



Sunday, March 6, 2022

The First Sunday in Lent / The Lord's Day

Organ Prelude

"Nearer" Medley
-Janelle A. Clark

Pat Shroff

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:10-12 Tim Valentino/Shelley Miller

- ¹⁰ All your works praise you, Lord;
your faithful people extol you.
¹¹ They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
¹² so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Hymn 14

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Congregation

Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Tim Valentino

Organist	Pat Shroff	Hospital Visitor This Week:	Marlin Bohannon
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Children's Church	Lori and Jen Danielson
Flutist	Shirley Long	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Trumpeter, Pianist	Sonya Valentino	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Hymn Leader, Vocalist	Maureen Logan	Intern Youth Minister	Xavier Easy
Lector	Rev. Tim Valentino	Visitation Minister	Patricia Strain
Responder	Shelley Miller	Lead Pastor	Rev. Tim Valentino

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 14

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays,
3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,
4. Mor - tals join the might - y cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean - depth of hap - py rest!
Fa - ther love is reign - ing o'er us, Broth - er love binds man to man.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— All who live in love are Thine;
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife;

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day!
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee.
Teach us how to love each oth - er, Lift us to the joy di - vine.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life. A - men.

WORDS: Henry van Dyke, 1907
MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824

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HYMN TO JOY
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Scripture Reading

The Old Testament Lesson Deuteronomy 26:1-11

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¹ When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, ² take some of the firstfruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name ³ and say to the priest in office at the time, “I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.” ⁴ The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the Lord your God. ⁵ Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: “My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. ⁶ But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labor. ⁷ Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. ⁸ So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. ⁹ He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; ¹⁰ and now I bring the firstfruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me.” Place the basket before the Lord your God and bow down before him. ¹¹ Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given to you and your household.

The Response

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Tim Valentino/ Shelley Miller

¹ Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

² **I will say of the LORD, “He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust.”**

⁹ If you say, “The LORD is my refuge,”
and you make the Most High your dwelling,

¹⁰ **no harm will overtake you,
no disaster will come near your tent.**

¹¹ For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways;

¹² **they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.**

¹³ You will tread on the lion and the cobra;
you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

¹⁴ **“Because he loves me,” says the LORD, “I will rescue him;
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.**

¹⁵ He will call on me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and honor him.

¹⁶ **With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation.”**

The New Testament Lesson 2 Timothy 2:20-26

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²⁰ In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for special purposes and some for common use. ²¹ Those who cleanse themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

²² Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. ²³ Don’t have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels. ²⁴ And the Lord’s servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful. ²⁵ Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, ²⁶ and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

Church Family Announcements

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Worship in Giving

Malachi 3:10

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²⁹ Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come before him.
Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.

The Apostles Creed

Congregation

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended to the dead; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; The holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Doxology 556 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Congregation

**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. A-men.**

JESUS, THANK YOU

The mystery of the cross
I cannot comprehend
The agonies of Calvary
You, the perfect Holy One
Crushed Your Son
Who drank the bitter cup
Reserved for me

Your blood has washed away my sin
Jesus, thank You
The Father's wrath completely satisfied
Jesus, thank You
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table
Jesus, thank You

By Your perfect sacrifice
I've been brought near
Your enemy You've made Your friend
Pouring out the riches
Of Your glorious grace
Your mercy and Your
Kindness know no end

Your blood has washed away my sin
Jesus, thank You
The Father's wrath completely satisfied
Jesus, thank You
Once Your enemy, now seated at Your table
Jesus, thank You

Lover of my soul, I want to live for You
Lover of my soul, I want to live for You
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Your blood has washed away my sin
Jesus, thank You
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WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR

Wonderful, merciful Savior
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb
Could rescue the souls of men
Oh, You rescue the souls of men

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost our way
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way

You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for

Almighty, infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh, we're falling before Your throne

You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
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Prayer Led by Pastor

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MINISTRY OF THE TABLE

Pastor Tim Valentino

Sursum Corda

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise,
Pastor: For he has given us his Son. Hallelujah!

Sanctus (sung)

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory!
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory!
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest!**

Memorial Acclamation

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
**All: Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**
Pastor: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.
People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.
Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Words of Institution, Fraction, and Pouring

Pastor: On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took the bread, and he gave thanks. “Blessed are you, Lord our God, king of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.”

