

**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** **Chancel Choir**  
*“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”*

**\*The Call to Worship** (Psalm 99):  
Leader: The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!

**People:** **Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. Extol the LORD our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!**

Leader: Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the LORD, and he answered them. He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.

**People:** **O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings. Extol the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy.**

*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.

**\*Invocation(Corporate)**  
Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: Give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**\*Hymn of Praise** **45**  
*“Crown Him With Many Crowns”*

**\*Corporate Prayer of Confession (Unison)**  
God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. 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** **Chancel Choir**  
*“Praise the King of Heaven”*

**Moment with Children**

*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** **Matthew 17:1-9**

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## Message

**Reverend Jim Steiner**  
*"Which Messiah?"*

### ***We Respond to God's Word***

**\*Affirmation of Faith (from The Second Helvetic Confession, 5.066):** We therefore acknowledge two natures or substances, the divine and the human, in one and the same Jesus Christ our Lord. And we say that these are bound and united with one another in such a way that they are not absorbed, or confused, or mixed, but are united or joined together in one person—the properties of the natures being unimpaired and permanent. Amen.

**\*Responsorial Hymn** **300**  
*"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"*

**Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer**  
**Offering**  
**Doxology**  
**Prayer of Dedication**  
**Offertory Response** **Chancel Choir**  
*"All Things Come of Thee"*

### ***We Are Sent Into the World***

**\*Hymn of Commitment** **370**  
*"Rejoice, The Lord is King"*

**\* Benediction**  
**\*Congregational Response** (Everyone sings)  
*"The Time has come...."*

### **\*Postlude**

***Flowers are provided to the Glory of God and in loving memory of June D. Morris by her daughter Sue Morris***

*Morning Worship:*  
*10:00 am*

*Nursery provided*  
*during 10:00 am service.*

### **Transfiguration of the Lord**

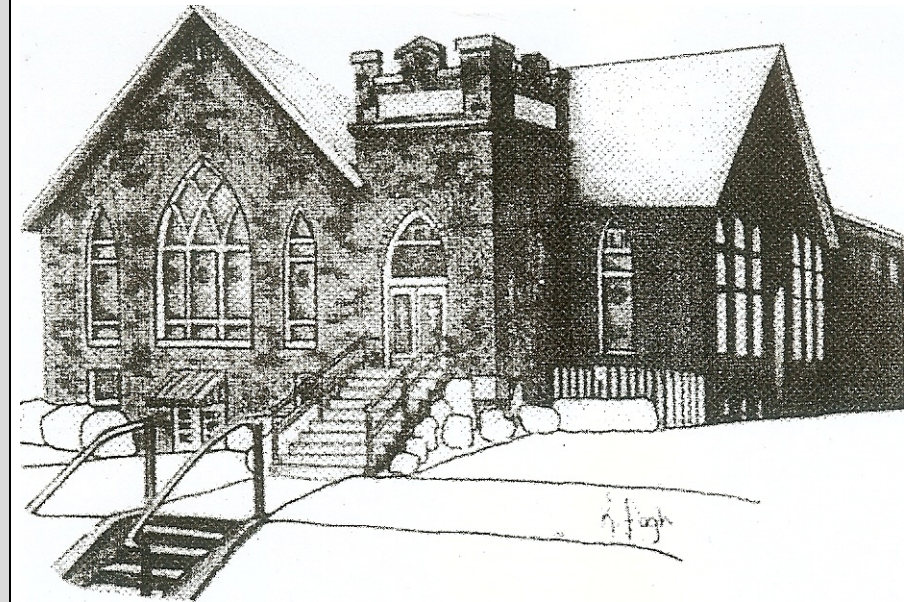
**Prayer of Preparation**  
*Lord, we come to you today with so many things on our hearts.*

*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:**

**Acts 17:22-34**

## **Mars United Presbyterian Church** *Welcome!*



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

***February 23, 2020***

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

## CALENDAR: February 23rd – March 1st

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

### Today, February 23, 2020

9:00 am Sunday School for all ages

**10:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**

### Monday, February 24, 2020

6:30 pm Griefshare

7:00 pm BoyScouts

### Tuesday, February 25, 2020

9:00 a.m. A-Team

7:00 pm AA

### Wednesday, February 26, 2020 Ash Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Material Girls

5:30 pm Ash Wednesday

6:30 pm Cub Scouts

7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:30 pm PNC meeting

### Thursday, February 27, 2020

6:30 pm Girl Scout Meeting

### Friday, February 28, 2020

### Saturday, February 29, 2020

4:30 pm Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser @ St. John Lutheran

### Sunday, March 1, 2020 Guest Speaker – Greg Nichols

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

**10:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**

### VOLUNTEERS☺

#### **GREETERS:**

(E)Christi Augustine

#### **NURSERY THIS WEEK:**

Marsha Haley

#### **NURSERY NEXT WEEK:**

Missy Wells

MUP MUFFINS: Pam

Kennedy and Linda Lees

#### **TARRY 'N TALK HOST:**

Worship/Membership

#### **LAST SUNDAY'S**

**ATTENDANCE: 55**

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**ATTENDANCE: 24**

#### **LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:**

Operating Funds: \$4237.00

Per capita: \$122.79

Roof Campaign: \$5.00

Kindness: \$85.00

Van: \$20.00

Mission: \$5.00

**Total: \$4474.79**

## PRAYER – JOYS & CONCERNS

Lou Beckwith

Kennedy (Great Granddaughter of Marlene Edwards)

Emma Libert (friend of the McElhinny's)

Paige Barbour (daughter of Andrew and Steph Barbour)

Reid Christopher Hall (June Stirling's nephew)

Maria Elizabeth McKaveney (June Stirling's niece)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Bulletins are printed Thursday mornings; let us know if you have an announcement...*

**February 16<sup>th</sup> SERMON** Copies of Pastor Jim's sermon from last Sunday is available in the Tarry N Talk if you would like to take one home.

**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 starting on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon.

**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.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER** St. John Lutheran Church on 420 Beaver Street is holding a Spaghetti Dinner on February 29, 2020 at 4:30 – 6:30pm. Price \$8 for Adults and Children (6-12) - \$5 Age 5 and Under is FREE. Take out is available!

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** Mars UP will provide Walk-In-Communion service. Walk-in communion offers you the chance to begin the season of Lent with a meaningful and personal celebration of Communion. Just drop by the sanctuary anytime between 5:30 pm and 6:45 pm. There will be a handout with a prayer, scripture reading and select hymns. Take the handout and find a seat in the back of the sanctuary to pray and gather your thoughts. Once ready, you'll be invited to come forward along with those gathered with you to share the bread and the cup. Each service will last approximately 15 minutes, with a new service beginning after each one concludes. This has traditionally been a meaningful time for families and friends in our church to enjoy a more intimate communion. Feel free to invite friends and family.

**GUEST SPEAKER – GREG NICHOLS** Will be coming to Mars UP Church on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> during our worship Service. Greg and Debby work with "The Greater Europe Mission" and MUP has supported this mission for numerous years. The Nichols are currently based in Prague, Czech Republic. Greg continues his teaching in several Bible Schools in the former Soviet Union, serves as North Region leader and is the defensive back coach of the Prague Lions. Debby is actively working with the refugee families that have settled into Prague helping them find shelter, clothing, food and education.

### CHURCH ROOF

As you may be aware, the roof of the church will need to be replaced in the next three years. The cost is estimated to be \$70,000. We have collected \$24,248.44 over the last six months. **We still need five members to lead this campaign for the next three years.** If you would like to be on the committee, please contact the church office.

