

## Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church

Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. \*Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. \*Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Life-sustaining God, with us through all our trials and temptations, bear us up through this Lenten season of self-examination, that we might feed on the bread of your word, open ourselves to your presence without demanding proof and signs, and let go of all the idols that surround us to worship and serve you with joy and delight, in uprightness of heart, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### *Celebrating Eighteen Years of Faithful Living and Giving!*

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**Sunday, March 1, 2020 SEASON OF LENT 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**  
(\*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

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### THE CHURCH GATHERS

**Prelude** Sarah Abushakra  
Chiming the Hour and Lighting the Christ Candle

\*Hymn No. 701 *Lord, Prepare Me*

#### Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer

#### \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**  
(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)

\*Hymn No. 400 *I Rejoiced When I heard Them Say*  
(Refrain Only) Shalom, shalom, the peace of God be here.  
Shalom, shalom, God's justice be ever near

### TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

\***Responsive Call to Worship** Liturgist: Nancy Thornburgh  
We do not live by bread alone.  
**So we gather to feast on God's sustaining Word.**  
We come at the Spirit's leading  
**To offer ourselves in service to Christ.**  
Come, find strength for the journey.  
**Let us worship the one true, God.**

\*Hymn No. 440 *Jesus Lover of My Soul*

**Call to Confession** Liturgist: Nancy Thornburgh  
If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. -- **I John 1:8-9**  
Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

**Unison Prayer of Confession** Liturgist: Nancy Thornburgh  
PSALM 51:1-17

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

*Silence for Personal Confession*

**Assurance of Pardon** Liturgist: Nancy Thornburgh  
Friends hear the Good News and believe it:  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

#### Lenten Affirmation of Faith - by Lisa Frenz

I believe in God the Creator, who made me and all things, who set me on my path in this world. I believe in God the Savior, who is one with the Creator, who rescued me and all creation from the depredations of our violations against God and creation. This man, Jesus of Nazareth, the Christ, walked a path through this world, taking on human form having been born of a woman through the power of the Holy Spirit. He lived and worked in this world among people just like me. He walked God's path to death on a cross and rose from the dead to open our pathway to eternal life. I believe in God the Holy Spirit, my counselor and guide, who is one with the Creator and the Christ, who through the body and blood of Jesus brings me into communion with all people, past, present and future; who calls me to walk a sacred way of life through this world, caring for creation and the people I meet on the way, loving them, helping them, welcoming them without prejudice, being God's hands and feet in the world.

\*Hymn No. 322 *We Are One in Christ*

**Time with Young Disciples** *Children's Church follows in Room 5*  
*The children are invited to the steps for the Time With Young Disciples*

### TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

**Congregational Care Note** – If you want to request a home visit from the Elder of the Week or Pastor, please contact the church office.

**Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**  
*Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.*

#### Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

#### Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings as Faithful Stewards

Offertory *As Longs the Deer* Celebration Choir

\*A Lenten Doxology Praise God throughout these forty days. Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise. And praise the Spirit who imparts God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.

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#### \*Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

By your surprising grace, O God, our eyes are opened, our ears are unstopped, our hearts attuned to the needs of others. We give so more people may know your acceptance and forgiveness. We support the ministry of preaching, teaching, and healing among us and through the outreach of the church. Expand our horizons, we pray, and tear down the limits of our caring.

### TO WORSHIP THROUGH WORD, SACRAMENT AND WITNESS

Scripture *Matthew 4:1-11* NRSV  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Facing Temptation with Jesus* Tom Dendy

### CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*Hymn No. 525 *Let Us Break Bread Together*

Invitation to the Lord's Table  
Words of Institution and Prayer of Preparation  
Sharing the Bread and Cup  
\*\*(Please hold bread/cup until all have been served and we will partake of communion together.)

### AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Hymn No. 516 (Vss. 1 & 4) *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

\*Postlude Sarah Abushakra  
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CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
<b>Sun Mar 1</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent</b>	
	Universal Christ Book Discussion Group	9:00 am
	Adult Bible Study of <b>John</b>	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	<b>Communion</b>	
Mon Mar 2	Adult Bible Study of <b>John</b>	10:00 am
Tues Mar 3	QUILTERS meet at the church	10:00 am
	Daisy Scouts meet at the church	4:30 pm
Wed Mar 4	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Thu Mar 5	LadyBug Luncheon, Old Bull and Bush	12:00 pm
Fri Mar 6	World Day of Prayer	
<b>Sun Mar 8</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent</b>	
	<b>Daylight Saving Time begins</b>	<b>2:00 am</b>
	Universal Christ Book Discussion Group	9:00 am
	Adult Bible Study of <b>John</b>	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church, He~Brews Cafe	11:00 am

**Serving March 1**

**Visitor Table:** Heidi Cherry      **Nursery:** Donna Woodard  
**Children's Church:** Trudy Miller  
**Candle lighter:** Jeffrey Waltemeyer  
**Media Shout:** Bernadine Lamar    **Sound Board:** Anthony Tiani  
**Liturgist:** Nancy Thornburgh      **Preacher:** Tom Dendy  
**Elder of the Week:** Wayne Harms—843-347-6115  
**Ushers:** Corey Jacobs, Kathy O'Halloran, Beth Bruton, Terry Baker  
**Chimes:** Cindy Smith and Janet Rouseff  
**Communion Elders:** Ken Krenzer, Katrena White, Barbara Barranco, Myra Burrows, Nancy Torcivia

**Serving March 8**

**Visitor Table:** Linda Miller      **Nursery:** Nanette Kelly  
**Children's Church:** Trudy Miller  
**Candle lighter:** Jeffrey Waltemeyer  
**Media Shout:** Katrena White    **Sound Board:** Bernadine Lamar  
**Liturgist:** Priscilla Mulligan      **Preacher:** Tom Dendy  
**Elder of the Week:** Anthony Tiani—724-972-7303  
**Ushers:** Corey Jacobs, Kathy O'Halloran, Beth Bruton, Terry Baker  
**Chimes:** Kathy O'Halloran and Janet Rouseff

Upcoming Opportunities
Mar 12—Team E cooks at The Shepherd's Table, 1pm
Mar 14—Church Property Spring Clean-Up, 9am-12noon
Mar 15—3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent, Stated Session Meeting 12:15pm
Mar 17—St. Patrick's Day, Daisy Scouts meet at the church, 4:30pm
Mar 20—Breakfast Buddies, Olympic Flame, 9am
Mar 22—4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent
Mar 23—Preschool Closed
Mar 29—5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent, 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday offering received
Mar 31—Daisy Scouts meet at the church, 4:30pm

**DAILY ONLINE LENTEN DEVOTIONAL – [www.D365.org](http://www.D365.org)**

**SERVICE/SERMON NOTES AND REMINDERS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**JOIN US AT CELEBRATION**  
*We are Christ followers who are open,  
 accepting, loving and welcoming to all!*

**Our Purpose**  
*To Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching,  
 and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.*



**March 1, 2020**  
**11:00 a.m. Worship**  
*Celebrating Eighteen Years of  
 Faithful Mission and Ministry!*



**JOIN THE 40-DAY  
 LENTEN JOURNEY**

**OUR MISSION is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and  
 Savior, Praise and Worship God,  
 Prepare our hearts to share God's Word,  
 and Provide Love and Service to ALL!**