



Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 2025 10:30 a.m.

# Welcome!

- *We invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary. If your child needs a break away from the Sanctuary, feel free to use Room 3 of the Education Wing.*
- *Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth (rear of sanctuary).*
- *Greeting you today are Charlie & Sue Appleby, Joann Fissel, and Gail Mark.*

*Don Potter and David Binkley present this morning's flowers in honor and memory of loved ones.*

*The cover art, "Who Do You Say That I Am?" by Lauren Wright Pittman, is from A Sanctified Art's "Wandering Heart" series.*

*Worship begins with the first note of the prelude – may we silence our voices and open our hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.*

Prelude

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*  
The Handbell Choir

Kevin McChesney

Welcome

\*Call to Worship

The Rev. Don Potter

L: If you ask the sky who God is,

**P: The sky will tell you of God's reach.**

L: If you ask the day who God is,

**P: The sun will tell you of God's warmth.**

L: If you ask the night who God is,

**P: The moon will tell you of God's comfort.**

L: "The heavens are telling the glory of God." Are you listening?

**P: We are listening! We will sing of God's glory.**

L: Let us worship Holy God.

\*Hymn 213

*In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

\*Call to Confession

In our scripture for today, Jesus asks the disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter said, "You are the Messiah." Have you ever wondered if his voice faltered when he answered? Did he respond loudly and with confidence, or with a tentative whisper?

*\*Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

We'll never know. The text doesn't provide those details. But we can trust that, no matter how we speak to God, when we speak, God is listening. Friends, join me in the Prayer of Confession. May we speak the words with conviction; may we trust that our gracious and merciful God is listening with love. Let us pray together.

\*Prayer of Confession

Holy God, some days, we are quick to declare your goodness. Like Peter, we see you in our midst and we are confident in our faith. Other days, we are distracted and uncertain, desperate for answers. Forgive us for losing sight of you. Some days we are quick to trust your blessings – trusting that we are called, that we can make a difference. Other days, our praise falls silent and doubt creeps in. Forgive us for losing sight of ourselves. We know that fear and doubt are part of the journey of faith. But for the days when we are far from you and far from ourselves, we ask for your tender grace. Pull us closer toward you. Remind us of our rock-solid moments of faith. Amen.

\*Kyrie Eleison (Hymn 578)

*Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son; Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son; Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son; Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.  
Chri-ste e-le-i-son; Chri-ste e-le-i-son; Chri-ste e-le-i-son; Chri-ste e-le-i-son.*

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, whether you speak to God in a whisper or with clear conviction, with questions or with answers, with hope in your heart or with doubt in your throat – God will always listen with love and mercy. So rest in this good news: Regardless of how loudly you live your faith, you belong to God. You are loved. You are claimed. You are forgiven. Speak that good news with confidence. Amen.

\*Congregational Response (Hymn 215, v.1)

*What Wondrous Love Is This?  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the heavy cross for my soul, for my soul  
To bear the heavy cross for my soul!*

First Scripture Reading (OT, p.498)

Psalm 19

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

*Jesus Died on Calvary's Mountain*  
The Chancel Choir

American Spiritual  
arr. K. Lee Scott

Second Scripture Reading (NT, p.18)

Matthew 16:13-20

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Wandering Heart: Praise the Mount of God's Unchanging Love"

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

\*Affirmation of Faith

L: Jesus asked the disciples, "But what about you? Who do you say that I am?"  
Church, what do you say?

P: **Jesus is a hand reaching out in the storm, the voice of truth spoken over us, and love without walls. Jesus is justice for the weary, healing for the hurt, and welcome for the stranger. Jesus is teacher, Messiah, and friend – with me on the mountain and beside me in the valley. Jesus is a star in the night, and the love that knows my name.**

L: Jesus asked, "Who do you say that I am?"

