



Service for the Lord's Day

March 17, 2019 11:00 a.m.

2nd Sunday in Lent



New to Hunter? Here's some information to help you feel at home. Where you see asterisks in the bulletin, you're invited to stand. When we pass the peace, you're invited to greet those around you with a joyful sign of Christ's peace. All children are welcome to come forward for the sharing with young disciples. When we share our joys and concerns, feel free to join in. We offer a nursery for newborns through 3-year-olds. Thank you for visiting Hunter. We're glad you're here! Before you leave, please sign our guestbook in the narthex.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

"He Leadeth Me"

arr. E. L. Ashford

*Call to Worship

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

to share your bread with the hungry;

to bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to clothe them?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

and your healing shall spring up quickly.

*Hymn 440

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

ABERYSTWYTH

Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful Creator; We have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; there is no virtue in us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare us, as we confess our faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to your promises declared unto us In Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful God, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

(moment for silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Gathering Song

"God Welcomes All"
(hymn 399, sing 3 times)

THEMBA AMEN

God welcomes all, strangers and friends; God's love is strong and it never ends.

Sharing with Young Disciples

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from the Old Testament

Psalm 27

(O.T., p. 503)

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

Refrain

God is my light. God is my sal - va - tion.
 God is my light. Bless God's ho - ly name.

Reading from the New Testament

Luke 13:31-35

(N.T., p. 77)

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Message

"Nature vs. Nurture"

J. T. Silence

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Choral Anthem

"Were you there"

arr. James Webb

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Presenting Our Tithes & Offerings (with Hunger Offering)

Offertory

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

arr. Wilbur Held

*Hymn 608

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

PRAISE GOD

*Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

*Hymn 487

"These Treasured Children"

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*Charge & Benediction

*Hymn 564

"Amen"

AMEN

Postlude

"Jesus Shall Reign"

arr. Ron Boud

Depart in Peace

*Please stand as you are able.

Household Prayer: God of mercy, you are full of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive. Grant us grace to renounce all evil and to cling to Christ, that in every way we may prove to be your loving children. Amen.

This Week at Hunter

3/17 Sunday	Session 12:15p.m.
3/19 Tuesday	Lunch Bunch 11:30a.m.
3/20 Wednesday	Blessings in a Backpack 4:00p.m. (Glendover) Choir Practice 7:00p.m.
3/21 Thursday	Stitch 'n Listen 10:00a.m. (UC)
3/24 Sunday	Early Worship 8:45a.m. Sunday School 9:30a.m. Morning Worship 11:00a.m.

Sunday Announcements

A warm welcome to all visitors. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.

Prayer Requests:

Prayers for: The family of Pauline Tabb, the family of Janie Surmont, the family of Jackie Manning, Phyllis Hanna, Rubin Thomas, Barbara and Don Miller, Pauline Tabb, Wilton Cherry, Jackie Smith, Becky Ginter, Bob White, Doris Palmer, Midge Rishel, Dorothy and James Beattie, Ann Johnson (friend of Bob White & Annie Rhoten).

Tree of Lent. At the beginning of Lent, an utterly bare tree branch appeared on our chancel, evoking both the barrenness of the wilderness into which Jesus was driven for forty days, and the complete absence of hope that can engulf us from time to time. Each subsequent Sunday, we add a few leaves to the "tree" so that by Easter it is fully leafed out and rich with blooms, representing new life and hope.

The Unity Garden is hibernating at the moment, however it needs lots of cardboard for the next step. If you have extra cardboard boxes sitting around and wouldn't donating them we would be very grateful.

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