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WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP Fifth Sunday in Lent Holy Communion

April 2, 2017 11:00 AM

PRELUDES "Sarabande" Bach

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE APPROACH GOD

CHORAL INTROIT

"The Lord of Hosts is With Us"
Chancel Choir

Psalm 46

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Seek, while the Lord may be found; call out, while the Lord is near.

Forsake the way of the wicked, choose the way that is righteous.

Return to the Lord who is always merciful,

Return to God who is swift to forgive; thank God who daily lifts us up; God who saves us.

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 327

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

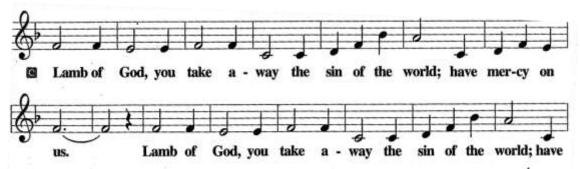
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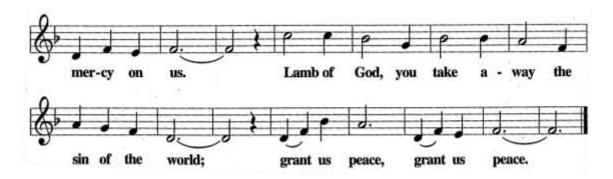
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live? Who could endure? We seem to have more faith in the reality of death than hope in your promise of life. We seek peace through war and find security in weapons. We forsake the hungry, sick and dying, and pursue wealth that makes others poor. (Silent Confession)

And still, you love us; you forgive us. So receive our worship and devotion, for you alone can save us from the power of death and redeem us from our sin. Amen.

*KYRIE





*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*ACT OF PRAISE

"We Come to You, O Father"

Maker

We come to you, O Father, confessing Jesus, Lord; and knowing by your grace we have been rescued from our sin; we turn from clinging to the past, to heed your call this day, to sing your praise, to hear your word, and bless your name always.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg (Following the time with children, our young people through kindergarten age may be excused to child care)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Prayer of the Congregation

God of love, with great joy and great hope we celebrate the baptism of Evelyn. In Jesus' name we welcome her and offer ourselves to be her sisters and brothers, aunts and uncles, grandmothers and grandfathers in the faith. God, help us to do everything in our power to surround Evelyn and her family with Christian love, and by your grace and favor lead her to always be a faithful follower of our Lord and Savior. Amen.

BAPTISMAL HYMN NO. 482

"Baptized in Water"

Bunessan

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, we wait for you, and trust in your Word. By your Spirit's power, set our hearts and minds on the source of all life and peace; Jesus our Savior, Amen.

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 27:1-2, 11-26; NT 31 & 32

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Pontius Pilate: Example of Misplaced Faith" Teaching Elder James Bernhardt

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

INVITATION TO PRAYER "Come, Holy Spirit" Purchase

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem "Man of Sorrows" Larson

Chancel Choir

*Offertory Response "Trust In God" Song 13 (Psalm 128)

With these gifts we offer. Lord, make a road through wilderness, living water, give for thirst, feed the hungry of the earth.

Gibbons

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

Communion Hymn No. 515 "I Come with Joy" vss.1-3 Dove of Peace

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer (debts)

The Sharing of the Meal Prayer after the Meal

TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 515 "I Come with Joy" vss.4-5 Dove of Peace

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" Land of Rest

Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE "Bourree" Bach

*Everyone who is able may stand

Bold lettering is to be read responsively by the congregation **Bold lettering that is italicized** is to be sung by the congregation

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WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday, April 2, 2017 WELCOME

"I will show love to those who were called unloved and, to those who were called 'not-my-people', I will say 'you are my people' and they will answer, 'you are our God'." (Hosea 2:23)

Wayside Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) is a place where the mind is nourished as well as the spirit, and where we affirm the dignity and worth of every person. As we are all created in the image of God, we believe discrimination is incompatible with Christ's Gospel of unconditional love. While we celebrate our Presbyterian identity, we acknowledge that we are not alone on the path to understanding God. We invite conversations that move us to seek a deeper understanding of life in the Spirit.

Be who you are and be welcome here.

FOR OUR CHILDREN

Childcare is available during the entire worship hour for infants and preschool children. Children may remain for the entire service or take advantage of childcare (kindergarten and younger). Children's worship activity bags are available for children remaining in the worship service. Please return them following worship.

CHALLENGED CHILDREN AND YOUTH

If sound is unsettling to your child or youth, ask the usher for earplugs at the back of the sanctuary. We will soon have teens trained to accompany a young person when worship becomes too long. Our hope is to allow parents a time of worship. If you are interested in finding a companion for your child let Keith know.

SERVICE NOTES

A hearing enhancement system is available for those who have a need. An usher will be happy to provide you with a receiver this morning. Large print bulletins are also available.

