

Welcome!

Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2015 +8:30 A.M. +++11:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judy McLaughlin, Lay Leader

PRELUDE

My Faith Looks Up to Thee
Heather Cooper, organ

Karl Osterland

*BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Acolyte

*HYMN OF INTENTION

“How Great Thou Art”

No. 77

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 19

ONE: The heavens declare

MANY: and we declare the glory of God.

ONE: Our voices join the speech of creation

MANY: to tell of our known and unknowable God.

ONE: Now may these words of our mouths

MANY: and these meditations of our hearts

ONE: be pleasing in God's sight

MANY: and life-giving in our world.

ALL: God of shadows and light, God of hiddenness and revelation, Forgive us when we miss you– when we overlook the love, when we turn our backs on the hope, when we gaze too intently at ourselves ignoring the blessed others that surround us. Forgive us, God, and in your infinite grace shine your holy light or perhaps sit with us in the dark.

+++ ANTHEM

Morning has Broken

arr. Stevens

Morning has broken like the first morning. Blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing, praise for the morning, praise for them springing fresh from the world. Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass. Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning, born of the one light Eden saw play. Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's recreation of the new day.

Carol Choir; Joanne Fox, director; Susan Deibel, piano;

American sign language instruction, Paulette Baker

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

+ Kyrie from *Gospel Mass*

Robert Ray

In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son, in the name of the Holy Spirit, the Blessed Three in One. Oh Lord have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Oh Lord have mercy on me. Send us a Savior, set my soul free. Give us Your word and teach us to pray. I want to praise and serve You always. Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob look down, have mercy upon us. Oh Christ have mercy. Christe eleison. Oh Christ have mercy on me. Send us Your comfort, grant us Your peace. You are the way, the truth and the light. I love You more each day and each night. Jesus the Rock of salvation, and Light of the world, have mercy upon us.

Chancel Choir; Daniel Parsley, director

+++ *Title*

Cherub Choir; Sandy Wallace, director

*Please stand, as you are able

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*DOXOLOGY

No. 95 or See Below

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Liturgist

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 61:1-3 pg. 691 OT

+ANTHEM

“Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy's Sake”

Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore.

+++ CHILDREN'S SERMON

Kathy Schmucker, Spiritual Formation Director

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK IN OUR LIVES

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND 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

“Take Time to be Holy”

No. 395

GOSPEL LESSON

John 2: 13-22 pg. 93 NT

SERMON

Title

Rev. Cara Stultz Costello

*HYMN OF MISSION

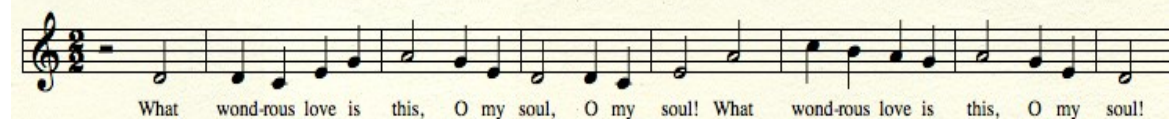
“All Who Love and Serve Your City”

No. 433

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“What Wondrous Love”



*CHRIST'S LIGHT TO THE WORLD

Acolyte

*POSTLUDE

What a friend we have in Jesus

Robert Hobby

Focus Events for Spring 2015

March 11, 2015– 6:00 PM– Project Empty Bowl
March 25, 2015- 7:00 PM- Community Lenten Vespers service featuring the FUMC Choirs
April 1, 2015– 12:00 PM & 6:00 PM– Soup and Silence
April 2, 2015- 7:00 PM- Maundy Thursday- Butch Ransom and Barb Rich Drama- FLC
April 3, 2015- 7:00 PM- Good Friday- Sanctuary
April 26, 2015- Cantata Sunday at 11:00 AM Worship-
R. Vaughn Williams- *Five Mystical Songs* with Chancel Choir and string orchestra
May 6, 2015- Choral Evensong- Wednesday at 7:00 PM
FUMC Schola Cantorum presents J.S. Bach's *Christ lag in Todesbanden* with chamber orchestra
May 10, 2015– 7:00 PM Mother's Day- BGSU ACappella Choir Spring Tour
May 14, 2015– Labrynth Walk for Peace
May 24, 2015- Pentecost Worship- Robert Ray's- *Gospel Mass* at 11:00 AM Worship

Chancel Choir Cantata Singers

Have a passion for singing but can't commit to sing every week? Want to sing with a professional orchestra in worship? Sing for the Spring Cantatas! The FUMC Chancel Choir will present British composer Ralph Vaughn Williams' *Five Mystical Songs* in 11:00 AM worship on **April 26th**. Any who wish to join us for this cantata are invited to Wednesday evening rehearsals 7:30-9:00 **starting March 18th**. Chancel Choir will also present American composer Robert Ray's *Gospel Mass* on **May 24th** in 11:00 AM worship. All are invited to join rehearsals **beginning April 15th**. Please contact Daniel Parsley for more information.

Next Sunday, March 15 LENT IV

Pastor Steve preaching

8:30 Tom Strauch, liturgist; Chancel Choir & Heather Cooper, organ

9:45 Praise Band

11:00 – Evan Wright, liturgist; Celebration Bells & Heather Cooper, organ



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**March 8, 2015
Lent III**

Co-Pastors: Revs. Cara & Steve Stultz Costello

Organist: Heather Cooper

Liturgists: +Dave Shilling +++ Karen Truett

Greeters: + John & Penny McClellan and Mary Jane Watson +++ Ted & Pat Isue

Today's altar flowers are given by Roy & Sally Ailstock in memory of the March birthdays of Sally's parent, George & Mildred Lipsinger

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