

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

"O, The Glory of Your Presence"

(*Please stand, if able)

Welcome and Mars Messages

***The Call to Worship**

Leader: Is not this the fast I choose: to loose the bonds of Injustice;

People: to share your bread with the hungry;

Leader: to bring the homeless poor into your house;

People: when you see the naked, to clothe them?

Leader: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

People: and your healing shall spring up quickly.

***Invocation(Corporate)**

God of all times and places, in Jesus Christ, lifted up on the cross, you opened for us the path to eternal life. Grant that we, being born again of water and the Spirit, may joyfully serve you in newness of life and faithfully walk in your holy ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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.

***Hymn of Praise**

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"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Corporate Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord our God, you formed us from the clay of the earth and breathed into us the spirit of life, but we turned from your face and sinned. In this time of repentance we call out for your mercy. Bring us back to you and to the life your Son won for us by his death on the cross, for he lives and reigns forever and ever. 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)

Choral Anthem(11am)

Chancel Choir

"My Shepherd is The Lord"

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Preparation

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"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Offering

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Response(11:00)

Chancel Choir

"All Things Come of Thee"

Scripture

Ephesians 2:11-22

Sermon

Reverend Jim Steiner

"Once Far Away, Now Brought Near"

***Departing Hymn**

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"O How He Loves You and Me"

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Church Office Hours:

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

* **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)

****In Memorium****

Louise L. Snow
12-17-1921 – 2-17-2018
Member, Deacon

March 4th Worship Scripture: Ephesians 3:14-21

***On February 20, 2018 our relationship with Andrew Higginson was ended. Mars United Presbyterian Church Session discussed this action and came to a unanimous decision. The terms of Andrew's departure were mutually agreeable.

We wish Andrew the best of luck and offer our prayers for his success in the future.

Youth group will continue with parent volunteers. Angela Badger has graciously volunteered to take over the program. Along with other volunteers, John and Jenny Ivory, Bonnie McElhinny, Keith Cuyar, Jill Cooper, Herb Wellman, Alma Staskiewicz and YOU, the youth program will continue at MUPC. If you would like to volunteer or help in anyway, please contact Angela Badger at Angelabadger4@gmail.com.

Thank you for *your* support of *our* church.

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

*Nursery provided
during 11:00 am service.*

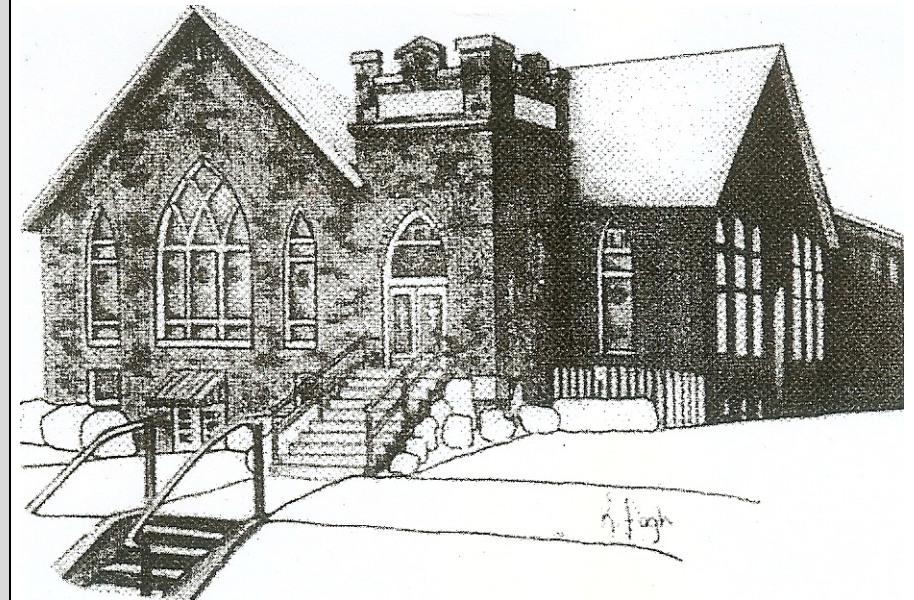
2nd Sunday in Lent

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 25, 2018

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

CALENDAR: February 25th – March 4th

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

Today, February 25, 2018

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

Monday, February 26, 2018

6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
6:30 p.m. Griefshare

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

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

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

9:00 a.m. Material Girls
6:00 p.m. GROW at Valencia Presby. Church
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 1, 2018

Friday, March 2, 2018

12:00 p.m. Lenten Lunch-Speaker Karl Kennedy

Saturday, March 3, 2018

Sunday, March 4, 2018 Rev. Jim Steiner

8:30 a.m. THE EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE
10:00 am Congregational Meeting
11:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

VOLUNTEERS☺

GREETERS: (D) Jay Wilson
(E) Marie Matthews

NURSERY THIS WEEK:
Mary Snow

NURSERY NEXT WEEK:
Jenny Ivory

JR CHURCH THIS WEEK:

MUP MUFFINS: Pam
Kennedy and Linda Lees

TARRY 'N TALK HOST:
Membership/Worship
Committee

**LAST SUNDAY'S
ATTENDANCE:** 104

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:
Operating Funds: \$4254.00

Mission: \$85.00

Van: \$40.00

Per Capita: \$78.94

Kindness: \$20.00

Bldg. \$105.00

Total: \$4582.94

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

LENTEN LUNCHESES Every Friday at noon, the community is invited to enjoy lunch and a special guest speaker. There is no charge for the lunch; however, donations will be received. Come and Fellowship with us on March 2nd at 12:00 noon.

Speaker will be Karl Kennedy and the meal is: Potato Soup, Vegetable Soup, Cold Cuts, Cole Slaw and Cake

LENTEN DEVOTIONALS Lenten Daily Scripture Readings are available for you to take home for your daily devotions during the Lenten season. They are available in Tarry N Talk for your convenience.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING There will be a congregational meeting on March 4, 2018 at 10:00 am for the purpose of amending the bylaws to reduce the number of elders and deacons. (Please see insert in bulletin)

GRIEFSHARE is a special weekly seminar/support group for people grieving the death of someone close. It's a place where you can be around people who understand how you feel and the pain of your loss. GriefShare meets in the library on Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The meetings are being sponsored by McDonald Aeberli Funeral Home. No preregistration is required.

GROW (Get Renewed on Wednesdays) program at Valencia Presbyterian Church will continue Wednesday, February 21st thru March 28th. Dinner will be served at 6pm, Singing at 6:30, followed by 7:00 Bible study for all ages. Theme: Growing & Gardening. Pastors Jim Kirk, Peter de Vries, and Jim Steiner will be leading the discussion at Valencia Church. All are welcome and there are programs for the children and youth also. If you have any questions, please contact the office or Pastor Jim Kirk at Valencia Presbyterian church.

FEBRUARY 18TH SERMON Copies of Pastor Jim's sermon last week is available in the Tarry N Talk if you would like to take one home.

*As each one has received a special gift,
employ it in serving one another as good stewards of
the manifold grace of God.*

1 Peter 4:10-11