P: **Like Peter, we say, "Jesus, you are the Messiah, son of the Living God."**

\*Hymn (insert)

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Near the Cross*  
The Handbell Choir

Kevin McChesney

\*Lenten Doxology (Hymn 223, v.4)

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross  
Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine;  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

\*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious and holy God, accept what we offer today: our monetary gifts, our faltering steps, our brokenness, our leftovers, our hope, our risking, our lives. Bless and transform all that we offer and all that we hold back, that new life may be ours, to celebrate and share in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People/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.**

\*Hymn 215

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

\*Extinguishing the Lenten Candle

Postlude

*Higher Ground*

Charles Gabriel  
arr. Carol McMillen

## IT'S HAPPENING AT CHPC

- Today, please enjoy the art created by our preschoolers, which is on display in the Gathering Place and Fellowship Hall. The **CHPC Preschool Annual Art Show** is being held for students' families on Monday and Tuesday.
- Honor loved ones with a **dedication in the Easter bulletin**. Purchase an Easter lily or make a donation to One Great Hour of Sharing. An order form is enclosed in today's bulletin. **Flower orders are due Wednesday, April 2; OGHs dedications are due Friday, April 11.**
- Support Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland and Perry Counties with a purchase of Mother's Day flowers. **DVSCP is selling 6-inch pots of mixed annual blooming flowers, and orders are due by Friday, April 4.** A signup sheet is in the Gathering Place. The cost is \$16 per pot, and flowers will be delivered to CHPC on Thursday, May 8. See Bobbie Kitzmiller or call the church office for more information.

## CHPC WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, March 24

- 10 a.m. — Staff Meeting; Pastor's Study
- 12:05 p.m. — Children's Church; Sanctuary
- 1 p.m. — Quilters & Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room
- 5:30 p.m. — Preschool Art Show; Gathering Place and Fellowship Hall
- 7 p.m. — Session Meeting; Blue Room and via Zoom

### Tuesday, March 25

- 5:30 p.m. — Preschool Art Show; Gathering Place and Fellowship Hall
- 6 p.m. — A.A. Big Book Study; Reception Room
- 6:30 p.m. — "Christian Doctrine" Winter Book Study; Blue Room

### Wednesday, March 26

- 10 a.m. — Prayer Fellowship; Fellowship Hall
- 6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal; Music Room
- 7 p.m. — Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

### Sunday, March 30

- 8:30 a.m. — ARISE Family Service; Sanctuary
- 9 a.m. — Exegesis Adult Sunday School Class; Blue Room
- 9 a.m. — Men's Bible Study; Green Room
- 9:45 a.m. — Choir Practice; Music Room
- 10:30 a.m. — Worship Service; Sanctuary
- 11:45 — Brass Choir Rehearsal; Sanctuary

# CHPC LEADERSHIP

*Our leadership structure exists to create ministry opportunities for congregants to share the gifts endowed upon them by the Holy Spirit.*

## CHURCH ADMINISTRATION MINISTRY

Elder Dave Getz, Chair; Elder David Watts, Treasurer;  
Elder Joe Harner, Clerk of Session

### **Staff Commission**

Elder John Robinson, Chair

### **Property & Maintenance Commission**

Elder Carol Helsel, Chair; Elder Bryan Kostukovich

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Elder Jeff Heiss, Chair

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Elder John Groff, Chair

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Elder Abby Tierney, Chair

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### **Kirk Families Team**

Elder Nancy Nilson, Chair

### **Congregational Care Team**

The Rev. Nancy Conklin, Chair; Deacon Moderator Chris Forbrich;  
Deacon Susan Ault; Deacon Rob Brown; Deacon Vonny Getz; Deacon Peggy Heiss;  
Deacon Lisa Love; Deacon Anne Gray Sarvis; Deacon Carol Staz;  
Deacon Cindy Thompson

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Elder E.J. Barben, Chair; Deacon Susan Ault; Deacon Sandy Bogden;  
Deacon Molly McBride; Deacon Cathy Snavely; Deacon Carol Staz

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Elder Jeff Thompson, Chair

### **Membership Team**

Elder Monica Zazworsky, Chair; Elder Sue Rothman; Deacon Vonny Getz;  
Deacon Ann Kalata; Deacon Susan Steele; Deacon Josh Wiedt



## STATEMENT OF WELCOME & INCLUSION

As followers of Jesus, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We are committed to creating an inclusive space of belonging and safety. Therefore, this community of faith welcomes into full participation, membership, and leadership persons of diverse age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, level of education, class, and income.

Rooted in the Reformed tradition, we affirm that “God alone is Lord of the conscience,” allowing for a breadth of diverse theological and biblical interpretations. We covenant to accept, respect, and love one another as we apply our faith in the circumstances of our lives and in the matters of our world.

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