And when Jesus had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

People: Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Pastor: And after the supper, Jesus took the cup, and he gave thanks. “Blessed are you, Lord our God, king of the universe, who brings forth fruit from the vine.”

And when Jesus had given thanks, he poured the cup, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and drink. This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for the remission of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.”

People: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Pastor: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Eucharistic Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray.

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People: 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 debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Commune

- The Bread of Holy Communion
- The Cup of Holy Communion

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Hymn 397

Search Me, O God

Congregation

Benediction

Pastor Tim Valentino

Organ Postlude

We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer

Pat Shroff

- Arr. Norman Johnson

397 Search Me, O God

1. Search me, O God, and know my heart to - day; Try me, O
2. I praise Thee, Lord, for cleans - ing me from sin; Ful - fill Thy
3. Lord, take my life and make it whol - ly Thine; Fill my poor
4. O Ho - ly Spir - it, re - viv - al comes from Thee; Send a re -

Sav - ior, know my thoughts, I pray. See if there be some wick - ed
Word and make me pure with - in. Fill me with fire where once I
heart with Thy great love di - vine. Take all my will, my pas - sion,
viv - al— start the work in me. Thy Word de - clares Thou wilt sup -

way in me; Cleanse me from ev - ery sin and set me free.
burned with shame; Grant my de - sire to mag - ni - fy Thy name.
self and pride; I now sur - ren - der, Lord— in me a - bide.
ply our need; For bless - ings now, O Lord, I hum - bly plead.

WORDS: J. Edwin Orr, 1936
MUSIC: Traditional Maori melody

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 6: Communion during Morning Worship

Monday, March 14: Ministry Council Meeting in Zinn Commons (and Zoom) @ 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 17: Ladies Bible Study Online via Zoom @ 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 22: Church Family Care Ministry Meeting @ 7:00 p.m. Zinn Commons & Zoom

Wednesday Bible Study: Online via Zoom @ 7:00 p.m.

REMINDERS

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the **Baby Bottle Boomerang** to support Align Life Ministries. Unfortunately, there are still 15 bottles outstanding.

Please return your baby bottle as soon as possible, filled or not, so we can turn in our donation to Align Life in a timely manner. Thank you!

Easter will soon be here and we are planning an **EGG HUNT** on Palm Sunday. We need plastic eggs filled with candy. All candy should be wrapped and we recommend no candy with peanuts or peanut butter (allergies) and no hard candy (choking hazard for younger children).

All donations due by April 3. Thank you! Stephanie Hammer

Local Sharing Cupboard: Thank you for placing non-perishable food items in grocery cart in the narthex. The food bank currently needs a supply of cereal, spaghetti sauce, paper towels, Kleenex, toothpaste, hand soap and dish detergent.

Assistive Listening Devices: CCC has four assistive listening devices for those who need them during the worship service. See Pastor Tim or Bob Long if you need a unit.

Prayer Requests: If you any have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at pastortim@christcomm.church or (484) 269-4313.



Christ Community CHURCH

Join us in preparing for our Easter Egg Hunt.

This year we need plastic eggs filled with wrapped candies.
NO peanut products or hard candy.

Return to church by **PALM SUNDAY.**

PALM SUNDAY • APRIL 10, 2021
12:00 NOON @ Evangelical lower parking lot
121 South College Street • Myerstown, PA

EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM

Orders due to **Carol Keller** by **March 21**

FLOWERS in green foil pot	FLOWER COLOR	PRICE × QUANTITY	TOTAL PRICE
Florist Mums (6" pot)	LAVENDER	\$6.98 × _____	=
	YELLOW	\$6.98 × _____	=
	WHITE	\$6.98 × _____	=
LILIES (6" pot, 5 to 6 blooms)	WHITE	\$6.98 × _____	=
TOTAL PAYMENT INCLUDED: (Make checks payable to CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH)			\$

Name _____

Phone Number _____

☐ In Honor of Name

☐ In Memory of Name

THE GOSPEL UNCHAINED, PART 8

BE USEFUL TO GOD

2 Timothy 2:20-26

God loves to use those who are cleansed, kind, and committed.

Be the GOOD SILVERWARE on God's table. (2:20-22)

The making of good silverware. (20-21)

The maintenance of good silverware. (22)

Be the GOOD SERVANT on God's team. (2:23-26)

The need for spiritual wisdom. (23)

The need for spiritual winsomeness. (24-26)