

Lent I
February 17, 2013 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN PRELUDE "Voluntary in d minor" Peter Prellieur

*HYMN OF INTENTION "Hope of the World" (VICAR) No. 178

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: When Jesus was in the wilderness, he was tempted to save himself.

People: We often look for the good things for ourselves first, before the well-being of others.

Leader: Jesus was offered salvation if he turned stones to bread; if he accepted wealth and power; if he tested God's commitment to him.

People: In all these things, Jesus remained strong in his commitment to God.

Leader: May our commitment be as strong.

People: May our lives be placed in God's caring hands today and may Jesus walk now beside us.

*THE PRAYER OF INVOCATION

When we are drawn to the easy satisfaction of our appetites, to the simple addictions of pleasure, we pray for strength to say 'no' and to live by your soul-feeding word.

When we are caught up in the self-aggrandizing song of power and self-sufficiency, we pray for the humility to serve, and to worship the only One who is worthy.

When we are challenged to accumulate and to find our security in wealth, we pray for the grace to give, and for the faith to trust in your care.

And so, for us and for our world, embrace your wisdom and your word, and we commit to living in your light so that in some small way we may dispel the darkness. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

+ANTHEM "Lord, I Stretch My Hands To You" Jay Althouse
Chancel Choir William Kaiser, Director

+++CHILDREN'S SERMON Kathy Schmucker
Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation

+++At this time children in preschool-grade 5 are dismissed with their teachers in the front of the Sanctuary to attend Sunday School.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY + "You are Mine" David Haas Arr. Mark Hayes
+++ "Seek Ye First" Karen Lafferty Arr. Lloyd Larson
Joy Unlimited Steve Moore, Director

*DOXOLOGY No. 94
"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS
SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we
forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and
glory forever. Amen.*

HYMN OF CENTERING "Our Lord, You Were Sent" (FOUNDATION)
Words by C.W. Gillette

Our Lord, you were sent to a place wild and vast
To ponder your mission, to pray and to fast;
Then hungry and weary, you faced night and day
The subtle temptations to turn from God's way.

How could it be wrong to want bread on the shelf?
To seek, in one's serving, to first serve one's self?
But by God's own word you remained ever sure:
It's only in God that our lives are secure.

How could it be wrong to step out and to dare,
To prove with great drama the depths of God's care?
But you knew God's word, true since all time began:
It's wrong to expect God to work by our plan.

How could it be wrong to just once bow the knee,
To shake hands with sin to achieve victory?
Yet you made it clear that no matter the cost:
Your path was obedience, your way was the cross.

Our Lord, in your struggle you chose to obey;
God's word filled your heart and you trusted God's way.
Now risen, you save us from sins that destroy;
You give us your spirit, your peace and your joy.

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:1-13 Pg.61 NT

SERMON *Wilderness as a Means of Grace*
Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

*HYMN OF MISSION "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" No. 269
(LAND OF REST)

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE + "Three-Fold Amen" Robert C. Bennett
+++ "A Closing Prayer" Don Besig

*ORGAN POSTLUDE "Arise, My Soul, Arise!" Finnish Arr. Dale Wood
*Please stand if you are able CCLI License #1596957

Next Sunday at Faith Church

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello
8:30am – Joy Unlimited
11:00am – Chancel Choir/Celebration Bells

Announcements

Emmaus Walk An experience of Christian Spiritual renewal –

Men's Walk- March 7-10, Women's Walk – March 14-17

For more information contact Pam & Tom Wig, Ruth & Dale Zimmerman

Kingdom Rock: Where Kids Stand Strong For God is this year's

Vacation Bible School theme! Join us Thursday, Feb. 21 at 5:30pm to learn more about how you can be involved in this summer's VBS outreach ministry! Contact Sandy Vaughn or Kathy Schmucker for more information!

Young Adult Ministry Luncheon: Join the Conversation.

Next Sunday, February 24th (after the 3rd service) the pastors and the Spiritual Formation Ministry Team will be hosting a time of Jimmy John's and brainstorming! We are looking to continue to develop our Young Adult Ministry and we'd love your input! Please RSVP if you plan on attending so we have enough freaky-fast food for everyone! **Deadline to RSVP is February 22nd. RSVP to Carmie Johnson by calling: 330.499.6040 x12; texting: 234.207.9011; or emailing: cjohnson@faithumchurch.org**

Join Us In Sunday School!

