

Apostles’ Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri
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.

Mars UP Church
Honoring the Future without Disrespecting the Past
“This is what the Lord says-----The Redeemer and Holy One of Israel----- to him who was despised and abhorred by the nation, to the servant of rulers: Kings will see you and rise up, princes will see and bow done, because of the Lord, who is faithful, The Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.” Isaiah 49:7

Prelude
The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.
Introit(11:00am) Chancel Choir
“Great is the Lord”

***The Call to Worship**
Leader: Eternal are your mercies, Lord;
People: Eternal truth attends your word;
Leader: Your praise shall rise and set no more!
People: Let us worship God.

***Invocation (Unison)**
Our Father, grant that in the days of this New Year we may feel Thy love, the love that surrounds us, the love that will not let us go but will ever bring us back – back to Thy side, back to Thy will, back to Thy way. In that way we would walk, O Lord. For though all we like sheep have gone astray, like sheep we are tired – tired of missing Thy path and stumbling along paths of our own choosing. Like sheep, we would return to the fold...
Humbly and gratefully we open our hearts to receive that great miracle of grace. Amen Peter Marshall

***Hymn of Praise 128**
“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

***A Time of greeting one another in Christian Fellowship**
Corporate Prayer of Confession
As we begin a new year, O God, we confess our sin in the year that is past. We have often sought our own welfare

The Lord’s Prayer

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 debts,
as we forgive
our debtors;
and lead us not
into temptation,
but deliver us
from evil.
For Thine
is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory,
forever. Amen.

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.

and not the welfare of others. We have complained about the state of the world while doing little to change it. We have spent time worrying and talking that should have been spent praying and listening. We have invested energy in our appearances that should have been invested in the renewal of our hearts. Forgive us, we pray, and make new persons of us in Christ Jesus. Let this New Year be what the old year should have been. For your name’ sake, we pray Amen

Silent, Personal Confession
Assurance of God’s Grace and Pardon

***The Affirmation of Faith Apostles’ Creed**

***Gloria Patri**
(Children may come forward at this time)
Moment with Children(11:00am)

The Words of Welcome

Offertory Sentence
Offertory Anthem(11:00am) Chancel Choir
“Remember Me When You Eat This Bread”

***Doxology and Offertory Prayer**

Scripture Reading John 8:1-11

Sermon Rev. Terry Stoops
“Old Stone Church”

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Hymn 460
“Let Us Break Bread Together”

The Invitation to the Lord’s Table
Prayer of Consecration
The Serving of the Elements by Intinction
Distribution of Stones

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Mon -Thurs from 9 a.m. -3 p.m.

***Departing Hymn** **680**
"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

* Benediction

***Congregational Response** (Everyone sings)
The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;
Guide us and protect us and lead us in Thy grace;
Wherever life may take us as we go our separate ways;
Help us share with others the things we've shared today;
May the peace of God the Father
And the love of Christ His Son
Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us each one;
May the blessings of the Spirit fill us from within;
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again.
Amen.

*Postlude

*(stand if able)

**FROM YOUR CHURCH STAFF – We wish you
and your families a Happy, Healthy New Year
2017. Our prayers are always with you!**

Recognition of Retiring officers

Elders: Don Lewis, Susan Cox, Keith Cuyar, Linda Lees, Michele Baumgartel, Christ Augustine

Deacons: Pam Kennedy, Nancy Govan, Louise Fox, Bonnie McElhinny, Nancy Huggins

To The Mars Congregation:

**Thank you for the very generous Christmas gift
and also Thanks for being you – a faithful,
supportive, committed, and spirit-filled people of
God. May God Bless you all in the days ahead.
Bill and Vail Jackson, Terry and Jan Stoops and
the Mars UP Church staff.**

*Morning Worship:
8:30 am and 11:00 am*

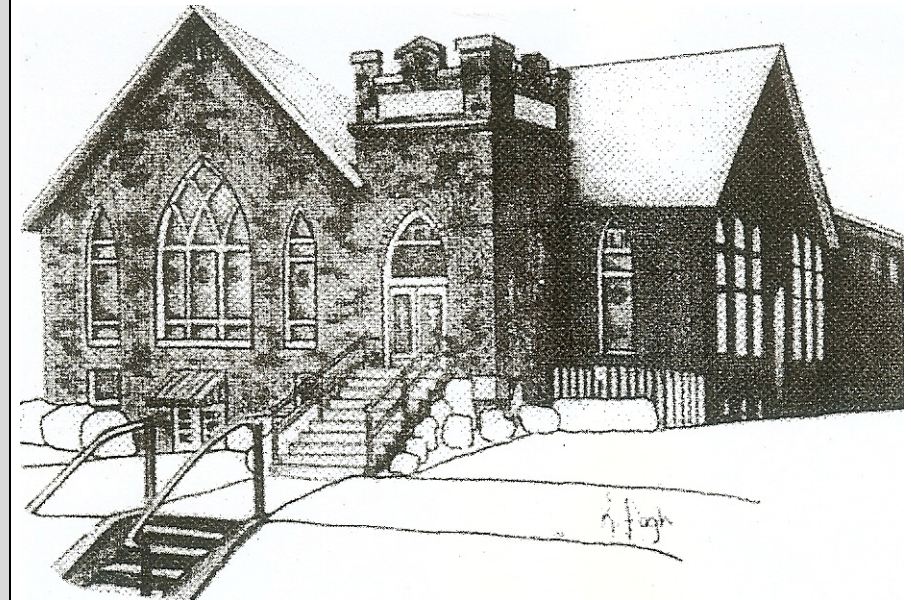
*Nursery provided
during 11:00 am service.*