Thanks to those who helped with the service today:

Church Opener: Tom Momeyer

Ushers: 8:30 AM: Bill Bremmer and Ritch Marsh

11:00 AM: Pam Monaco, Cade Sbrocco, Rachael Sbrocco,

Jonathon Sidorowicz, Mark Smith and Dan Taylor

Acolytes: Alivia Garrity and Hannah Morrow

Worship Assistant: Marilyn Russell Sound Board: Jim Allman

Greeters: Peter and Jane Gilewicz, Worship; Britt Daehnke, SN&E

Information Table: Micki Loesel Fellowship Time: Bobbi Jo Fye

Child Care: Gilewicz-Fuchs & Kim & Aaron Garrity Families, Nursery;

van Helden Family, Preschool

A reminder to those scheduled to help next week:

Church Opener: Matt McCullough

Ushers: 8:30 AM: Tim Feltmeyer and Kurt Menges

11:00 AM: Bobbi Jo Fye, Jon Hoyt, Ron Kolb, Bill Pentz, Jim Perkins, Adam Snyder, Ed Snyder, Barb Sundberg and Axel Swanson

Acolytes: Sara DeBello and Joey Turner

Sound Board: Jack Grimm

Greeters: Lynn Bowen, Worship; Gene Sundberg, SN&E

Information Table: Tracey Bowes Fellowship Time: Steve Porter

Child Care: Hutzelman & van Helden Families, Nursery; Bowes Family, Preschool

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 2-9, 2017

Sunday, April 2	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
Holy Communion	9:30 AM	Chancel Choir
Baptism of Evelyn Anne Weaver	9:45 AM	Sunday School
,	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	12:00 PM	Fellowship Time
	12:15 PM	New Member Class
Monday, April 3	6:30 PM	Sanctuary Bells
Wednesday, April 4		NO WOW, Children's Choirs or
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	4:00 PM	Family Outing to Hurry Hill Farm
	6:00 PM	Fellowship Dinner
	6:30 PM	Lenten Evening Prayers
	7:30 PM	Congregational Development & Nurture
Thursday, April 5		NO Chancel Choir
Saturday, April 8	10:00 AM	EGG-sperience
Sunday, April 9	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
Palm Sunday	9:30 AM	Chancel Choir
·	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	12:00 PM	Fellowship Time
	5:00 PM	Multicultural Diners Club

SANCTUARY FLOWERS & BULLETIN COVER SPONSORS

The Sanctuary Flowers today are provided by the Flower Fund in memory of Paul and Grace Zarenko. Today's bulletin cover is sponsored by the Haas Family in memory of their dear friend Betty Irvin.

The cost of Sanctuary Flowers has been raised to \$58 due to the addition of a delivery fee by the vendor. If you have questions about your order, please contact Micki Loesel.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

With joy and thanksgiving we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper this morning. Jesus welcomes to the table all who come in faith and trust, including young children with their parents. Gluten-free wafers are available on a separate tray. Please indicate to an usher or communion server if this is your preference.

WELCOME OUR SUBSTITUTE ORGANIST

Our guest organist/choir director once again is Laurie Hitt. Laurie teaches music in Fairview and is a good friend of this congregation. Welcome back, Laurie.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

It will be our privilege at the 11 AM service this morning to share in the baptism of Evelyn Anne Weaver, daughter of Kevin and Brooke Weaver, younger sister of Charlotte and Jacob Weaver and granddaughter to Mindy and Bob Scholl, Pat and Brenda Weaver and Jeannie and Brad Bloomster. Our thanks to the Weaver, Scholl and Bloomster families for the joy of sharing this important day.

LENTEN WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYERS

During Lent join with us on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM for 30 minutes of prayer. There is no need to sign up. We will meet in the Prayer Room on the hallway between Room 18 and the Nursery.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

A class for people interested in becoming members of Wayside will be held **today** following the 11:00 AM Service. Lunch will be provided. A commitment to join Wayside is not required to attend. If you are interested in participating, please let James know.

FAMILY OUTING TO HURRY HILL FARM

Today is the last day to register for the April 5 family outing to Hurry Hill Farm in Edinboro. Signup at the Information Table in the Lobby. Let us know if your child will be meeting at the church and taking the van or if you will be driving your family. If you are willing to take other children with you, please let us know that as well.

This event is open to all Wayside families. We will meet at the church at 4:00 PM and return by 6:30 PM. Cost will be \$10 per person. Scholarships, of course, are available. Contact Keith for more information. We hope you will join us for this fun and educational experience.

EGGS-PERIENCE

On Saturday, April 8, young children and their parents are invited to attend Eggs-perience from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Our annual Easter Party will have a lesson, a craft, games, and a snack. Guests are welcome. Each family will receive a Holy Week children's guide at the event.

ITS TIME FOR A NEW CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!

It has been six years since Wayside last created a pictorial directory. This Sunday we will continue to take sign-ups for photo sessions for our new 2017 pictorial directory. We will also distribute packets for each Wayside family in the lobby after worship, which will provide all the information necessary to participate. Please stop by the table in the lobby to pick up your packet! Photographs will be taken April 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 as well as May 9 and 10 here at Wayside. Everyone who has their picture taken will receive a free church directory as well as a free 8x10 photograph from their photo session.

