

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

Come Holy Spirit, Come

The service of worship begins with the prelude; quiet is requested as you enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship. As a community that prays with and for one another, we invite you to share your joys and concerns by using the prayer cards available in the pew. Those parts of the Service of Worship in which the congregation participates in word are noted in bold type.

Prelude

The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

Introit(11:00am)

Chancel Choir

"May This Be The Place"

(*Please stand, if able)

Welcome and Mars Messages

***The Call to Worship (adapted from the The Scots Confession)**

Leader: We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom Alone we must remain faithful,

People: Whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust;

Leader: Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet.....

People: Distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,

Leader: By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven And earth, visible and invisible, to have been created.

All: Let us worship God in Spirit and in Truth.

*Invocation

Adison Staskiewicz

***Hymn of Praise**

"Trust and Obey"

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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.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Merciful and Almighty Father, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole hearts. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves, and we wonder, will others know we are Christians by our love? We worry more about being right than being loving. We make too many decisions in life without consulting you. We say we love you, but then we pay attention to you only when it is convenient. Be merciful to us, for we are still sinners. Compel us to repent, to see our own flaws, to turn from our sin, and to love you enough to take you seriously, week by week, day by day, and moment by moment. Through Jesus, who came into our world that we might see and know your love for us. Lord, hear now our own silent confessions....

Silent, Personal Confession

Assurance of God's Grace and Pardon

***The Affirmation of Faith**

In life and in death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit: We trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

(Children may come forward at this time)

Moment with Children(11:00am)

Choral Anthem(11am)

Chancel Choir

"Fill this House with Grace"

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Church Office Hours:

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

Offering
Doxology
Prayer of Dedication
Offertory Response(11:00) **Chancel Choir**
"All Things Come of Thee"

Hymn of Preparation **426**
"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Prayer of Illumination

Epistle Reading **Ephesians 4:1-6**
Gospel Reading **John 17:6-8, 20-23**

Sermon **Lay Pastor Karl Kennedy**
"What's a Confession"

***Departing Hymn** **424**
"The Servant Song"

*** 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)**

***Flowers are presented today to the Glory of
God by the Wells Family***

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

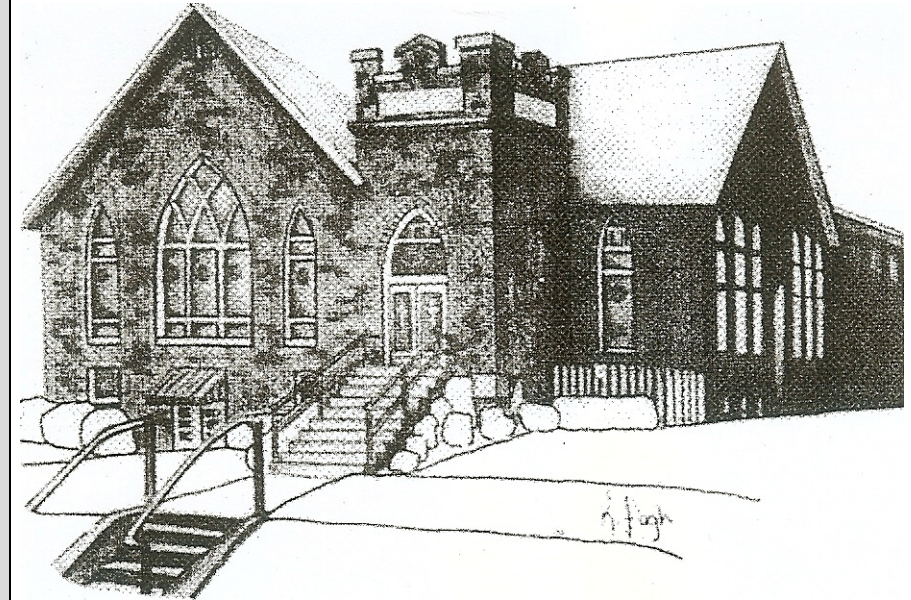
Nursery provided
during 11:00 am service.

2nd Sunday after
Epiphany

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 14, 2018

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

CALENDAR: January 14th – January 21st

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

Today, January 14, 2018

8:30 am THE EARLY MORNING WORSHIP
9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
12:15 p.m. Christian Education/Mission Meeting
12:15 pm Worship/Membership Meeting@ Red Room
6:00 pm MS/HS Youth Group

Monday, January 15, 2018

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

9:00 a.m. A-Team
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Leader Meeting
7:00 p.m. AA

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

9:00 a.m. Material Girls
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 18, 2018

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Friday, January 19, 2018

Saturday, January 20, 2018

9:00 p.m. AFS meeting

Sunday, January 21, 2018 Tom McMeekin

8:30 a.m. THE EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
6:00 p.m. MS/HS Youth Group

VOLUNTEERS☺

GREETERS: (D) Ruth Wilson
(E) Linda Moody
NURSERY THIS WEEK:
Jenny Ivory
NURSERY NEXT WEEK:
Janie Aiken
JR CHURCH THIS WEEK:
Andrew Higginson
MUP MUFFINS:
TARRY 'N TALK HOST:
Stewardship Committee
LAST SUNDAY'S
ATTENDANCE: 94
LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:
Operating Funds: \$3939.00
Mission: \$10.00
Bldg Improv. \$10.00
Total: \$3959.00

PRAYER – JOYS & CONCERNS

Lou Beckwith
Wanda Jones
Terry Moore (Sam's cousin)
Kennedy (Great Granddaughter of Marlene Edwards)
Ellaina May Sacony (great niece of Dee Shupsky)

Reid Christopher Hall (June Stirling's nephew)
Paige Barbour (daughter of Andrew and Steph Barbour)
Maria Elizabeth McKaveney (June Stirling's niece)
Emma Libert (friend of the McElhinny's)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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. January 28th from 5pm until 8 pm. 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 Mission retreats. Gift Basket Raffle will also be at the Dinner. Winer need not be present to win.

PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT

It is that time of year, our individual Per Capita Assessment is due to the Butler Beaver Presbytery. We are requested to pay **\$39.47 (a decrease from last year)** to them per member of congregation of confirmation age and older. You can place your assessments in the offertory and ear mark it for your Per Capita Assessments. The BBP help provide support in negotiating salaries, insurances and pensions with our pastors and employees. Most importantly they provide a resource for us to tap into when we are in need of guidance. Please consider paying your Per Capita Assessment as soon as possible as we partner with our Presbytery to become stronger, smarter and more cohesive. As always, we give thanks for your generosity and support.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: The Stewardship Committee would like to thank the congregation for its financial support to our church during the past year. Your contributions enable the church to fulfill its service obligations to the members of our Mars United Presbyterian Church.

“Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly; because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the Lord.” – 1 Chronicles 29:9.

