# Service for the Lord's Day

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. -Psalm 126:5-6

# **GATHERING**

#### WELCOME AND NEWS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**PRELUDE** "There is a Fountain" Traditional American/Hustad

INTROIT "The Cross Was His Own" Dengler

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As people formed by God, we give praise to God.

People: Dry ground in the sea, rivers in the desert, Christ among us—God is doing a new thing!

Leader: If we ask God to restore us to the way we have been,

People: Then we have not asked for as much as God intends to give.

Leader: God is not content simply to restore us to former things,

People: Instead, God seeks to give the gift of resurrection—a new and abundant life.

Leader: Dry ground in the sea, rivers in the desert, Christ among us—God is doing a new thing!

People: We are God's people, formed, restored, pressing on and giving praise to God. Dry ground in the sea, rivers in the desert, Christ among us—God is doing a new thing!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE # 321 "At the Name of Jesus"

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

As we offer our prayers of confession, remember that God chooses to forget about our past, forgiving us so that we may embrace the new life and new hope offered to us in grace. Let us confess our sin, both individually and corporately, using the words in the bulletin, and then make our personal confessions silently to God.

#### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Like Judas, Precious God, we like to complain about your generous ways, rather than living in your grace. The poor <u>are</u> always with us, which makes us think we can justify ignoring them. In our memories, we see a romanticized perfect past, and so we close our eyes to the new things you do in our midst. We are so smitten with our achievements that we are not willing to throw them away in order to follow Jesus. Forgive us again, Restoring God, and help us to notice your kingdom springing forth around us. May our fears turn to faith, our seeds of grief produce a brand new crop of joy, and our tears become a waterfall of tenderness as we journey with Jesus Christ, to Jerusalem. (A time of silence for personal confession and prayer)

Leader: Making a way through all our foolishness and mistakes, God leads us into new life, where we are restored to grace, to hope, and to peace. In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Now we notice what God has done for us, and what God is doing in us. This is good news for everyone.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 734

Gloria Patri

# **HEARING THE WORD**

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Loving God, may your sacred Word pour out until its fragrance fills this house and our lives. Teach us something new and wonderful today. Amen.

#### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 43:16-21 Pew Bible page 822

Leader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God!

**ANTHEM** 

"Behold the Lamb" Rambo/Curry

Behold the lamb, behold the lamb, slain from the foundation of the world. For sinners crucified, O holy sacrifice,

behold the lamb of

God, behold the lamb. Crown Him, crown Him, Worthy is the lamb. Praise Him, Praise Him,

heav'n and earth resign.
Behold the lamb,

behold the lamb, slain from the foundation of the world. He lived and died for sinners crucified, O holy sacrifice, behold the lamb of God.

Behold the lamb of God.

Behold the lamb of God. Behold the lamb.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:1-6 Pew Bible page 129

Leader: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

**SERMON** 

"Immense Extravagance"

Rev. Candice L. Klein

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH -

"The church responds to the message of reconciliation in praise and prayer. Adoration of God is acknowledgment of the Creator by the creation. Confession of sin is admission of every person's guilt before God and of their need for God's forgiveness. Thanksgiving is rejoicing in God's goodness to all people and in giving for the needs of others. The arts, especially music and architecture, contribute to the praise and prayer of a Christian congregation when they help people to look beyond themselves to God and to the world which is the object of God's love." This we believe. Amen.

OFFERTORY

"The Gift of Love"

Hopson/Carter

OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

# \*PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN #284

"O Sacred Head. Now Wounded"

# CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer Following Communion

God of Always, we thank you for your invitation to this, your Table. We thank you for receiving us as members of the body of Christ, and for affirming us as a community of faith. Lead us out from this place to live as faithful and dedicated disciples into a world in great need of your message. Teach us your ways, and help us to follow you

with joy! Then guide us to serve each precious one who crosses paths with us. Amen.

#### **SENDING**

\*HYMN #702

"We Come as Guests Invited"

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Blessing" Dengler/Dengler Walk in the light of Jesus, piercing the darkness of the night. Follow the radiant morning star that shines so clear and bright. Walk in the light of Jesus; giving you hope to travel on, Shedding its rays upon the path that leads you to the dawn. Walk in the light. Walk in the light. Amen. Amen

**POSTLUDE** 

"O, When Shall I See Jesus"

Hustad

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

HOME: Frances Massey; Julia Tyree MacFarland; Brim Stone

KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS: Ned Douglass; Maggie Gillogly; Carter

MacFarland; Julia MacFarland; Harry Marsh

NHC Gallatin: Joe Blackshear

THE HEARTH: Anna Gasser; Norma Jones,; Ann Cowan

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**PLEASE SIGN** the "Attendance Register" so that we may have a record of your presence with us.

**SERVING AT WORSHIP:** Head Usher: Laura Duffer; Liturgist: Linda Boze; Nursery: Dianne Cothran and Peggy Patterson

**THE FLOWERS** this morning are dedicated to the glory of God and given in honor of Madison Briggs 13th Birthday, Love Grammy.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT TOGETHER DINNERS:** Dinner will be served at 5:30 and the cost is \$8. Please see your insert for the menu and reservation form. Reservations are required. The deadline to turn in your reservations is Monday by noon.

**LENTEN STUDY:** Our Lenten study continues, "Thank God It's Thursday: Encountering Jesus at the Lord's Table As If for the Last Time" by William H. Willimon, will begin following dinner on Wednesday evening.

**SUNDAY APRIL 14TH:** "The Body of Christ" will be presented by the Chancel Choir at 3:00pm. Please come and be renewed by the beautiful music and message that this afternoon will bring.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** We will once again be offering Easter flowers for dedication. An order form is inserted in this bulletin. Please include your check made out to the church. Deadline to order Easter flowers is today.

**GROCERY CARTS:** The month of March we are collecting for **Gallatin CARES**: Tuna, ramen noodles, dried beans, cereal bars, oatmeal packages

**HomeSafe**: Cleaning products, laundry detergent, toilet paper, paper towels, bathroom cleaner

Please bring your items and put them in the grocery carts in the downstairs lobby.

**NEWSLETTER**: Copies of the April In Touch are available outside the church office.

#### SESSION

Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
Robert Blakey	Chuck Deck	Jennifer Anderson
Carrie Mabrey	Sharon Sides	Liz Ferrell
Kenneth Thomson	Bill Hamby	Ann Thurman
Bob Young		

# CHURCH CALENDAR

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: MON.-THURS. 9:30-4:30 FRI. 9:30-1:00

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

9:00am Sunday School 10:00 Worship

MONDAY, APRIL 8

10:30am Meals on Wheels

6:30pm Circle 3

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

9:00am Upper Room10:30am Meals on Wheels6:30pm Cub Scouts

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

4:00pm The Foundation5:30 WNT Dinner7:00 Choir Rehearsal

7:30 Concert Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

10:30am Meals on Wheels

5:30pm Worship Committee Meeting

6:30 Boy Scouts

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

10:30am Meals on Wheels

1:00pm Church Office Closes

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

11:00am Choir Rehearsal

#### CHURCH STAFF

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# 5th Sunday in Lent

APRIL 7, 2019 - 10:00 A.M.