

D O N E G A L
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March 18, 2018
Fifth Sunday in Lent



‘No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the Lord,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.’

Jeremiah 31:34 (NRSV)

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Gathering in God’s Name

PRELUDE “Jesu Joy of Man’s Desiring” J. S. Bach
“As the prelude begins, please observe a time of quietness in preparation for worship.”

WELCOME

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/MINUTE FOR MISSION (Joanne Myers)

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from John 12:32)

Jesus said, “When I am lifted up, I will draw all people to myself.”

Blessed be the God of our salvation, who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

*HYMN “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” #478

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (from Ps. 119:10, 15 & Jer. 31:34)

Redeeming God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, and have not loved our neighbors as we ought; we have strayed from your commandments. Do not remember our sins, but forgive our iniquities, that we may fix our eyes on you and sin no more, through Christ our Lord.

(Silent Confession)

In Christ’s name we pray...

Amen.

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

#579

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord and Savior be with you all.

And also with you.

Proclaiming God’s Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON

John 12:20-33

p. 151

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“He Became A Lamb”

Mary Kay Beall

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Children from the ages of 4 through 12 may be dismissed to CWW at this time.

LESSON FROM THE PROPHETS Jeremiah 31:31-34 p. 1116

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Taking the Initiative" Matt Randolph

Responding to God's Word

*HYMN "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" #384

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (traditional "debts") hymnal p. 16

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

*Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.*

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS,

OFFERTORY "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" Wilbur Held

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION #592

Sending in God's Name

*HYMN "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" Insert

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE "Choral Amen"

*POSTLUDE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
Johann Gottfried Walther

**All those who are able may stand.*

Reflection for the Christian Life

God is at work offering forgiveness, showing mercy, and giving knowledge of life, death, and salvation. Where is God enacting that new life within or around you? What in your life must die so that you may flourish? What must fall away so that you can rise again in Christ?

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WE WELCOME VISITORS TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE THIS MORNING AND INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AGAIN!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Hurricane Victims	Refugees of Iraq & Syria	Rose Hershey
Joan & Don Betty	Family of Amanda Brandt	Amato Family
Trudy Dinardo	Steven Elkner	Tom Grosh
Debbie Ronning	Gloria Straub	Ann Gecelesky
Cindy Marsh	Jenna Randolph David	Julian Family
Randy & Kay Judson		

Additions to the Prayer List will remain for 60 days, unless they are removed earlier by the person who added them. Individuals with concerns may be renewed on the list by contacting the church office.

OUR MISSION

*Faith witnessed, faith celebrated,
faith to embrace the future,
so that all may be whole and fully alive in Christ.*

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*We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.*

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USHERS: Melody Nissley & Leo Balzeret
NURSERY: Open 9:00 a.m. & Open 11:15 a.m.
FLOWERS: Elkner Family
ARTWORK: Nancy Landis

Thanks to Dr. Ross Ellison for providing us with today's music.

Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall after worship for a **TIME of FELLOWSHIP**. The refreshments for today are provided by the Wills and Elkner Families.

The Hospitality Team is asking for donations to cover the coffee we use each Sunday. The coffee is part of the Presbyterian Coffee Project. What we donate during Lent supports purchasing coffee the year through.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH:

- Gift Card & The Ultimate Cloth® sales during Fellowship Time.
- April Newsletter Deadline is today, March 18. All interesting and informational articles can be placed in the secretary's mailbox in the Communication Center or church office or you may e-mail it.

