



'Father, I have
sinned against
heaven and
before you. I am
no longer worthy
to be called your
son.'
Luke 15:21

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Fourth Sunday in Lent
Mar. 27, 2022



UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

April 3 – Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 10 – Palm Sunday

April 14 – Maundy Thursday

April 15 – Good Friday

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Assistant Minister / Communion Assistant – June Kreider

Crucifer –

Acolyte –

Lector – Mason Tippet

Ushers – Bill & Rose Bennett

Musician – Dcn. Arica Demme

Altar Guild – June Kreider

Sound Technician – Terry Miller

Offering Counters – Lee Mills

John Null

Livestream – Ray Kneisley

Kris Brill

March 20, 2022

ATTENDANCE - 55

“CRY ROOM AVAILABILITY”

For parents with children younger than one year, there is a “Cry Room” near the front entrance if you would need to use that during the worship service.

Please maintain silence for meditation as soon as the candles are lit until the beginning of the service.

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

The assembly stands (if able)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Matthew 28:19b;[18:20]

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our Sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[Hebrews 10:22]

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord, unto us all.

Mark 16:16; John 1:12

C: Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN

What Wondrous Love Is This

G Dm C Am C Dm F Em Dm

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
 2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When
 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And

Am Am7 F Em Dm Dm7 G Am Am7 Dm G

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this That
 I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, When I was sink-ing down Be-
 God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, Who
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm free, I'll

Am Bbmaj7 C Dm G Dm C F Em

caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my
 neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a-side his crown for my
 is the great I Am, While mil-lions join the theme, I will
 sing his love for me, And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing

Dm G Em Dm Am Am7 F Em Dm

soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
 soul, for my soul, Christ laid a-side his crown for my soul.
 sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
 on, I'll sing on; And through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

Text: American folk hymn, alt.
 Tune: W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

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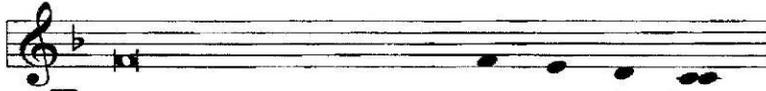
GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

Mark 10:47



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray | to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray | to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray | to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us | gracious Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we, who for our evil deeds worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of your grace, may mercifully be relieved; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

The Word of God

The First Reading is from the 12th chapter of Isaiah.

First Reading: Isaiah 12:1-6

¹You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. ²"Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation."
³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵"Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. ⁶Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Brief silence for reflection.

The Psalm is read responsively.

Psalm 32

¹ Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.
² **Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**
³ For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
⁴ **For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**
⁵ I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.
⁶ **Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.**

⁷You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸**I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

⁹Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.

¹⁰**Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Brief silence for reflection.

The Second Reading is from the 5th chapter of 2 Corinthians.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Brief silence for reflection.

The assembly stands (if able) to welcome the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

These things are writ-ten that you may be-lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God. John 20:31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

¹The tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear {Jesus}. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable:

¹¹... "There was a man who had two sons. ¹²And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. ¹³Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. ¹⁴And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷"But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants."' ²⁰And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. ²¹And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. ²³And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. ²⁴For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate. ²⁵Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' ²⁸But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, ²⁹but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened

calf for him!' ³¹And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The assembly stands (if able).

HYMN OF THE DAY

Just as I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me,
2 Just as I am, and wait - ing not To rid my soul of one dark blot,
3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a con - flict, man - y a doubt,
4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es, heal - ing of the mind,

And that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
To thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
Fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
Yea, all I need, in thee to find,

5 Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; thy love unknown
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the
virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all
people according to their needs.

A brief silence.

