

The Fifth Sunday in Lent



First Presbyterian Church Bucyrus, Ohio

March 17, 2024

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Worship Service 10:30 AM

Adult Education 9:00 AM

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Exalting Christ. Denying Ourselves.
Loving Our Neighbors.

Service of the Word and Sacrament

Sunday, March 17, 2024 10:30AM

Please use time before the service for prayer and reflection.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

Please turn off all cell phones.

**Welcome
Prelude**

Announcements and Concerns

***Call to Worship** (Responsive)

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love;

Wash us from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin.

Jesus said, "Whoever serves me must follow me. Where I am there will my servant be also."

Let us worship God and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise**

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

#575

***Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

Hear your children, Holy God, as we confess to you our sin. You offer us the security of your love, but we seek other comforts. You encourage us to love deeply, but we flinch from the challenge. You seek our complete obedience, but we stray again and again from your rule. Forgive us, God, we humbly pray. Write your law on our hearts, and fill us with your Holy Spirit, that we might live in righteousness and glorify you in all we do, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri**

#961

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world with-out end. Amen, Amen

***Sharing of the Peace**

***Praise Hymn**

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

#405

Old Testament

Psalm 23

Pg. 541

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Debt/debtors)

Commitment through Giving

Offertory

Response

"Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow"

#965

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. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication** (Unison)

Ever-present God, with this offering we present also ourselves, all that we have been, all that we are, all that we shall become, and our resolve to walk in your way. Accept us and our offering, we pray, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

New Testament

John 9:1-9 & 17-38

Pg. 1064-1065

Message

"New Sight"

Al Fulton

***Closing Hymn**

"Be Thou My Vision"

#859

***Benediction**

Postlude

Prayer Requests

Shut-Ins:

Mary Lou Hastings, Sue Headley, Joe Ann Johns

Cancer

Melody Fagan, friend of Sandy Britton

Annette Cheney, a friend of Kathy Bardon

Bruce Price, Dan's brother

Surgery

Ben Hubble, Jan's nephew, back surgery

Larry Stony, Friend of the Fulton's, surgery from an accident

Members, Family and Friends of Members:

Judy Eichhorn, waiting on MRI for pain in head, neck & shoulders

Kathy Hildebrand, Courtney's Mother, waiting on liver transplant

Dan Price

Dave Hablitzel

Lou Ross, recovering from a, stroke, Lori Rager's Dad

Judy Diederich, Recovering from heart surgery

Whitney Hildebrand, Courtney Posey's sister

Abigail Sutherland, recovering from heart surgery, Dishon's granddaughter

Mike McKee, Heart problem. Friend of Kathy Bardon

Becky Bellamy, Parkinson's, sister of Kathy Bardon

Mary Dunham, Kathy Byrne's friend

Military:

Keagan Rios, Gennie Rios grandson

Levi Diebler, member and Carrie Diebler's son

Grayson Robinson, Tami Robinson's grandnephew

Announcements

Worship folders for March are presented to the glory of God by Lori Rager.

Chancel Flowers are given today by Tami Robinson to the Glory of God with love and thanksgiving for our wonderful church family.

Attendance last Sunday was 91.

Deacon Sunday is today. All loose offering will go to the Deacon's fund to help with all the many things they provide for our congregation. Please give generously.

Newsletter – Please have all newsletter information for April to the office by March 25th. Thank you.

Holy Week Services

03/24 - Palm Sunday 10:30 AM

03/28 - Maundy Thursday 6:30 PM

03/29 - Good Friday 6:30 PM

03/31 - Easter Sunday 10:30 AM

BORN Donations

BORN Blessing Box - Our church is taking food donations for the Blessing Box. Please leave food donations in the box beside the office door. **Don't forget** the hats, gloves, scarves, blankets and socks are still needed.

This Week

Sunday, March 17

9:00 AM Adult Education

10:30 AM Worship Service

Wednesday, March 20

2:30 PM Table Toppers

Thursday, March 21

12:30 PM Gamma Delta @ LuLu's

Friday, March 22

7:00 AM Men's Prayer Group

Service: Al Fulton

Liturgist: Carrie Diebler

March Deacon: Jan Fulton

March Elder: Carrie Diebler