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

"Lord, Help us to plan our lives as if You will never return; and help us to live our lives as if Your coming is but a second away. So may our vision stretch into the future, seeing all the great things we can do on Your behalf. In our work we seek to extend the boundaries of Your kingdom. We long for our kingdom to come. Amen. – Bryson Jeffrey Leech

The Gathering of the Christian Community

(Enter the sanctuary reverently, when the music starts, if you must whisper, whisper a prayer. Before worship, speak to God. During the worship, let God speak to you. After worship, speak to one another.)

Prelude

Welcome

Introit(11:00am)

Chancel Choir

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

*(stand if able)

*The Call to Worship

Psalm 105:1-8

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done.

People: We will sing to Him, sing praise to Him and tell of His wonderful acts.

Leader: Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

People: We look to the Lord and His strength; we seek His face always.

Leader: Remember the wonders He has done, all His miracles. **People: We will remember the covenant He has made!**

Leader: Come now in worship to our Lord.

*Hymn of Praise

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"Lift High the Cross"

*Invocation (Unison)

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom all secrets are hidden; cleanse our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

O Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Your life for us that we might receive pardon, grace, and peace;

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. mercifully cleanse us from all sin, and for evermore keep us in your favor and love. We remember that our Lord Jesus Christ is able to sympathize with us in our weaknesses. In every respect He was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins, silently to Almighty God.

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

*Unison Affirmation of Faith

We believe in the gathered community of faith. Through it, we learn to love and to value life. In it, we find acceptance. We believe in the wholeness of life. We are not intended to be split and divided as persons. We are created and set in a fractured world, so that we can bring it to wholeness as well. We believe in one God expressed in three ways; Father, Son, and Spirit. When we worship one, we acknowledge all. When we are troubled, God responds according to our needs. We believe in the flow of life, from birth through death into everlasting life. We cannot capture the wonder of life before God with explanations. We only know God is with us. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

(the children may come forward during the music)

Children's Moment & Children's Ministry(11:00) Message and Prayer Departing Song(sing twice)

"I have decided to Follow Jesus"

I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, No turning back, no turning back. I have decided to follow Him.

(During the song all children pre-K thru grade 3 are invited to Children's Ministry)

First Scripture Readings

Micah 6:8 James 1:27

Anthem(11:00)

Chancel Choir

"If You Love Me"

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Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer Hymn

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"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Offertory Sentence Offertory Music Doxology and Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading

II Corinthians 5:20, 21

Sermon

Rev. Terry Stoops "What Business Are We In?"

Departing Hymn

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"Here I Am Lord"

- * 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

May the peace of God the Fathe 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

Flowers today are provided to the Glory of God and in celebration and thanks for Diana's 6th birthday by Mom, Dad and Peter Wells. Morning Worship: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

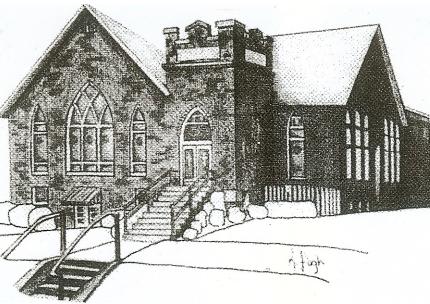
Nursery provided during 11:00 am service.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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!

February 12, 2017

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

CALENDAR: February 12 – February 19

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

Today, February 12, 2017 Rev. Terry Stoops

8:30 am THE EARLY MORNING WORSHIP

9:45 am Sunday School for all ages

11:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

NO YOUTH GROUP/Ski Trip

Monday, February 13, 2017

6:30 p.m. Griefshare

Tuesday, February 14, 2017

9:00 a.m. A-Team 7:00 p.m. AA

Wednesday, February 15, 2017

9:00 a.m. Material Girls

6:00 p.m. GROW @ Valencia Church

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 16, 2017 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Friday, February 17, 2017

Saturday, February 18, 2017

Sunday, February 19, 2017 Rev. Dr. William Jackson

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

5:30 p.m. MS Youth Group 7:00 p.m. HS Youth Group **VOLUNTEERS**

GREETERS: (D) MaryAnn

Croop

(E) Linda Moody

NURSERY THIS WEEK:

Diane Wentling

NURSERY NEXT WEEK:

Carolyn Golden

JR CHURCH THIS WEEK:

Mary Snow

MUP MUFFINS:

TARRY 'N TALK HOST:

Worship Committee

LAST SUNDAY'S

ATTENDANCE: 140

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:

Operating Funds: \$4378.50

Mission: \$10.00

Per Capita: \$1048.14

MUP Van: \$10.00

Kindness: \$65.00

Spaghetti Dinner: \$50.00 Bldg. Improv: \$5.00

Total: \$5566.64

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 \$43.34 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. Many wonder what this money does for us....well, this year we are particularly enjoying the fruits of the Presbytery helping place interim pastors in our midst to help us through our transition in Reverends Bill Jackson and Terry Stoops. In addition, they 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.

PRAYER – JOYS & CONCERNS

Lou Beckwith Wanda Jones Terry Moore (Sam's cousin) Rich Williams Reid Christopher Hall (June Stirling's nephew)
Paige Barbour (daughter of Andrew and Steph Barbour)
Will English(Nephew of Patty Marburger)
Elliana Mae Cicconi (great niece of Dee Shupsky)
Emma Libert (friend of the McElhinny's)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GROW (Get Renewed on Wednesdays) program at Valencia Presbyterian Church will continue on Wednesday, February 15th. Dinner will be served at 6pm with the study of the book "Life Lessons: The Book of Revelation" by Max Lucado at 7pm. On February 15th the dinner will be Mini Ham Loaves, Baked Potato, Vegetable, and Dessert. Pastor Jim Kirk will be leading the discussion. All are welcome and there are programs for the children and youth also. If you have any questions, please contact the office or Pastor Kirk at Valencia Presbyterian church.

GRIEFSHARE IS BACK Every Monday at 6:30pm in the Board Room, Session 1 begins on Monday February 13th.

Each week your group will watch a video seminar on DVD. The GriefShare videos cover topics essential to your recovery from the hurt of grief and loss. The videos are produced in a compelling television magazine format and feature interviews with grief recovery experts, dramatic reenactments, on-location video and real-life stories of people who have experienced the death of a loved one. Here is a list of the weekly topics:

LIVING WITH GRIEF — SESSION 1

This session introduces you to GriefShare. It also explains what living with grief is like, why you shouldn't be ashamed of your grief and why you shouldn't rush through your healing.

FEBRUARY MUP NEWSLETTER There are hard copies of the newsletter in Tarry N Talk for those who do not receive the newsletter via email. If you would like to be added to the email list, please notify the office.

PLEASE NOTE: The end of February marks the end of our formal interim ministry of the Reverend Doctor William Jackson and the Reverend Terry Stoops. There is no depth of physical gratitude we can show these two leaders for keeping our church alive and thriving during this period. Their blessings will remain woven in our church forever. If you would like to share gifts, monetary or otherwise, please send to the church office or place in the offering plate by February 17

Thank You, Session