

*God loves us the way we are but He loves us too much to leave us that way.*  
— Leighton Ford

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

#### *The Sacrament of Holy Communion*

*Rev. John Lutz, Senior Pastor*

*Rev. Ron Stott, Guest Preacher*

Jim Dransfield (8:00) & Holly Rogerson (9:30), Worship Assistants

March 7, 2010

8:00 & 9:30 a.m.

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- Prelude
- \*Opening Hymn                   “Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah”                   127
- Welcome & Life of the Church  
*(Please sign the attendance pad and pass it down the aisle.)*
- Greeting One Another  
*(Stand and greet the people around You and welcome them into our circle of faith today.)*
- \*Gloria Patri                   “Glory Be To The Father”                   70
- \*The Call to Worship                   —Inspired by Isaiah 55  
Leader: The Lord calls out to us: “Come, all You who are thirsty!”  
**People: We come now to drink!**  
Leader: The Lord calls out to us: “All You who have no money, come and eat! Why labor in vain for that which does not satisfy?”  
**People: We come now for the wine and milk of Your grace and mercy. Feed us, Lord, with Your truth.**  
Leader: The Lord calls out to us: “My ways are higher than Your ways. My thoughts are like the canopy of sky overhead.”  
**People: Cover us, Lord, with Your grace. Your ways are far above ours. We repent and believe again.**
- \*The Lenten Prayer [unison]  
**Lord, in this season of self-denial, our attention is often turned back to the very thing we have given up. We are acutely aware of our hungers and desires, and so we're acutely aware of our weaknesses, too. Lord, cover us now with Your grace. In Your word, You tell us that Your ways are higher than our ways, and so we pray for You to cover us like a clear, nighttime sky, full of mystery and light. Cover us with**

*the knowledge that we do not know all, but that You do. Cover us with the knowledge that light shines, even if we can't always see it. Cover us with the strength to wait through our temptations, the way a watchman waits for morning. Cover us with the hope of Your deliverance, which is as sure as the sunrise. Amen.*

- Special Music (9:30)                   “Kyrie Eleison”                   Huntsinger  
The Wesleyan Choir
- The Scripture Lesson                   Luke 13: 1-9                   (Page **738** in the pew Bible)
- The Message                   **“In God's Own Good Time”**                   Rev. Ron Stott
- The Sacrament of Holy Communion\*  
*(The congregation will proceed to the altar by the center aisle at the ushers' direction. Partaking of the communion elements will be by intinction—the breaking off and then dipping of the bread into the cup. Return down the center aisle to your seat.)*
- \*Hymn                   “Lift Every Voice and Sing”                   519
- ✠Prayers of the People                   ✠The Lord's Prayer
- Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings
- Offertory
- \*Offertory Response                   “Doxology”                   95
- \*Offertory Prayer [unison]  
***You have touched us in our loneliness, merciful God. In compassion You have called us out of our isolation into this family of faith. We bring these gifts, therefore, as expressions of our thanks with the prayer that through them You will touch others with that same healing and reconciling power through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.***
- \*Closing Hymn                   “O Jesus, I Have Promised”                   396
- \*Affirmation of Faith                   “The Apostles' Creed”                   881
- \*Benediction
- Organ Postlude

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*\*If able, please stand to worship God*

***\*The Communion Offering for this month will be dedicated to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.***

*We welcome YOU to our worship service this morning. If You are visiting our church for the first time, we extend You a special greeting. (Please inform us of Your complete name and address on the Fellowship Pad or in the Guest Book.) We invite You to enter into our worship wholeheartedly. Sing out! Listen intently to God's Word! Be open to promptings of the Holy Spirit! And after the service, give us a chance to talk with You and invite You back! We look forward to Your worshipping with us again.*

## ABOUT THIS WORSHIP SERVICE ...

**Altar Flowers** today are Dedicated to the Glory of God In Honor of Marybeth States for Her Birthday, by The Raab Family; and also In Honor of Elayna Curtin for Her Birthday, by The Raab Family.

**Sanctuary Flowers** are Dedicated to the Glory of God In Loving Memory of Son, David Deibler, by Marilyn Deibler.

**The White Rose on the Altar** is In Loving Memory of **Vivian Arnone**, mother of Vivian Bickley, who went Home to Our Lord on February 24, 2010.

**Morning Greeters** this morning at the 8:00 service are George Jenca; and at the 9:30 service, Ruth & Vic Campo.

**Ushers** this morning are Bob Slotterback & George Jenca at the 8:00 service; and Chuck & Beth Lotocki at the 9:30 service.

**Acolyte** this morning is Isabelle Letham.

**Prayer Chain No. 2 is in effect this week.** Please call Madge Laughlin, 215-357-6573, for prayer requests and praise for answered prayers.

**Children's Activities provided during the service....** All children under two are warmly welcomed into the Noah's Ark Nursery; toddlers through kindergarten are invited to join the Cherub Nursery, located in Hippo Room in the Education Wing. Elementary school children are invited during the service to participate in Junior Church in the "Fish Room" on the first floor of the Education Wing.

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#### **Contemporary**

11:30 a.m.

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