

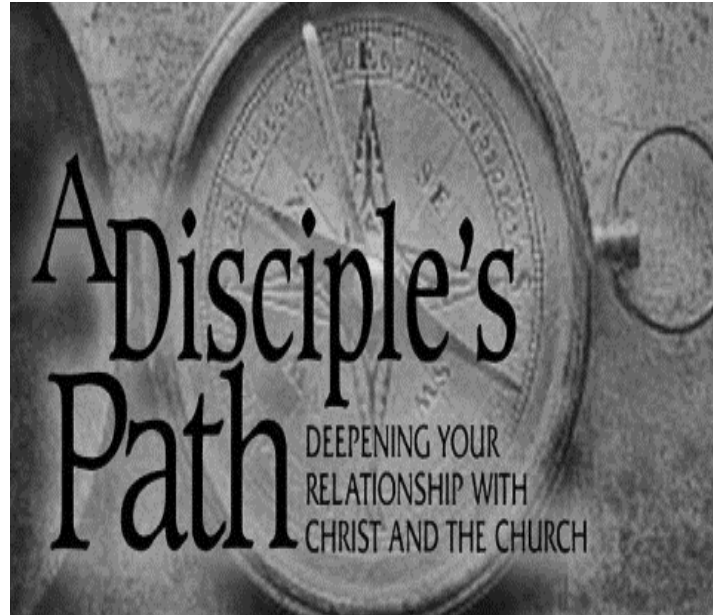
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Our Mission:

***To make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.***

2nd SUNDAY in LENT

March 12, 2017

Series: A Disciple's Path

Today's Theme: Prayer and Scripture

PERIODIC LITANY (May be used at any time.)

L: God is good.

P: All the time.

L: And all the time.

P: God is good.

(You are invited to stand, as you are able, wherever a "*" is marked. **Bold print** indicates congregational participation.)

ENCOUNTER GOD'S LOVE

WELCOME AND PARISH CONCERNS

***PRAISE SONG**

God of Wonders

***CALL to WORSHIP**

Worship Leader: Ask and you will receive. Seek and you will find. Knock and the door will be opened to you.

Congregation: We knock on the door of heaven.

WL: Everyone who asks, receives. Whoever seeks, finds. To everyone who knocks, the door is opened.

C: We ask for the bread of salvation.

WL: Just as we yearn to give good gifts to our children, so the Holy One yearns to give us good gifts, welcoming all who come as children of the Living God.

C: We seek the God who calls us.

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***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Unison)**

Generous God, just as your Son taught us how to pray, he also taught us how to share with those in need. When a neighbor knocks at our door needing bread, we know how to respond. When people in our community are hungry, we know how to respond. When sisters and brothers around the world are hurting, we know how to respond. Thank you for this opportunity to turn prayer into action. We lift this prayer in the name of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ as we continue to use his words...

***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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRACTICE GOD'S LOVE

***HYMN of PARTING#496**

Sweet Hour of Prayer

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

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Next week we will continue our series "A Disciple's Path" with our week three theme "Presence." What will Pastor Brian have to say?

***PRAYER OF PRAISE (Unison)**

God of all that is and yet shall be, you are father and mother to all your children, giving us good gifts – gifts of life, love, and compassion. Although we often lose our way, you continue to gather us into your arms and feed us with the bread of heaven. Open our hearts and fill us with your Holy Spirit, that we may bring the love of Jesus to a weary and broken world. Amen.

***HYMN of PRAISE (Insert)**

Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire

(Please join in singing *Jesus Loves the Little Children* as the children come forward.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAISE SONG

Love the Lord Your God

UNDERSTAND GOD'S LOVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

"Teach Us to Pray"
Rev. Brian Lucas, Pastor

PASTORAL PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

Come Sunday

Adam Dietz

A PRESENTATION FROM TOMBODU

DISCIPLESHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF OUR LIVES AND OFFERINGS

SPECIAL MUSIC

You Make Beautiful Things

Video

LENTEN PROGRAM

Lent began on March 1st with Ash Wednesday. This year we will be joining up with Trinity Middleburg, Hummel's, St. Paul's, and Zion UMCs for our weekly Lenten programs, most of which will begin with a soup and bread meal. The schedule is as follows:

- Sunday, March 12th: Hummel's UMC, soup at 6:00 with program to follow at 7:00
- Sunday, March 19th: Hummel's UMC, soup at 6:00 with program to follow at 7:00
- Sunday, March 26th: St. Paul's UMC, soup at 6:00 with program to follow at 7:00
- Sunday, April 2nd: Trinity UMC, soup at 6:00 with program to follow at 7:00
- Thursday, April 13th: Paxtonville UMC, Holy Thursday service at 6:00 with soup meal to follow.

