



Chatham Community Church

Joined in the Spirit
February 24, 2019

Congregational Choral Opening to Worship (a cappella)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God Almighty
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty.
God in three Persons, blessed trinity.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Thank you for worshiping 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

"Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Thom Shuman

Leader: We come, those who seek to trust in God.

People: **We commit ourselves to do as Jesus would do for those around us.**

Leader: We come, delighting in all the wonders God provides for us.

People: **We would not worry, but open ourselves to God's heart.**

Leader: We come, waiting patiently for God to speak.

People: **We will be still, listening for God's words of hope, of peace.**

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray...

You are our heart's Desire, who chooses grace over grudges, who provides rather than withholding, who creates community with us rather than standing isolated from us. You are our Brother and Servant, who delights in those who resist you, who cradles the fists of hatred in your scarred hands, who does good to those who do evil. You are the Breath of wonder, who blows death's dust off our shoulders, who fills our empty souls with resurrection life, who whispers words of peace into hearts full of anger. Let us worship our God who is our all and all.

*Opening Hymn #471

"As the Deer"

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40

Anthem

"Come, Let Us with Our Lord Arise"

EXPRESSING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer Hymn Prayer Hymn #492

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me (repeat)

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer

(words printed in hymnal #740)

Prayer Response #474

"I Surrender All" (refrain)

I surrender all, I surrender all,

All to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

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 #180

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:27-38

Message

"Be Merciful"

Pastor Patty

*Closing Hymn #575

"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"

*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.

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

*Postlude

**please stand as you are able*

Record of our Faithfulness

Attendance last week: **52**

Offering: **\$1,064.00**

Care & Share: **\$81.00**

Women's Group: **\$30.00**

Matthew 25: **\$25.00**

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Pastor Patty will be in Chatham Wednesday afternoon and Thursday afternoon / evening.

Please continue to pray for...

Hoyt Mis, Lou Gehrig's disease
Jeff Natterer, health concerns
Matthew VanGilder, health concerns
Lucy, Luann's Mom – declining health
Judy Greenlagh, friend of Tom & Sandee – treatment for cancer
Bud Sudar, health failing – prayers for heart condition / transplant
Don Kunsman, Sandee LeMaster's brother – serious health concerns
George, Barb Natterer's brother – health concerns
Ethan Siman, Adam Klein in the service

Laura Tice, health concerns
Norm Selzer – health concerns
Marvin Farren – health concerns

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ Thursday, February 28 – Bible Study 1:00 & 6:00 (Esther 3)
- ✓ Sunday, March 3 – 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

BAKE SALE FOR SUGARBUSH FESTIVAL – On Saturday, March 9 the women's group will sponsor a bake sale at the Memorial Hall for the Sugarbush Festival. Baked goods, candies, and small pies go very well. This is their big fundraiser of the year. If you do not want to bake, please consider making a cash donation to the women for their ministry to the community.

ASHES TO THE HOMEBOUND – On Wednesday, March 6 we will be taking a blessing and ashes to any homebound person who cannot make the evening worship. If you know of someone who would like to receive the ashes in their home, please let Pastor Patty know as soon as possible.

CHATHAM COMMUNITY CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP – We are grateful to offer once again a full-tuition scholarship to Case Western Reserve University. This is for undergraduate work only. If you know of someone from the area who would like to apply, please talk to Pastor Patty. Deadline is March 14.

In Service to God and the Church

Accompaniment: Karen Geisinger
Lay Servant: Jacci Orosz
Ushers and Greeters: Jared & Amanda

Lay Leader: Greg Theus
Liturgist: Jayne Cole
Next week:



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