#### 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.

#### We Gather Before God

(\*Please stand, if able)

**Welcome and Mars Messages** 

**Prelude** 

Introit(11:00am)

**Chancel Choir** 

"We Adore Thee"

\*The Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus said: I am the light of the world.

People: Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

Leader: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

People: Return to the Lord your God, for God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and

abounding in steadfast love.

#### \*Invocation(Corporate)

God of compassion, you are slow to anger, and full of mercy, welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts. Receive in your loving embrace all who come home to you. Seat them at your bountiful table of grace, that, with all your children, they may feast with delight on all that satisfies the hungry heart. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. 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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"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

#### \*Corporate Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of all compassion, Father of all goodness, to heal the wounds our sins and selfishness bring upon us you bid us turn to fasting, prayer and sharing with our brothers and sisters. We acknowledge our sinfulness, our guilt is ever before us: when our weakness causes discouragement, let your compassion fill us with hope and lead us through a lent of repentance to the beauty of Easter joy. Amen

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

\*Gloria Patri

\*Passing of the Peace

#### We Receive God's Word

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Choral Anthem(11am)

**Chancel Choir** 

"What a Savior"

#### Moment with Children(11:00am)

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, 17 so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

"So now all of us are here in the presence of God to listen to all the Lord has commanded you to say" (Acts 10:33b)

#### Scripture

**Ephesians 4:1-16** 

Message

**Reverend Jim Steiner** 

"Unity in the Body"

# We Respond to God's Word

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#### \*Affirmation of Faith (from The Second Helvetic

**Confession**, **5.126**): And since there is always but one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, Jesus the Messiah, and one Shepherd of the whole flock, one Head of this body, and, to conclude, one Spirit, one salvation, one faith, one Testament or covenant, it necessarily follows that there is only one Church. We, therefore, call this Church catholic because it is universal, scattered through all parts of the world, and extended unto all times, and is not limited to any times or places..

\*Hymn

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"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer Offering Doxology Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Response(11:00)

**Chancel Choir** 

"All Things Come of Thee"

#### We Are Sent Into the World

#### \*Hymn of Commitment

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"The Church's One Foundation"

\* 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

Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jack's father, Don by Jack and Lisa Barbour Morning Worship: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Nursery provided during 11:00 am service.

4th Sunday in Lent

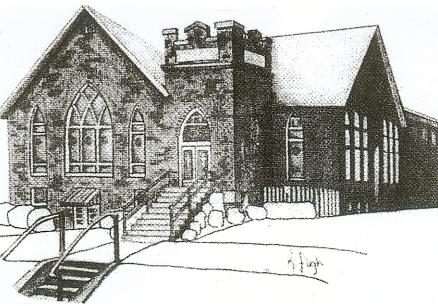
**Prayer of Preparation** 

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.

Next Sunday Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-18

# Mars United Presbyterian Church Welcome!



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

March 11, 2018

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

#### CALENDAR: March 11th – March 18th

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

**Today, March 11, 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 pm Worship/Membership Meeting

6:00 p.m. MS/HS Youth Group

**Monday, March 12, 2018** 

6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 6:30 p.m Griefshare **Tuesday, March 13, 2018** 

9:00 a.m. A-Team

7:00 p.m. AA

Wednesday, March 14, 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 15, 2018

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

**Friday, March 16, 2018** 

12:00 p.m. Lenten Lunch-Speaker James Kirk

Saturday, March 17, 2018 Sunday, March 18, 2018

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**: (E) Sally Olsen

(D) Caroline Kopar

NURSERY THIS WEEK:

Bonnie McElhinny

**NURSERY NEXT WEEK:** 

Keith Nichols

JR CHURCH THIS WEEK:

MUP MUFFINS: Linda Lees &

Pam Kennedy

TARRY 'N TALK HOST:

Buildings & Grounds

Committee

LAST SUNDAY'S

**ATTENDANCE**: 97

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:

Operating Funds: \$4176.00 Mission: \$120.00

Per Capita: \$80.00 MUP van: \$20.00 Building Improv. \$5.00

Total: \$4401.00

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

#### PRAYER – JOYS & CONCERNS

Lou Beckwith Reid Christopher Hall (June Stirling's nephew)
Wanda Jones Paige Barbour (daughter of Andrew and Steph Barbour)
Terry Moore (Sam's cousin) Maria Elizabeth McKaveney (June Stirling's niece)
Kennedy (Great Granddaughter of Marlene Edwards Emma Libert (friend of the McElhinny's)

Ellaina May Sacony (great niece of Dee Shupsky)

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LENTEN LUNCHES** 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 16th at 12:00 noon. Speaker will be James Kirk and the meal is: Potato Soup, Tortellini Soup, Chicken Salad Sandwich, Jell-O Salad and Pistachio Pudding Cake

**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.

**MARCH 4TH SERMON** Copies of Pastor Jim's sermon last week is available in the Tarry N Talk if you would like to take one home.

HOWARD MEEDER 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE TODAY from 3pm to 6pm. Villages of St. Barnabas Bldg. A No Gifts only your presences is requested.

**MARCH NEWSLETTER** Hard Copies of the March newsletter are available in the Tarry N Talk. If you would like added to the email or mailing list, please notify the office.

**NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** Starting March 18<sup>th</sup> in the Youth Room will be a new Sunday School class. Elder Herb Wellman will be leading the class. We look forward to seeing the MS/HS youth of Mars UP Church.

**NEEDED EASTER EGG HUNT DONATIONS** The Christian Education Committee is asking for donations for the Easter Egg Hunt. If you would like to donate candy, little prizes for inside eggs, or a monetary donation, please put in the basket located in the Tarry N Talk area of the church. Donations needed before March 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank You