

**St. ANDREW'S CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2015**



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**Sunday, March 8, 2015**

**9:00 a.m.**

**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

PRELUDE                      On Eagles Wings                      arr. Charles Callahan

THE WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The Lord is near.	<b>People: His Spirit is with us.</b>
Pastor: We need not fear.	<b>People: His Spirit is with us.</b>
Pastor: We abide in peace.	<b>People: His Spirit is with us.</b>
Pastor: We continue in hope.	<b>People: His Spirit is with us.</b>
Pastor: We rejoice in faith.	<b>People: His Spirit is with us.</b>

\*HYMN 53                      Morning Has Broken                      Bunessan

CALL TO PRAYER AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**God of mercy and God of grace, You know the secrets of hearts; how blind we are to our own faults, yet sometimes harsh in treating others; how swift we are to take for gain, yet slow in giving to others. How satisfied we are in our own accomplishments, yet grudging in our praise of others.**

**At this time in our lives, we need Your tender care and unfailing love. Do not remember our sins and offences, but remember us in Your goodness, cleansing us and freeing us from the burden of our follies and unwise judgments. We offer You our heartfelt prayer through our faith in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PROMISE OF NEW LIFE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON                      Exodus 17: 1-7

SPECIAL MUSIC:                      Shepherd Me O God                      arr. Charles Callahan

GOSPEL LESSON                      St. Luke 11: 1-13

\*HYMN 250                      O Breath of Life                      St. Clement

SERMON:                      THE GREAT PRAYER ADVENTURE                      Rev. Ernest Smart

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

## THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY:           When I Survey The Wondrous Cross  
                                   Rockingham Old, arr. Nancy Raabe

## THE DOXOLOGY

**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

## CALL TO PRAYER AND THE PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you**

Leader: Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*using trespasses*)

**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 the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

\*HYMN 595

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

## THE BENEDICTION (Unison)

**Let us go forth as children of God in the confidence and grace that God provides. May his strength cause us to live as proud ambassadors of the faith we have in Jesus Christ. May we love God with all our being and our neighbors as ourselves. It is in the name and spirit of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

POSTLUDE

I Am the Bread of Life

Suzanne Toolan, arr. Lynn Trapp

## **WELCOME NOTES FOR THIS THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

**A HUNDRED THOUSAND WELCOMES TO WORSHIP ON THIS GRAND AND GLORIOUS DAY** (traditional Celtic greeting). May each and all of us sense the joy and freedom of being able to worship in this great nation.

**EVERYONE IS INVITED** to join us for a light reception in the church lounge after worship. Guests and visitors are especially welcome,

**WINTER VISIONARIES.** Spare copies of this very readable and attractive newsletter are available on the Lounge piano for family and friends. Once again we are very much indebted to Barbara Lewis for her talents in design and editing.

**EMPTY BOWLS MISSION PROJECT TODAY IN FELLOWSHIP HALL** This is the third year that our St. Andrew's will be helping to support St. Vincent de Paul's statewide effort to fight hunger in Maryland. We are invited to pay \$10 for each bowl to be painted. The bowls will then be fired and returned by Saturday, March 28 at the Timonium Fairgrounds. Come and enjoy this great opportunity. Please see Barbara Pour for more details.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF OUR MISSION AND DREAM TEAM** will be held on Thursday, March 12 at 4:00 P.M. here at church. Everyone with bright ideas will be most welcome.

**"ART WITH A HEART"** Our program for "Stamp the Pig" in support of Art with a Heart will be held after worship next Sunday, March 15. Everyone is invited.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF OUR P&R** (Planning and Review) Board will be held on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. This is an open meeting to which everyone is invited.

**PASTORAL CARE** is high on our list of priorities. So please do not hesitate to contact Rev. Ernest Smart, at any time, either for yourself or someone you know. Best contact number: 410-893-9470.

### **Thought for the Week Ahead:**

"Have you ever thought of prayer as something as close,  
personal, practical and powerful as electricity?"

- Ernest Smart -