



Chatham Community Church

Joined in the Spirit
March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday in Lent

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Thank you for worshipping with us. We rejoice that you are here today!

Music for Prayer and Meditation

Let us silence our hearts, our minds, and our voices to worship our God

Choral Introit

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We run frantically to and fro, thinking that the good deeds we do will buy us salvation.

People: **But we know we are now justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.**

Leader: It is through this grace that we are compelled to do the good deeds in Christ's name.

People: **Faith is such an enigma, O God. Be with us this hour to help us understand more fully.**

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray...

Faith is such a hard thing to understand, yet we are designed to be perfected in faith. Allow our hearts to be touched by your grace and by your faith during this worship, O God, so that we may be renewed for our work in this world. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*Opening Hymn #649

"Gather Us In"

First Scripture Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

Children's Moment

Anthem

EXPRESSING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer Hymn Prayer Hymn #482

"Sanctuary"

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer *(words printed in hymnal #740)*

Prayer Response #490: **Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord.**

Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology #34

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

GOD'S WORD REVEALED

*Hymn of Preparation #599

"Shadow and Substance"

Scripture Reading

John 3:14-21

Message

"Lifted Up"

Pastor Patty

*Closing Hymn #502

"Be Thou My Vision"

*Benediction and Congregational Response

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.

Lift up your eyes and see God's face, full of grace forever.

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*Postlude

**please stand as you are able*

Record of our Faithfulness

*Attendance last week: **41***

*Offering: **\$1,417.00***

*Matthew 25: **\$40.00***

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Pastor Patty will be in Chatham Tuesday evening, Wednesday morning / evening, and Thursday afternoon / evening

Please continue to pray for...

Hoyt Mis, Lou Gehrig's disease
Jeff Natterer, health concerns
Clarice, Rosalie's sister – health concerns
Larry Staples, multiple health concerns
Rev. Doug Lewis, continued recovery from lung surgery
Ethan Siman, Adam Klein in the service
Kyle Bohley as he journeys through his confirmation preparation
Collin Bohley, recovering from surgery scheduled for tomorrow

Laura Tice, health concerns
Neva Bournival, now at Elmcroft

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ Sunday, March 11 – 7:00 p.m. Lenten Evening Worship at Litchfield UCC
- ✓ Tuesday, March 13 – 6:00 p.m. Worship Committee event at Jacci's
- ✓ Wednesday, March 14 – 7:00 p.m. Apple Butter Festival meeting
- ✓ Thursday, March 15 – 1:30 and 6:45 Bible Study (Matthew 7:1-6)
- ✓ Sunday, March 18 – 7:00 p.m. Lenten Evening Worship at Chatham

APPLE BUTTER FESTIVAL MEETING – We will meet on Wednesday, March 14 at 7:00 to begin planning for our 50th Apple Butter Festival. All are welcome to attend and share ideas.

EASTER FLOWERS – Our Easter flower order form is out on the table in the entry. Please fill yours out if you want to order flowers to beautify the sanctuary. You can put your form in the offering plate.

NEWSLETTER – Luann is in the process of putting together the newsletter for April/May. If you have something you would like to contribute, please email her soon so she can have the newsletter together by March 25.

In Service to God and the Church

Accompaniment: Karen & Dave Geisinger
Lay Servants: Jacci Orosz, Laura Staten
Ushers and Greeters:

Lay Leader: Greg Theus
Liturgist: Jayne Cole



that he gave
his only Son.

John 3:16

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