

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #649 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* E.O.Excell

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING RESPONSE (601) *Amen* Danish melody

POSTLUDE "Because Thou Hast Said" from Handel's *Largo* Croft/Leatherman

**Those who are able, please stand.*

The **Liturgist** for today is Ozark Ulerich.

Prayer Concerns: Carolkay Barré; Nick Bradshaw; Ellie Catalano; Ruth Sukala; Mary Ellen Beck; those in need of comfort or healing; caretakers; our neighbors; and for us, may we be open to sharing our love with others.

Lenten Bible Study continues today! Extra copies of the book are available in the Memorial Room for anyone who wishes to join us in the remaining sessions. All are welcome, and a light lunch is provided.

CPC's annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast is Sunday, **April 13**, and your help will ensure it goes smoothly. Please consider volunteering to help set-up, cook, or clean-up. Contact Diane McCurdy or Sandy Everly to sign-up.

Easter mission projects have been announced! CPC Deacons are organizing two projects to benefit our friends in Elizabeth: *Ham/Turkey Drive* - Frozen or fresh turkey and ham donations are sought. Please bring to CPC; put fresh in kitchen refrigerator and frozen meats in freezer in the garage. Also accepted are super-market gift cards or monetary donations (please note "Ham/Turkey Drive").

Easter Basket Project: We will assemble 45 baskets to give to families; each costs approx. \$7 to create. Would you like to contribute? Any amounts are helpful! Use the special envelopes from basket in the narthex; place in offering plate or in mailbox (note "Easter Basket Project"). Donations accepted through April 13.

Minutes with Marcus is back! Want to chat about anything that's been on your mind? Contact the office to make an appointment, or reach out to Marcus directly at Pastor@CPCMountainside.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

Note: Work on Meeting House Lane by the gas company will prevent access to the CPC parking lot during the day April 1 - 3. Police will be directing traffic.



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March 30, 2025

Service for the Lord's Day

10:30 AM

PRELUDE

Prelude No 4 in E minor Op 28

F.Chopin

WELCOME

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT (203)

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Ghanaian folk melody

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

In times of trouble, in days of fear,

Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

When we are lost and lonely, not sure of our place,

Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

When we are hard-hearted and cynical,

Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

When we struggle to believe God's promise of redemption,

Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

Together we look to God to teach us the way we should go.

Steadfast love surrounds us, as together we place our trust in the Lord.

*OPENING HYMN #509 *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

W.Moore

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for

his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

RESPONSE (211)

Hear, O Lord, My Plea for Justice

C.R.Young

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI (#581)

H.W.Greatorex

PASSING OF PEACE

FAMILY TEACHING MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

Gracious God, your mercy is wide, but our understanding is limited. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed today, open our minds and our hearts, that your good news may reach the deepest places within us. Renew us in your forgiving love and enliven our imaginations to possibilities for sharing that love with others. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Joshua 5:9-12

ANTHEM

Surely He Has Borne Our Griefs

L.Larson

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

SERMON

"Who Invited Them?"

Rev. Marcus C. Lambright

*RESPONSIVE HYMN #774 *There Is Now a New Creation*

Witt's *Psalmodia Sacra*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Listen to the Lambs*

R.N.Dett/M.L.A.Garrett

*DOXOLOGY (#606)

Old Hundredth