LOCAL VIM OPPORTUNITY

Christ U.M.C. in Selinsgrove was destroyed by fire in 2015. They are currently constructing a new building just off 522 in Selinsgrove and have several VIM opportunities. The dates are: March 13 to 17; March 20 to 24; and March 27 to 31. You can go as individuals or as a group, for one day or for an entire week. If you are interested in helping them out, please see PB for more info and for the volunteer registration form.

Our Vision:
ENCOUNTER+UNDERSTAND+PRACTICE
GOD'S LOVE

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE COUNTRY STORE

A few of our church families have a family member who is a resident of The Manor @ Penn Village; and many of us know one certain church member who is a resident there, Sara Seebold. Whether you know Sara or any other resident of a nursing home, you should know how little some of these residents have and how hard it is for them to go shopping for more of what they need. With that in mind, please thoughtfully consider this request from The Manor @ Penn Village: *Donations are needed for the residents' Country Store. The Country Store is set up once a month in the recreation room on the first floor. Residents may redeem the tickets they have won at the various games for items at this store. We are in need of the following items:*

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| • Men's & Women's Deodorant | Pringles Chips |
| • Men's & Women's Body Wash | Hershey Bars |
| • Shampoo | Mouthwash |
| • Cologne, Perfume | Tissues |
| • Soda (all flavors - 16 oz. bottles) | Sugar-free candy |
| • Toothbrushes, toothpaste | Cookies & Crackers |
| • Puzzle Books (Large Print) | Lotion, Body Spray |
| • Reeses Peanut Butter Cups | Small Stuffed Animals |
| • Tastee Cakes, Little Debbie's (Individually wrapped) | |

A few of us here at Paxtonville UMC have decided to help this home with their ongoing need for store supplies. If you feel that you would like to help-out by purchasing/donating a few of these items, you may bring them here to the church, where a collection table for these items will be by the Office Door.

Leta or Amanda will see that they are taken to the Activity Dept. of The Manor @ Penn Village.

Tulips for Easter

A sign-up sheet is on the shelf in the n hallway for tulip plants to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Five colors, red, yellow, purple, orange or pink can be selected. The price is \$7.50 per plant. Orders must be received by **March 15, 2017**. If you wish to give a tulip in honor or memorial for someone, please indicate the name in the space provided on the sheet. Please pay your order to Lyn Levan, treasurer, by Easter.

GARDENING

Spring is rapidly approaching and with it comes the need to care for the landscaping around the church building and front sign. This is a job that requires the help of more than the current one or two people from March through September or October.

In previous years, volunteers were assigned specific sections to maintain throughout the growing season. This year we want to try a different approach. Instead of volunteering to maintain a section for the entire season (although we welcome anyone willing to do this!), we also want volunteers willing to help an hour or so wherever/whenever work is needed.

If you would like to help with landscape maintenance or want more information, please see Lyn or Martha.

LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP

General Fund	\$4,716.00
Sunday School	27.00
Mission Central	50.00
Missions	10.00
HUB	75.00
Eagle Scout Pavilion	40.00
Tombodu Cataract Program	125.00
Building Fund	200.00

ONGOING FAITH WALKERS' FUNDRAISERS

Delicious peanut butter and coconut cream eggs are available in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Cost is \$1 each.

If you ordered soup from the Faith Walkers you should pick it up on Wednesday, the 15th, after 2 p.m. The cost per quart is \$7.

The Indoor Yard Sale for Mid-West Relay For Life will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, March 18th, from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Any items you wish to donate for sale should be placed in the Fellowship Hall no later than Thursday, the 16th. Come out to see what "stuff" the teams have for sale and eat a light lunch while you are here. Hot dogs, barbeque, soups, baked goods and beverages will be available. (Snow date is March 25th.)

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Greeters	Harold & Connie Kratzer
Organist	Pam Perna
Lay Reader	Tommy Rubillo
Sound Room	Greg Hetrick, Bill Burns
Praise Team Singers	Scott & Zach Umstead, Orry Walter

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ...

Linda Howell	Greta Kratzer	Traci Miller
Joshua Snyder	Eli Stem	Terry Forshey

FOR YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, March 12	2 p.m. Confirmation Class Lenten Program @ Hummels 6 p.m. Soup Meal 7 p.m. Program
Monday, March 13	9 a.m. Morning Mocha 7-8:30 p.m. Scouts
Tuesday, March 14	7 p.m. Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, March 15	2 p.m.- Soup Pick-Up 6 p.m. Grab-A-Bite 6:30 p.m. ROCK 7 p.m. Choir Practice
Friday, March 17	All Purpose Room Reserved
Saturday, March 18	8 a.m.- Relay For Life Indoor Yard Sale
Sunday, March 19	8 a.m. Prayer & Communion 9 a.m. Sunday school 10:30 a.m. Worship 2 p.m. Confirmation Class Lenten Program @ Hummels 6 p.m. Soup Meal 7 p.m. Program