Baptism of the Lord

Prayer of Preparation
*Lord, we come to you
today with so many
things on our hearts.
You call us to be in
relationship of trust
and love with you and
you offer healing to us
for those portions of
our lives that are
broken and injured.
Help us to be open to
your mercy and healing
love. For we ask this in
Jesus' Name.
AMEN.*

Mars United Presbyterian Church

Welcome!



*We are your hometown church: Faithful to Tradition,
Loving in Fellowship, & Reaching for Tomorrow!*

January 8, 2017

**We welcome you and we are glad you've chosen to
worship with us today!**

CALENDAR: January 8th – January 15th

Church Office Hours: Monday -Thursday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Today, January 8, 2017 Rev. Terry Stoops
8:30 am THE EARLY MORNING WORSHIP
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
9:45 a.m. Meeting for New Deacons and Elders
11:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
5:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group
7:00 p.m. High School Youth Group
Monday, January 9, 2017
6:30 p.m. Buildings and Grounds Meeting
Tuesday, January 10, 2017
9:00 a.m. A-Team
7:00 p.m. AA
Wednesday, January 11, 2017
9:00 a.m. Material Girls
6:15 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, January 12, 2017
7:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting
Friday, January 13, 2017
Saturday, January 14, 2017
Sunday, January 15, 2017 Rev. Dr. William Jackson
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VOLUNTEERS☺
GREETERS: (D) Ruth Wilson
(E) Bob Riefer
NURSERY THIS WEEK:
Brianna Hager
NURSERY NEXT WEEK:
Pat Auld
JR CHURCH THIS WEEK:
Mary Snow
MUP MUFFINS:
Pam Kennedy and Linda Lees
TARRY 'N TALK HOST:
Stewardship Committee
LAST SUNDAY'S
ATTENDANCE: 76
LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:
Operating Funds: \$2879.00
Mission: \$10.00
Kindness: \$25.00
Bldg Improv. \$5.00
Total: \$2919.00

I WILL GIVE THANKS
TO YOU, LORD,
WITH ALL MY HEART;
I WILL TELL OF ALL
YOUR WONDERFUL
DEEDS.
-PSALM 9:1

The Stewardship Committee expresses their appreciation for the congregation's faithfulness and giving for 2016.

PRAYER – JOYS & CONCERNS

Lou Beckwith
Wanda Jones
Terry Moore (Sam's cousin)

Reid Christopher Hall (June Stirling's nephew)
Paige Barbour (daughter of Andrew and Steph Barbour)
Will English(Nephew of Patty Marburger)
Ellaina May Sacony (great niece of Dee Shupsky)
Emma Libert (friend of the McElhinny's)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WINTER FELLOWSHIP RETREAT at Peek' N Peak Resort will be Friday, February 10 - Sunday, February 12, 2017. Brochures are available in the Tarry 'n Talk area. Youth (grades 6-12) are invited to stay in the supervised "youth rooms". The cost is \$165 per youth and includes 2 night stay and 2 day lift tickets – deposits (\$75) are due by January 15th. We will be hosting a club room for our meals and relaxation.

DEACON KINDNESS SUNDAY- TODAY is our monthly collection for the Deacon Kindness fund. These funds are used to help those in our community who may need some assistance.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS There will be a new member's class on Sunday, January 15th during the Sunday School hour (9:45). Please meet in the Tarry N Talk area of the church if you are interested in joining. Rev. Dr. William Jackson will be leading the class.

JANUARY NEWSLETTER Hard copies of the newsletter are available in the Tarry N Talk area. Please contact the office if you would like to be added to the emailing list.

SPAGHETTI FUNDRAISER Come out and help support our Student Ministry by attending our **ALL YOU CAN EAT** spaghetti dinner. Dinner includes: pasta, meatballs, salad, garlic bread, dessert, and refreshments. Adults: \$10 and children 9 and under \$5. Proceeds will support the Mars UP Student Fellowship retreats. Gift Basket Raffle will also be at the Dinner. Winner need not be present to win.

Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of our Son, Neil who went to be with the Lord on January 8, 2009 by his parents, Mary Ann and Howard.