Each portion of the prayers ends with these or similar words:

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in
your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

SHARING OF THE PEACE – *Stand in place and greet at a distance*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3

C: And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -

tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

[Colossians 3:1]

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

[Psalm 136]

P: It is indeed right and salutary we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. **C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

**C: 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

AGNUS DEI



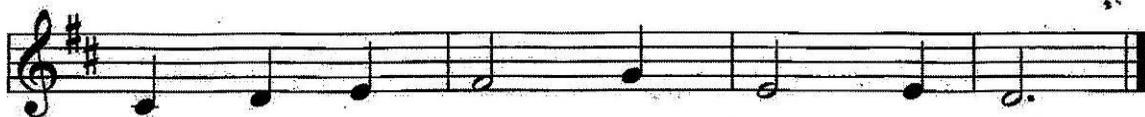
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine.

HOW WE COMMUNE: When you come forward the pastor will first give you bread to eat. Then, take a cup from the tray. The assistant will pour in wine to drink. Afterward, you will place the empty cup in the water in the plastic container at the side aisle, and return to your seat.

If you are unable to consume wine, you may commune with only the bread. Unbaptized and those who have yet to receive first communion may come forward to receive a blessing. Signify by holding your hands to your chest instead of reaching out for the bread and wine.

The assembly stands (if able) when everyone has received the sacrament.

BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. C: Amen

NUNC DIMITTIS

Luke 2:29-32



The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of a series of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are printed below the staff, with some words hyphenated across lines. A common time signature 'C' is placed at the beginning of the first line of lyrics.

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, we thank you for feeding us with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood – that which strengthens us in faith and assures us of new life now and in eternity. As we wait and watch for the return of the Messiah in these last days, continue to feed us with the life-giving bread and the cup of salvation.

C: Amen

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

[Psalm 103:1]

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26*

C: Amen

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me stand;
 2 When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near,
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws near

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 When my life is al - most gone,
 And the day is al - most gone,

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light.
 Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I fall.
 At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand,

Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.
 Take my hand, pre - cious Lord; lead me home.

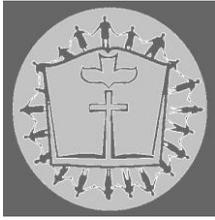
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Is. 42:6; John 10:1–3, 27–28; Ps. 121:8

AROUND THE WORD DEVOTIONS



Around the Word publishes a weekly devotion with daily meditations. These devotions include a Psalm, Verse, Prayer, and Hymn of the Week, as well as the order of devotion from the Small Catechism. You can download the most recent devotion by going to our website (www.reformation-nalc.org) and clicking on the link, or sign-up to receive these devotions by email.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements for the bulletin about upcoming events should be emailed to rose.a.keller@gmail.com **AND** pastor@reformation-nalc.org or you can call Rosemary Keller Keller (717-333-1448) or Pastor Mark (717-947-4284) no later than **Sunday** by 6:00 pm. The events will then be added to the bulletin. It is always helpful to let us know how long you want the announcement to run. See Rosemary Keller with any questions.



STEWARDSHIP



Offering plates are not passed during the service, they are located on a table in the back of the nave. You may also mail checks to Sandy Tippett, 3377 Horizon Drive, Lancaster PA 17603.

COFFEE TIME

Enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship after worship and before Sunday school. If you would like to sign-up for a Sunday to host Coffee Time, it's as simple as bringing store bought snacks, If you like to bake, homemade goodies are always welcome! If you have any questions about Coffee Time, see Joan Hollinger or Rose Bennett for the details. See you at Coffee Time!



WORSHIP AND MUSIC BUILDING FUND FUNDRAISER

Once again, Worship & Music will be having their building fund fundraiser by having a flower sponsorship in honor or memory of loved ones. Cost for each plant will be \$15.00. See insert for sponsorship form to be filled out and given to Rosemary Keller or June Kreider. Deadline to hand in form and money is **TODAY!** Any questions, see June Kreider.



Mission District Annual Convocation

Our Central Mission District Annual Convocation will be Saturday April 30 at Vinemont Community LC in Reinholds, PA from 8:30-12:30 pm. Pr. Mark and Lee Mills will be attending as delegates. Lee will make a presentation on our Atlantic Mission Region Renewal and Discipleship Ministry Team. Pr. Brad Hales will make a presentation on Revitalizing the Small and Rural Church. If you are interested in attending the Convocation and riding with Pr. Mark and Lee, let them know.

