

“But my life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus, the work of telling others the Good News about God’s wonderful kindness and love.”
— Acts 20:24 (NLT)

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

MISSIONS SUNDAY

Rev. John Lutz, Senior Pastor

Erika Paton, Worship Assistant

April 3, 2011

9:15 a.m.

Prelude

*Opening Hymn “We’ve A Story to Tell to the Nations” 569

Welcome and 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.)

*Call to Lenten Worship

Leader: No longer strangers, we shall be God’s friends.

People: No longer separated, we are brothers and sisters in Christ.

Leader: No walls between us, but windows and doors to intimacy.

People: From a far distance, we come to the heart of friendship and the mind of forgiveness.

Leader: We are a part of the family of God,

People: Members of the household of freedom, we work side by side and hand in hand for the coming of the kingdom of God. Bless our worship this day that we might respond to your call in mission

*The Opening Prayer [unison]

Almighty God, as we gather in this place to worship You, we know that all across the globe, men and women, children and youth, gather as well to be Your church in all times, in all places, in all languages, in all cultures. Pour out Your spirit upon Your church universal, that all who gather in Your name and all who praise You may feel Your presence, know Your will, and have the courage to do what You are calling us to do. We pray in the name of the One God. Amen.

✠ Prayers of the People

*Affirmation of Faith “The World Methodist Social Affirmation” 886

*Gloria Patri “Glory Be To The Father” 70

*Hymn of Preparation “Is It I, Lord” 593

Missionary Speakers

**Larry & Rita Sherbondy
Steve & Gail Quigg**

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.)

Faith Promise Invitation

Tim Eick

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Offertory Response “Doxology” 95

*Offertory Prayer [unison]

O God, we dedicate these gifts to You in hope—a hope which begins here and now, yet stretches further than human eye can see. Use all of who we are and all of what we have to provide hope that what we are giving, by Your grace, is making a difference somewhere. Through our gifts, speak Your gospel to people we may never meet. Amen.

*Closing Hymn “Pass It On” 572

*Benediction

Postlude

**If able, please stand to worship God*

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 Loving Memory of Grace Cunningham on Her Birthday, by Joan & John Cunningham; and also In Loving Memory of Grace Cunningham by Carol, Gary, Tom, Abigail & Emily Alexis.

Morning Greeters this morning are Audrey Kent & Betty Bunting.

Ushers this morning are Bob & Cheryl Fryer.

Acolyte this morning is Colin O'Neill.

Prayer Chain No. 1 is in effect this week. Please call Cynthia Schick, 215-968-2072, for prayer requests and praise for answered prayers.

Children's Activities... The following activities are available during the 9:15 worship service. Infant up to nursery school age; Nursery care is available during the service in the Nursery in the main hallway, next to the Ladies Room; and Junior Church in Sunday School Room # 3 for Kindergarten through 5th grade. Children will be dismissed from the worship service before the sermon.

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Worship Services

Traditional

9:15 a.m.

Contemporary

11:30 a.m.

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