, proclaiming, and living the love of God.



# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Order of Worship for March 17, 2024 10:00 am Worship Service

Fifth Sunday of Lent

## SERVING THE CHURCH TODAY

Please join us for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship in the Social Room after Worship.

Everyone is Welcome!

## **Centering Thought**

Come, and see the victories of the cross. Christ's wounds are your healings, His agonies your repose, His conflicts your conquests, His groans your songs, His pains your ease, His shame your glory, His death your life, His sufferings your salvation." Matthew Henry

Welcome & Brief Announcements

The Prelude Christ Is Surely Coming Matthew Machemer Ken Shockey, organ

\*The Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord leads us like a shepherd.

All: God nourishes our lives and restores our souls.

All: God's goodness and mercy are always close at hand.

Leader: Let us worship God with one heart together.

\*Hymn #801 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

\*The Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O Lord our God, you created us and called us good. You planted us in the garden of your grace and provided everything we might need. Yet we are tempted by other fruit and succumb to our own desires. We sin against you, disobeying your commandments. We sin against others, causing sorrow and suffering. We even sin against ourselves, forgetting that we are made in your image. Forgive us, O God, and help us to not cast judgment but to offer help to one another.

(Silent prayers of confession)

\*The Assurance of Peace

Leader: Friends! Believe the Good News! By the merits of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

#### All: Thanks be to God!

\*The Gloria Patri #581

The Children's Time

The Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes so that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. Amen

The First Scripture Lesson

Galatians 6:11-18

Anthem This We Pray

Jay Althouse

\*The Gospel

Luke 19:31-34

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message

The Glory of the Cross

-Pastor Bob Cook

Response to the Word

The Apostles Creed

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The Prayer Hymn #213 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

\*The Doxology #606

\*The Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

\*The Closing Hymn #307 God of Grace and God of Glory

\*The Blessing

The Postlude Fugue in A Minor

Ken Shockey, organ

John A. Behnke

### ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

For 75 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world.

In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

### **LENTEN BOOK STUDY**

Pastor Robert Cook is holding a Lenten Book Study on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am at the Brio Coffeehouse, 112 S Antrim Way. We use the book "Unrevealed Until Its Season" by James Howell, taking us through the 40 days of Lent using familiar hymns.

# **SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE**

The GPC Special Events Committee is looking for new members to help with hospitality — events such as Easter Sunrise Breakfast, Coffee Fellowship, Annual Picnic, Advent Dinner, etc. They typically meet the first Monday of the month at 10 am in the Edwards Room. Contact Mary Sauder 717-816-9634 or Kim Morrison 717-658-5103.

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Sunday 3/17** 10:00 am Worship Service / Coffee Fellowship

2:00 pm Dementia Caregivers

6:00 pm Youth Group

Prayers for Duncannon Presbyterian Church

Wednesday 3/20 9:00 am Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry

9:00 am Wednesday Prayer Circle

6:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm Chancel Choir 7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting

Thursday 3/21 10:00 am Lenten Study with Pastor Bob

at Brio Coffeehouse

7:00 pm Deacon Meeting

Sunday 3/24 HOLY WEEK BEGINS

10:00 am Worship Service / Coffee Fellowship

6:00 pm Youth Group

Prayers for East Waterford Presbyterian Church



March 31

Easter Sunday

Resurrection of the Lord

Sunrise Service 7:30am followed by Breakfast

Worship Service

Communion 10:00am

followed by Easter Egg Hunt One Great Hour of Sharing



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## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Marna Yingling Dian Bishop Dan Patton **Becky Hess** 

June Marshall Vasilija Milanovic Nancy McIntyre Tracey Hammond

and family Herb Layton

Bethany Yeager Bernice Walck Penny Mohler Patti Sechrist Dot Wilson Alan Shope Cathy Thomas

**Dominic Frampton** Mary Lou Riddle

Bobbi Biesecker Steven Bishop

Sue Lum Mindy Grosh Ian Shafer Michael Paylor

Rowan Stotler Linda Pittman Jane Everetts Rachael, Christopher

& Anna Lee Massieu Laura

Shawn Schaeffer Mary Buhl Cullen Gaston Sandra Meadows Frank Marconi **Bob & Sandy Seidel** 

The Gagne family Frank & Tracey Toston

Bill & Kathy Kendall Bill Horst Colin Rinker Dan Amato

Aaron Frick **Tiffany Robinson** Ray Spitz The Bentley family Sue Angle Marisabel Cordova

Maddie Shew Rev. Bill Beck

Caroline Robinson

Tim Walck

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Consoler, we turn to you in our hour of need. O Good Shepherd, lighten our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to bear this load. We place our trust in you. Amen.



## MATTHEW ANDERSON SCHOLARSHIP



The Greencastle Presbyterian Church (GPC), in honor of Rev. Dr. Matthew Anderson, is pleased to recognize a graduating senior who resides in the Greencastle-Antrim School District with a scholarship award. Rev. Anderson, a Greencastle native, lived from 1848-1928. He and his family worshipped with our congregation.

Following the war, Rev. Anderson helped educate former slaves of the community in a mission school established by the Presbyterian Church. Graduating from Princeton in 1877, he was one of the first three African-Americans to attain such status. It is our hope, in the words of the late William Conrad, local historian and member of the Greencastle Presbyterian Church, that "the memory of this servant of God will continue to live through our Matthew Anderson Scholarship Fund," which is designed to aid those who require assistance in pursuing studies at college, university, certificate program or vocational school.

Scholarship application is available on the church website. Application deadline is April 1st.

# **LET'S GET ACQUAINTED!**

GPC is in the midst of putting together a New Pictorial Church Directory. Thank you to everyone who had their picture taken last weekend, we are at about 65%! This is a great way to connect names and faces within our church family which helps unite us on a more personal level. Stay tuned for an announcement of a make-up date or send your digital photo to gpc.office17225@gmail.com.



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