Vacation Bible School

VBS

The Christian Education Committee is working on planning a VBS this year at Reformation, but we need your help to make it happen! It will be held every Wednesday evening in July (6th, 13th, 20th, 27th) from 6-8pm. We will be holding a meeting in April to finalize the theme, but we are looking for volunteers to help during these evenings in July. If you are able to help at any or all of these dates please speak to Pastor Mark, Melissa, Crystal or Judi. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Bible2School is a program that provides free elective Bible classes to elementary school children attending public school during the school day. The children walk or are bused to a nearby church or partner location where trained volunteers engage the children in lively worship and Bible stories. Children and volunteers discuss how they can apply the Bible lessons in their lives and pray together.



Our mission is to teach the Bible to children attending public school and inspire hope, showing them their unique value in Christ, and to equip communities across the nation to do the same.

Our vision is that every public school in our nation would have a dynamic Bible program taught during their school day as allowed by national released time court rulings.

Many hands go into making Bible2School possible! People of all ages help prepare materials, like crafts, sew costumes, or prepare our Bibles with labels. We're looking forward to sharing the work God is doing through Bible2School on March 27 and ways you can make an impact!

Stephanie Smith, operations manager for B2S will make a presentation **TODAY** during Fellowship hour.

WOMEN OF THE ATLANTIC MISSION REGION RETREAT

You are invited to a weekend get-away retreat with the Bible study "Beautiful Feet". 6 PM on Friday, May 6 – noon on Sunday, May 8, 2022 at Twin Pines Camp & Retreat Center (3000 Twin Pines Camp Rd., Stroudsburg, PA 18360). Cost - \$175 for a double room, \$200 for a single room. All meals & linens/towels are included! Pre-registration forms are available on the table in the back.

The logo for "Beautiful Feet" features the words "Beautiful" and "Feet" in a blue, cursive font, with a small illustration of a foot to the right of the word "Feet".

SOCIAL MINISTRY EVENTS



The Social Ministry Committee will be accepting monetary donations to purchase Easter Baskets for our homebound members. We also will do our Community Outreach Easter Family Food Boxes for ten families, as we have done the past two years. Both projects are very much appreciated by those who receive them.

Monetary Donations to support these two projects will be accepted the weeks of 3/13, 3/20, and 3/27.

There will be baskets on the table at the back of the church for donations. Also, you may put donations in the offering plate, or send to Sandy Tippett. Please identify your donations for these projects. We will be putting baskets together for the homebound downstairs after worship on Palm Sunday. The Family Food Boxes will be delivered on Palm Sunday after worship. We thank the congregation for their support of these much appreciated projects.

In addition to the baskets, we are asking members to send Easter Cards to our homebound. Their names are listed below. Addresses can be found in the Church Directory except for Sonya LaGamba. Thanks.

Pastor Luke Seamon
Debbie Binder
Clair Crist
Earl and Janet Harry
Donna Hildebeitel
Pauline Houck
Elizabeth Larsen
Sonya LaGamba Room 138 Legend of Lancaster
31 Millersville Road, Lancaster, PA. 17603

Any questions please see Bob Thomas or a member of Social Ministry Committee.

Wednesday Morning Prayer Room

During Lent participate in the discipline of prayer by gathering on your electronic device in GoToMeeting's "Prayer Room" for a ½ hour of focused prayer. Each Wednesday log in just before 8:30 a.m. using the GoToMeeting link. The link is the same each week however it will also be sent out a ½ hour before.



To gather in the Prayer Room on your computer, tablet or smartphone use the following link: <https://meet.goto.com/406666661>
You may prefer to dial in using your phone if you are away from a computer network. Dial United States: +1 (646) 749-3122. **Enter Access Code:** 406-666-661.

More details are found in the email reminder sent out ½ hour before each session. If you have questions please contact Judy Mills at jmills.email@comcast.net.

LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch will be held April 12 at 10:30 in the fellowship hall. We will have lunch at Isaacs at 11:30.