Nursery (Infant – Age 2) – 8:30, 9:45, 11:00 AM in Room 18

Following the Children's Sermon, the following ages/grades will be invited to attend Sunday School:

Preschool (Ages 3-5) – 9:45 & 11:00 AM in Room 20

Grades K-2 – 9:45 & 11:00 AM in Room 6

Grades 3-5 – 9:45 & 11:00 AM in Room 8

Middle School Youth @ 11:00 AM in Youth Room

High School Youth @ 11:00 AM in the Youth Room

Adult Sunday School @ 9:45AM in the Conf Rm & W Parlor

Adult Sunday School @11:00 AM in Room 16

Worship Attendance Last Sunday:

<u>8:30</u>	<u>9:45</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>Total</u>
85	135	165	385

Small Group Studies

NEW! Lent Prayer Study, "The Awkward Season: Experiencing God's Grace in the Season of Lent" begins Thursday, February 21 at 9:30am, Facilitator: Kathy Schmucker

"Gospel in Life: Grace Changes Everything" -Sundays at 9:45 in the West Parlor, Facilitators: Kim Reynolds & Steve Golden

"Grace: More Than We Deserve, Greater Than We Imagine" -Sundays @ 11:00 in Room 16

"Study of the Book of John" – Mondays, 7:00pm, West Parlor, Facilitator: Bob Kuchner

"The Challenge of Jesus" – Thursdays, 7-8:30pm in room 8, Facilitators: Steve & Becky Moore

Refuge for Parents – "Exploring Confirmation" – Alternating Sunday evenings at 6:30pm, March 10

Information about ongoing groups can be found on the calendar page, on our website, or in the small group brochures in the Gathering Area and FLC.

Wednesday Night Lent Experiences

Intergenerational opportunities for Faith UMC to help people of all ages grow in faith & experience the love & grace of Christ more fully this Lent.

Join us each Wednesday Night during the season of Lent as we explore, discover, and experience spiritual practices that lead us to open ourselves to grace! Each week will focus on a different means of grace with activities for adults, youth, and children. Come and explore **prayer and pretzels, experience God's word, create clinging crosses, walk the labyrinth.** Dinner begins at 6pm in Robinson Hall. Lenten programs begin at 6:30pm.

Mark Your Calendars:

Wednesday, February 20 @ 6:30 pm - A Time To Prepare

Thursday, February 21 @ 9:30am – "The Awkward Season: Experiencing God's Grace in the Season of Lent" Study Begins

Wednesday, February 27 @ 6:30pm – A Time We Pray & Fast

Wednesday, March 6 @ 6:30pm – A Time We Experience the Word

Wednesday, March 13 @ 6:30pm – A Time We Remember

Wednesday, March 20 @ 6:30pm – A Time We Act

Wednesday, March 27 @ 6:30pm – Journey to the Cross

Lent Resources and Devotionals will be available in the literature racks in the Gathering area & outside the Family Life Center beginning Ash Wednesday.

Contact Kathy Schmucker, Director of Christian Education & Spiritual Formation. kschmucker@faithumchurch.org or 330.499.6040 x17

THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH

Sunday

9:45 & 11

11:00 am

5:30 pm

6:30 pm

Monday

6:00 pm

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Friday

Saturday

7:00 am

February 17

Sunday School for All Ages

Confirmation - RH

Joy Unlimited Youth Choir - Choir Room

Refuge Youth Fellowship - Youth Room

February 18

Emmaus Board Mtg: RH, West

"Gospel of John" Study – W Parlor

Covenant Bible Study – Rm 16

Emmaus, RH East

Meditation Group - Rm 8

Men's Open Basketball - FLC

February 19

Men's Prayer Group - Balcony

Quilts to Share - Rms 5 & 6

Celebration Bells – rehearse in Sanctuary

Finance Meeting, Conf. Room

Women's Bible Study - W Parlor

Boy Scouts – RH/FLC

Nomination Leadership Dev., Rm 16

February 20

Women's Morning Study Group, West Parlor

Staff Meeting, Conf. Rm

Carol Choir, Choir Room

Cherub Choir, Rm 8

Wed Night Faith Connections Dinner, RH

Lent Experience – A Time to Prepare

Sewing for Missions, RH

Chancel Choir

February 21

"The Awkward Season" Lent Study, W Parlor

Library Volunteers

Alzheimer's Support Group, Rm 8

Faith Stitchers, Parlor

Cub Scouts, Wesley Hall

Stephen Ministry Training, Rm 16

"The Challenge of Jesus" Small Group, Rm 8

Trustees, Conf. Rm

February 22

February 23

Faith Kitchen

Men's Life Study, Variety's

Faith

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WELCOME!

Greetings and a warm welcome to all! Let us joyfully unite in the worship of our Creator and Savior, Almighty God.

Co-Pastors: Rev. Steve and Cara Stultz Costello
Organist: William Kaiser

The altar flowers are given by Scott and Joni Hendricks in memory of Paul Brandt.

February 17, 2013

- Communion is available today in the Chapel. Guided meditation books are available. Please enter quietly.
- Large print copies of the order of worship and hearing aid devices are available from the ushers.
- Sunday School and Small Group Information is included in your bulletin.
- Restrooms are located in the hallway off the Gathering Area.
- Copies of the weekly Prayer List are available at the Information Station in the Gathering Area along with March/April Upper Room & Daily Bread devotionals.



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