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the BREAD of life

John 6.35



Bethany Presbyterian, Johnstown, PA
MORNING WORSHIP March 10th, 2019
First Sunday in Lent

CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Jesus began his ministry to the world, led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

P: As we begin our Lenten journey, let us be led by the Spirit, even into the uncomfortable places.

L: In those forty days, and in that place, Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt and temptation.

P: As we seek to follow Jesus, we would be led, even into the uncomfortable choices.

L: Jesus left the wilderness, faithful and obedient to God, rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.

P: As we continue on our path to faithfulness, we will be led by our Christ, rejoicing in the Lord our God.

***HYMN "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #263**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION *

L: God makes no distinction between us. We are all sinners, we are all children of God, we are all precious to God, and we are all saved by God. Because God makes no distinction, let us confess our common humanity to the One who is generous to all.

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of our ancestors and God of our children, we come knowing we have preferred to test you, rather than to trust you. The famine in our souls makes us long to be filled with the empty promises of the world. We listen to the soothing words of the advertisers, rather than to the uncomfortable words of discipleship. Forgive us, God of our lives. Bring us out of that dependence on ourselves, and bring us into the presence of the One we seek to follow, not only to Jerusalem, but beyond - into life with you forever, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

***SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

L: As you have confessed, do you so believe? The good news is that there is nothing we do that can conquer us, for we are sheltered in God's gracious mercy and hope.

P: This is the truth we believe. The Word is in our hearts, and on our lips, as we give thanks to God who is our shelter and our live.

L: Friends, Believe the Good News

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

***GLORIA PATRI #579**
CHURCH NEWS

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

(Please greet your neighbor by saying, "The Peace of Christ be With You.")

REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Offertory

***Doxology #592**

***Prayer of Dedication**

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament Deuteronomy 26:1-11 p.174

New Testament Romans 10:8b-13 p.985

Gospel Luke 4: 1-13 p.892

Message Denise Ann Todero, CP

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH –The Apostles Creed –(P.14 Traditional)**

***HYMN "More Love to Thee, O Christ" #359**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Hear our prayers, O Lord. P: And let our cry come unto Thee.

L: Let us bless the Lord! P: Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" #510**

BENEDICTION/SENDING*

L: Now let us go from this place of haven God has given to us.

P: Led by the Spirit, we will go to be with those who are filled with fears, with hopes.

L: Now let us go from the refuge of the Table where we have tasted the first fruits of grace.

P: Led by the Spirit, we will go to feed those who hunger for companionship and life.

L: Now let us go into the world, living out God's reality that there is no distinction between people.

P: Led by the Spirit, let us go to serve our sisters and brothers who are our true family.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace"**

****Those who are able please stand. ** © Rev. Thom Shuman***

ORGANIST'S: John Griffin and Elaine Bilger

COMMISSIONED Pastor: Denise Ann Todero

WORSHIP LEADER:

Offering: 3/3
Attendance: 22
Local 1249.25
Benev. 86.50
Improv. 73.25
Total 1409.00

Sunday March 10th
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday March 17th
Morning Worship 10:30 p.m.

Items For The Newsletter are due by March 31st. Please give or send all items to Ed Sheets.

Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships are available for 2019. If you would like to sign up for one or both for a week, sign up on the back bulletin board or by clicking the link on the church website (www.bethanyjohnstown.com).

Sign Ups for 2019 Worship Leaders, Coffee Hour Set-ups, and Communion Set-ups are posted on the back bulletin board.

The Raise the Roof Spaghetti Dinner and basket/prize raffle will be held on Saturday April 27th from 4-7 p.m. We are looking for donations for the basket/prize raffle. If you are able to provide a donation or are able to go out and solicit donations from local businesses, donation request letters are available on the back table. Please mark on the sheet in the folder where you are taking letters, so we do not go to a location twice. Information flyers are also available on the back table. Contact Ed Sheets for more information.

Please Refrain from using cell phones and other electronic devices during Morning Worship. We thank you for your cooperation.



Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Don Bennett	Sharon Weaver
Michael Robert Rose III	Elizabeth Kern
Darlene Rager	John & Cindy Griffin
Phyllis Pfuhl	Rachael Wilks
Harry & Lillian Thiel	Logan Weaver
Lois Henry	Gary Bellack
Katherine Minahan	Cathy Zakucia
Lenore Runkle	Richard Kibsey
Andy Serafin	Irene Barefoot Bischof
Cheryl Gindlesperger	Kimber Leigh Orlidge
Nancy Dimitt	Justin Korenoski
Joyce Horn	Beth Runkle
Elaine & Ken Bilger	Marie Hudson
Bill & Patty Gramling	Linda Thomas
Marie Kotar	Bob Whorl
Bill Kegg	Linda Shoop
Gloria Sorensen	Linda Donahey
Kathy & Robert Wilks	Joel Bunn
Rev. Dr. Brenda & Don Barnes	Linda Hayes
Pastor John Hickman	All Shut- Ins
Jim Rozich	All in Nursing Homes
Hannah Korenoski	All First Responders
The Holbay Family	All Service Men & Women

To Place Announcements Or Concerns List Names in the bulletin contact Ed Sheets at 539-3495 or email at esheets91@hotmail.com or contact Pastor Denise at 479-2382 or email her at datodero@atlanticbb.net.

Please do not leave them on the church answering machine.

In Case of Emergency, please call Pastor Denise at 479-2382 or cell 248-8174. Do not depend on the hospital contacting the church or the pastor.