You may sign up for your photo session on Sunday mornings in the church lobby for the next several weeks, on-line during the week at our church web site, **www.wayside-erie.org**, or by calling the church office at 833-7653. We hope that ALL church members will participate in this project, which will provide a lasting memory of our church family.

GREETERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS-

We need a number of people to help families sign in when they arrive to have their pictures taken for our new Church pictorial directory. We are looking for people who are available for 2 hours on any of our picture days, which are April 25, 26,27,28,29 and May 9 & 10, from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00p.m. If you can help, please sign up at the information table in the lobby. If you have questions, please contact Lois May at 490-9426.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SPRING GATHERING

The PW Spring Gathering will be on Saturday April 22, 2017 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM at Meadville First Presbyterian Church, 890 Liberty St., Meadville. Explore the topic of "Who is My Neighbor" with keynote speaker Rev. Tim Solomon. The mission project will support the church food pantry. Please bring nonperishable food items. Cost for lunch is \$6.

Child care is available with advance reservations. Please bring a sack lunch for each child. Please sign up at the Information Table or by calling Mary Zahora at 833-2161 or email maryzahora@meadvillefpc.org.

GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES PER CAPITA CHALLENGE

We are slightly over halfway to our goal of collecting \$8000 to help defray Wayside's \$16,680 per capita obligation in 2017 to the PC(USA). We pay \$30 for each member; see the display in the Lobby for further details. Please help us reach our goal by contributing \$30 for each confirmed member of your family. Thank you.

OFFERING CARDS

For those that give their offering electronically, by mail or by means other than in the offering plate weekly, we have placed offering participation cards in the pews. You may place one of these "I Give" cards in the offering plate to represent your offering to God during the collection.

SERVING DINNER AT EMMAUS SOUP KITCHEN

Volunteers are needed to assist with serving dinner at Emmaus Soup Kitchen, 218 E. 11th St. and Holland St. at 3:00 PM Wednesday, April 12. If you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

EASTER FLOWERS

Today is the last day to help decorate the church for Easter by purchasing flowering plants for the sanctuary. Sign up at the Information Table or call the church office at 833-7653. We would appreciate it if you would pay when you order. An envelope in which to put your payment is on the Information Table.

MULTICULTURAL DINERS CLUB

Our next dining experience will be on Sunday, April 9 at 5:00 PM at the Samurai Kitchen and Sushi, 2767 West 12th St. (just east of Peninsula Drive on the south side), a newly opened restaurant featuring Indonesian and Japanese food. Jufi and Sara Andreas are thinking through options for a yummy \$15 meal that evening. Please sign up at the Information Table, call the office, or call Gary Larson (866-5271) to **make reservations by noon on April 9.**

WEEKLY GIFTS TO THE WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY

Next week's suggested items for the Food Pantry are mac and cheese and peanut butter. Non-perishable items such as diapers, feminine hygiene products, toiletries and pet foods are always appreciated. Checks should be made out to "West Millcreek Food Pantry".

Spiritual Nurture and Education (SN&E) LENTEN DEVOTIONALS

- Check our website for daily devotionals throughout Lent. Be sure to share your thoughts as well. http://www.wayside-erie.org/news--media/daily-lenten-devotion.html
- Teens: Lent is Trending is available at the Information Table at no cost. On-line, James and Keith recommend <u>d365.org</u>. Adults: A limited number of Lenten devotions entitled Meeting Jesus, focus on the Lenten theme of "Personalities of the Passion". These are available at the Information Table at a cost of \$3 each. Please place your payment in the envelope provided.
- A daily on-line Devotional will begin Ash Wednesday on the Wayside website at http://www.wayside-erie.org/news--media/daily-lenten-devotion.html. Read the day's passage and share a reflection of your own.

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Issues of Faith:</u> Today Karen Haas will provide information about the Bread for the World Offering of Letters. The Offering of Letters will take place April 23 and April 30. April 9, James Bernhardt, will discuss the changing face of global Christianity.

WAYSIDE READERS

Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates is his personal exploration of being African American in the U.S. The study group will meet on Thursday April 20 at 7:00 PM at the home of James Bernhardt, 1970 Zimmerly Rd. If you would like to join us, please sign up at the Information Table.

YOUTH

This week we will plan for the EGG-sperience. April 9 will be our Easter Pageant.

WOW (WAYSIDE ON WEDNESDAY) KIDS' CLUB

A Wednesday program for youth from 2nd to 5th grade beginning at 4:00 PM April 5 is our visit to Hurry Hill Farm. There will be no club on April 12, which is Holy Week.

WAYOUTH

A Wednesday program for youth 6th-12th grades beginning at 6:00 PM April 5 is our visit to Hurry Hill Farm. There will be no club on April 12, which is Holy Week