

March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

*This is the day that the LORD has made,  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

Please greet those around you before the announcements begin.

**Prelude**

*O God Beyond All Praising*

arr. Nielson

**Welcome and Announcements**

While the music is being played, quietly prepare your heart for worship.

**Moments of Meditation**

*Be Still, My Soul*

arr. DeCou

“My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from Him.”

Psalm 62:1

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 2:1-3

**\*Hymn of Praise**

*Man of Sorrows! What a Name*

No. 246

Man of Sorrows! What a name for the Son of God, who came  
ruined sinners to reclaim; Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood,  
sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was He;  
full atonement! Can it be? Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die, “It is finished!” was His cry;  
now in heav’n exalted high: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring,  
then anew this song we’ll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**Prayer of Confession**

Our gracious Heavenly Father, you are our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. You have given to us wisdom and righteousness and sanctification in our Lord Jesus Christ. You have supplied all our needs according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus. We can do all things through your strength. Yet we are a weak and rebellious people. We have sinned against you in our thoughts, words, and deeds. We have sinned in what we have done, and in what we have failed to do. We have built idols in our hearts and bowed down to them. We have misused and dishonored your name. Rightfully we fall under the condemnation of your holy, righteous, spiritual, and good law. Our only hope is that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Your kindness and love for mankind have appeared in him. Forgive the guilt of our transgressions. Purify us that we might be clean. Wash us that we might be whiter than snow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. In Jesus' name. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Psalm 2:4-6

<sup>4</sup> He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. <sup>5</sup> Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, <sup>6</sup> “As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.”

**\*Hymn of Thanksgiving**

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*



1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure,  
2. Be - hold the man up - on the cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders;  
3. I will not boast in a - ny - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;



that He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea - sure.  
a - shamed, I hear my mocking voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.  
but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and re - sur-rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss: the Fa - ther turns his face a - way  
It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;  
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer,



as wounds, which mar the Cho - sen One, bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.  
His dy - ing breath has brought me life: I know that it is fin - ished.  
but this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

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**Baptism**

Cordelia Armstrong

**Receiving of New Members**

Ben, Felicia and Cordelia Armstrong

**Westminster Shorter Catechism 29 - 30**

Q. 29 How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

**A. We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ, by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.**

Q. 30 How doth the Spirit apply to us the redemption purchased by Christ?

**A. The Spirit applieth to us the redemption purchased by Christ, by working faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.**

### **Prayer of Intercession**

#### **Tithes and Offering**

*What God Ordains*

arr. Bauder

1. What God ordains is always good: His will is just and holy; As He directs my life for me I follow meek and lowly. My God indeed in every need knows well how He will shield me; To Him, then I will yield me; To Him, then I will yield me.
2. What God ordains is always good: He is my Friend and Father; He suffers naught to do me harm, though many storms may gather. Now I may know both joy and woe, some day I shall see clearly that He hath loved me dearly; That He hath loved me dearly.
3. What God ordains is always good: Though I the cup am drinking which savors now of bitterness, I take it without shrinking. For after grief God gives relief, my heart with comfort filling; And all my sorrow stilling; And all my sorrow stilling.
4. What God ordains is always good: This truth remains unshaken. Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken. I fear no harm, for with His arm He shall embrace and shield me; So to my God I yield me; So to my God I yield me.

#### **\*Hymn of Preparation**

*O Worship the King*

No. 2 vs. 1, 4-6

O worship the King all-glorious above,  
O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love;  
our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,  
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old;  
has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;  
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in You do we trust, nor find You to fail;  
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!  
While angels delight to hymn You above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall lisp to Your praise.

**Sermon**

**Long Road to the Garden**

**Luke 3:23-4:13**

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Sermon Outline

1. A Family of God's Choosing (3:21-38)
2. Fulfilling God's Word (4:1-8)
3. Standing Firm (4:9-13)

Questions for Further Reflection:

1. What names do you recognize in Jesus' family tree? Why are they significant?
2. Is there such a thing as a 'nobody' in the Kingdom of God? Why do we feel this way sometimes? How do we get ourselves out of such thoughts?
3. When was the last time you memorized a Bible verse(s)? How important is it to commit Scripture to memory? How can you work on this?
4. What's the significance of Jesus going into the wilderness? What was he setting out to accomplish there? Why did he fast?

**\*Hymn of Response**

*Amazing Grace!*

No. 460

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,  
I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

**\*Benediction**

**\*Gloria Patri**

No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

**\*Postlude**

*He Who Would Valiant Be*

arr. Bock

**\* Congregation:** Please stand as able.

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**Vocalists**

Becky & Nelson Schoon

**Organ & Piano**

Sandy Schoon

**Intercessory Prayer**

Bruce Stoltzfus, Elder

## **Weekly Calendar**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>EVENT</u></b>
<b>SUN 3/15</b>	8:00 AM	Worship Committee Meeting
	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	12:15 PM	Schoon Care Group
	5:00 PM	Youth Bible Study
<b>TUES 3/17</b>	7:30 PM	Easter Ensemble Practice
<b>WED 3/18</b>	9:30 AM	Ladies' Bible Study
<b>THUR 3/12</b>	6:00 PM	Financial Peace University Class
<b>SUN 3/15</b>	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School Classes
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

## Serving the Lord

	3/15	3/22	3/29
AM Nursery	V. Lash, Grayden L.	Y. Lindborg, Emily S.	B. Hrivnak, Krystal T.
Greeters	Lanenga	Stoltzfus	C.L. Yonker
Treats	Hrivnak	Schoon	O'Neal
Serve/Cleanup	Hrivnak	Schoon	O'Neal
Audio	J. Martin	B. Schoon	B. Armstrong
Elder of the Week	Stoltzfus	Lindborg	Schoon



### March Birthdays & Anniversaries

6 <sup>th</sup> Debra Chappell	6 <sup>th</sup> Elyssa O'Neal	10 <sup>th</sup> Emily Stoltzfus
10 <sup>th</sup> Aaron Lash	15 <sup>th</sup> Ana Severson	17 <sup>th</sup> Bruce Stoltzfus
23 <sup>rd</sup> Joann Faber	23 <sup>rd</sup> Leam Armstrong	24 <sup>th</sup> Tobias McAuley
27 <sup>th</sup> Mark Gretzinger	31 <sup>st</sup> Jason Lash	

10<sup>th</sup> Nelson & Sandy Schoon's anniversary

### April Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 <sup>st</sup> Ken Coppage	5 <sup>th</sup> Una McKinley	10 <sup>th</sup> Matt Stechly
16 <sup>th</sup> Luke McAuley	29 <sup>th</sup> Krystal Trujillo	

17<sup>th</sup> Scott & Annmarie Severson's anniversary



## Announcements

☞ **Guest Pastor Next Sunday:** Pastor Andrew will be on vacation next week. Our guest pastor will be Patrick Gretzinger, the older brother of Andrew.

☞ **Bridal Shower:** The women of the church are invited to a bridal shower for Kara O'Neal on Saturday, April 4, at 10 am. It will be held at our church building. Kara is registered at Bed Bath and Beyond and Amazon.

☞ **Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal:** There will be a rehearsal on Tuesday, March 17, at 7:30 pm. for those singing on Easter Sunday morning.

☞ **MARS Spring Evening Class:** Andrew Compton will be teaching an evening class on Archeology. It began on March 12 and will continue March 19 and April 2 starting at 7:30 pm. The cost of these lectures is free. On-campus registration and live-stream registration can be found on their website.