

Sunday, March 9, 2025

The Lord's Day | First Sunday in Lent

Welcome & Announceme	ents	Pastor Tim	nothy Valentino
Organ Voluntary & Quiet Reflection	O Love That Will Not Let Me Go/ Blessed Assurance - Arr. Caudill	/	Pat Shroff
Call to Worship	Psalm 106:47 (Responsive)	Pastor Tin	nothy Valentino Lisa Dreibelbis
Opening Hymn 292:	Down at the Cross Where My Savi	or Died	Congregation
Prayer of Adoration		Pastor Tim	nothy Valentino
Scripture Readings Old Testament Lesson: The Response: The Gospel Lesson:	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Luke 4:1-13 (Please stand	-	Pat Strain /Lisa Dreibelbis Pat Strain
Worship in Giving	Proverbs 14:31	Pastor Tim	nothy Valentino
Prayer Hymn 371: "	Take Up Your Cross," the Savior S	aid (vs 2)	Congregation
Prayer Led By Pastor		Pastor Tim	nothy Valentino
Worship Hymns All My I	Boast Is In Jesus / Wonderful, Merci	ful Savior	Congregation
Sermon	Wonders & Warnings 1: The Pharisee and the Tax Collect		,
Closing Hymn	402: Take Time to Be Holy		Congregation
Benediction		Pastor Tim	nothy Valentino
Organ Voluntary & Quiet Reflection	Choral Song - S. Wesley / Wells		Pat Shroff

Hospital Visitor This Week: Ruth Turner, 717-926-1543

Lector	Pat Strain	Children's Church Leader	Maureen Logan & Deb Smith
Responder	Lisa Dreibelbis	Nursery	Jennifer Danielson
Organist	Pat Shroff	Narthex Greeters	Kaye & Dave Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Flutist	Shirley Long	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Violin	Rebecca Sorg	Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Timothy Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist	Marcy Garman	Visitation Minister	Pat Strain
Trumpeter, Pianist	Sonya Valentino	March Counters	Kaye Focht, Vivian Hardy
Hvmn Leader, Vocalist, Office Administrator	Maureen Logan	Director of Buildings & Gr	ounds Will Robertson

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Call to Worship: Psalm 106:47

Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Down at the Cross Where My Savior Died 292



The Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

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." ⁴The priest shall take the basket from your hands and set it down in front of the altar of the LORD your God. ⁵Then 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. ⁶But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labor. ⁷Then we cried out to the LORD, the God of our ancestors, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. ⁸So the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. ⁹He 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. ¹¹Then 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 (Responsive)

¹Whoever 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.

¹³You 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."

(PLEASE STAND) The Gospel Lesson: Luke 4:1-13

¹ Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."

⁴Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'"

⁵The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. ⁷If you worship me, it will all be yours."

⁸Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only."

⁹The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. ¹⁰For it is written:

" 'He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully;

¹¹ they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.""

¹² Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

¹³When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

Worship in Giving: Proverbs 14:31

³¹Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God.



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All My Boast Is in Jesus

What wonder of wonders, what love is this That Christ would die for me His goodness, His merit, His righteousness This sinner's only plea

Now fully forgiven, my life is filled With graces undeserved For merc;y that flowed down that sacred hill Let praises now return

All my boast is in Jesus All my hope is His love And I will glory forever In what the cross has done O praise the One forever blessed Him alone my heart adores And I will boast in less Than the love of Christ my Lord

O praise the One forever blessed Him alone my heart adores And I will boast in less Than the love of Christ my Lord

I boast not in riches, in strength or might But in grace of God I glory in weakness, to live is Christ In plenty or in want

All my boast is in Jesus All my hope is His love And I will glory forever In what the cross has done

Now I stand in this freedom Ransomed, clean in His sight And I cannot be ashamed for My boast is Jesus Christ My boast is Jesus Christ Forever my boast is Jesus Christ

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

[CHORUS]

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

[REPEAT CHORUS 2X]



► Annual Congregational Meeting Reports are available in the narthex. Please take one per family and read before our Congregational Meeting on March 16.

• SOUP • CEREAL

Spaghetti Sauce • Corn • Peanut Butter
Non spaghetti noodles • Snack foods • Chips
Pretzels • Cookies • Crackers • Other personal care items including liquid & bar soap, and toothpaste.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

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

LOOKING AHEAD

TODAY, Sunday, March 9 Baby Bottles due back

* Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex

Monday, March 10 @ 6:30 p.m. MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING • Zinn Commons

Wednesday, March 12 @ 7:00 p.m. MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER via Zoom

Thursday, March 13 @ 7:00 p.m. WOMEN OF FAITH in the Student Lounge

Sunday, March 16 @ 12 noon <u>CHURCH LUNCHEON</u>* Zinn Commons @ 1:15 p.m. <u>ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</u> Zinn Commons

Sunday, March 23 @ 4:00 p.m. VBS TRAINING CLASS · Zinn Commons

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Sunday, March 30 Easter Flowers Order Form Due to Carol Keller

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Tuesday, April 8 @ 5:30 p.m. <u>BUILDING & GROUNDS MEETING</u> Zinn Commons

Sunday, June 8 - Thursday, June 12 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS WORKERS ANNOUNCEMENT

Vacation Bible School is coming to Christ Community Church JUNE 8-12! So that we are fully equipped for this great opportunity, we are focusing on directing children's behavior while they are in our care. We will be having one-hour training times that give us tools for helping the children and our church family thrive during VBS. Listed below are options VBS helpers can choose from. Contact Sonya (call/text 484.269.4314 or email tim.sonya@comcast.net).

• Sunday, March 23 @ 4:00 PM at Church

- Sunday, April 5 @ 9:30 AM at Church
- Sunday, April 8 @ 6:30 PM at Church

Please Note that **ONE CLASS** of training is necessary for **ALL** who volunteer with children in any capacity at Christ Community Church throughout the year.

VBS WORKERS ANNOUNCEMENT

"Lord, I pray for this dark world. Do something." "I will use <u>you</u> as I reach the children."

Our whole church family is teaming up to join God as He reaches kids. Our VBS begins **Sunday, June 8** and runs through **Thursday, June 12** in the evenings.

There are pre-VBS opportunites, helping during VBS, and after-VBS opportunities. Some ministries are kid-free. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex so you can respond to how God is nudging you.

You can also contact Maureen Logan <u>mlart1@verizon.net</u> or Sonya Valentino <u>timsonya@comcast.net</u>

EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM



Orders due to Carol Keller by March 30

FLOWER	FLOWER COLOR	PRICE X QUANTITY	PRICE
LILIES (6" pot, 4-5 blooms)	WHITE	\$7.00 x	=
MUM (6" pot, florist, non-hardy)	YELLOW	\$6.00 x	=
MUM (6" pot, florist, non-hardy)	PINK	\$6.00 x	=
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□ In Memory of	Name		