- Lenten Series continues tonight. See announcement.
- Donegal Men will meet Wednesday for breakfast, fellowship and prayer, at Gus's Keystone Restaurant. In by 7:00, out by 8:00.
- Choir Rehearsal, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH:

- One Worship Service for the Cantata, next Sunday, March 25 (Palm Sunday), 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.
- Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, March 29, 7:30 p.m. with Communion.
- Easter Sunrise Vigil, Sunday, April 1, 6:30 a.m. The Sunrise Vigil will be a time attentive to the movement of light, to contemplate God's saving work in the world, and remember the claim that God has on each one of our lives through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Breakfast will be served in Fellowship Hall following this service.
- Resurrection Egg Hunt, Sunday, April 1, between the worship services.
- Food Collection Day is Sunday, April 1. Help a hungry neighbor by bringing a generous offering of any of the following foods/items: soups, 100% fruit juice, jello/pudding/canned fruit/apple sauce, hamburger or tuna helper, spaghetti noodles or sauce, peanut butter or jelly, pancake mix or syrup, bisquick, twin or double bed size blankets, gloves/hats/scarves. (No clothing please.) *(Place your items on the shelf provided by the entrance of the BDC. Best if your items are in bags or boxes.)* Thanks for your continued support!
- One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be received Sunday, April 1.

PURSE BINGO TIME AGAIN! DPC is hosting our second Designer Purse Bingo on Friday, April 6, 2018. The event starts at 6:30 p.m. but doors open at 5:30. Purses are available for preview downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Once again you have an opportunity to make this event extra successful by sponsoring the purses to be won. To sponsor a purse, fill out the form attached to the purse you like and put the "sponsored" sign on the purse. Make checks payable to DPC. See Carla Douple or email her at CarlaDouple98@gmail.com with questions.

Apr/May/June issue of **THESE DAYS** is available in the Narthex. The Deacons would appreciate a donation of \$2.00 for this service.

BIRTHDAYS: Please remember the following members of the Donegal Family with a card, phone call, and particularly in your prayers on their birthdays:

March 21 – John Landis
March 19 – Carla Douple March 22 – Piper Landis
March 20 – Richard Koetzle March 23 – Berlin Smith
March 20 – Paula Leicht March 24 – J. T. Bourassa

STEWARDSHIP

02/25/18 Offering: \$ 5,003 (\$605 CC)	Attendance 91
03/04/18 Offering: \$10,269 (\$3000 CC/Spaghetti \$1310)	Attendance 103
03/11/18 Offering: \$ 5,672 (\$820 CC)	Attendance 107

Capital Campaign Goal: \$125,000.00

Capital Campaign Pledged-to-Date: \$83,184

Capital Campaign Pledges Received-to-Date + Fundraisers: \$104,647

2018 Per Capita Expense: \$7,095.12 (\$34.78 per member)

2018 Per Capita Income Y-T-D: \$2,586.52

SERMON NOTES



Join us on Sunday evenings for our
2018 Lenten Program!

**“An Exploration of Other
 Faiths & Traditions”**

Join us on the six Sunday evenings of the Lenten Season we
 host a variety of clerics and explore faith traditions very
 different from our own.

The series schedule includes:

- February 18 - **Mr. Mukaram Syed**, a founding member and trustee of the *Islamic Community Center of Lancaster*
- February 25 - **Father Joseph Huneycutt**, Vice-Chairman of the Department of Missions and Evangelism for the *Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America*
- March 4 - **Rabbi Ron Muroff**, rabbi of the *Chisuk Emuna Congregation (Conservative Judaism)* in Harrisburg, PA
- March 11 - **Father Youssef Chehata**, priest of *St. Anthony Coptic Orthodox Church* in Annville, PA
- March 18 - **Father Alexander Veronis**, former pastor of the *Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church* in Lancaster, PA
- March 25 - **Rev. Bryan McAllister**, pastor of *Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church*, in Marietta, PA

A potluck dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Presentations/Q&A will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS WONDERFUL
 OPPORTUNITY FOR EXPLORATION AND DIALOGUE.



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<u>CLASS 2018</u>	<u>CLASS 2019</u>	<u>CLASS 2020</u>
	SESSION	
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	DEACONS	
Linda Bayer	Judy Kay Bard	Cole Bourassa
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		Melody Nissley

STEPHEN LEADERS	
Melody Nissley	Linda Bayer

STEPHEN MINISTERS	
Judy Kay Bard	Judy Weidman

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
Kristi Elkner – Moderator

CHOIR MEMBERS			
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