Discipleship Opportunity!! Choir for Easter Sunday



There has been some interest expressed in forming a choir to sing one anthem and possibly a choral benediction on Easter Sunday (Apr. 17, 2022). We would need more people than have currently expressed interest to make this a reasonably well-balanced group with a viable chance of enhancing the Easter Sunday service. All voice parts are welcome, particularly sopranos and altos! The commitment would involve attendance at two brief (30-45 minute) rehearsals and early arrival on Easter Sunday to warm-up and have the final rehearsal before the service. Rehearsals would be at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, Apr. 6 and Wednesday, Apr. 13 here at Reformation. If you are interested in serving in an Easter Sunday choir, please contact Ivan Wittel at 717-394-4707 or iwittel@comcast.net to indicate your willingness to participate.

PASTOR MARK VACATION

Pr. Mark will be on vacation beginning this afternoon through the evening of April 2nd. In case of a pastoral emergency, contact Dcn. Arica at 978-689-5301 or aricademme@gmail.com.

Highlights from the Council meeting on 3/12/22:

1. **Financial Report** - February expenses exceeded general offering this month. This is due to 3 major expenses that hit in February. Christian Education for the 2nd booklet for the Divine Drama Bible Study, payments for our Outreach programs (Atlantic Mission Region and Faith Friendship Ministries) and Supply Pastor costs. Some of the Divine Drama expenses will be reimbursed as participants are able to purchase their booklet for \$22.
2. **Small Rural Church Online Ministry Course** - Pr. Brad Hales and the NALC renewal team is doing a Small Rural Church course available via Zoom on the third Thursdays of March, April, May and June from 7-8:30pm. Pr. Hales has a great track record of renewing congregations and Pr. Mark will be sending out information to the congregation. He highly recommends this course as he always is learning from Pr. Hales.
3. **Community Breakfast** - RLC will be working on having a community breakfast on a Saturday in May as a way to reach out to the community and provide an opportunity for us to talk to our neighbors about our ministries at Reformation Lutheran Church. We are encouraging as many members of our congregation to attend. More information on the date how you can help will be sent out soon.
4. **Spring Congregational Meeting** - Our annual meeting will be Sunday May 22nd immediately after service. Committees are already working on end of year reports for this meeting and we will be voting on our new Council at this meeting. We have one council member coming off and hopefully two members joining.



REFORMATION APRIL CELEBRATIONS

April Birthdays

Ed Gryzbicki	April 1
Silvija Seamon	April 2
Luke Zook	April 6
Janet Harry	April 9
Kris Brill	April 10
Elizabeth Larsen	April 14
Jean Houck	April 15
Deb Winkleman	April 17
John Wohlberg	April 19
Henry (Hank) Ober	April 25
Emma Seamon	April 25



April Anniversaries

Terry and Kathy Miller	April 10
Ed and Sonya Zook	April 16
Kris and John Brill	April 17

April Baptisms

Pierce Bianco 4/5/2015



CORE VALUES OF THE NALC

Christ-Centered

We confess the apostolic faith in Jesus Christ according to the Holy Scriptures. We affirm the authority of the Scriptures as the authoritative source and norm, “according to which all doctrines should and must be judged” (Formula of Concord). We accept the ecumenical creeds and the Lutheran Confessions as true witnesses to the Word of God.

Mission-Driven

We believe that the mission of the Church is to preach the Gospel and to make disciples for Christ. We believe that making disciples — in our congregations, in our communities and nations, and around the world — must be a priority of the Church in the present age.

Traditionally-Grounded

We affirm the ecumenical creeds and the faithful witness of the Church across time and space. We endorse the form and practices of the universal Church that are consistent with Scripture, particularly the office of the ministry and the tradition of worship under Word and Sacrament. We seek dialogue and fellowship with other Lutheran churches and with faithful Christians of other confessions.

Congregationally-Focused

We strive to be a church body that is organized to facilitate the ministries of local congregations in a posture of servanthood and a spirit of partnership, through the provision of resources, connections and information.



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