

First United Methodist Church

64 West Chocolate Avenue, Hershey, Pennsylvania 17033

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Web Page: www.firstumchershey.org

Third Sunday in Lent

Heart Work

March 7, 2010

8:00 A.M.



Order of Sunday Worship

We Gather as God's People

Prelude

I've Got the Joy
Christian & Shawn Gingrich, piano duet

arr. Faber & Faber

Call to Worship

We gather to worship our God, whose words and ways challenge us.

**It is true that God's thoughts are not our thoughts
and God's ways are not our ways.**

God bids us to come, to quench our thirst, to partake of what is good
and to listen carefully.

**We will seek the Lord while he may be found,
and will call upon him lifting up our worship and our praise.**

*Hymn, No. 731

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AUSTRIA

A Witness on Giving

"Stepping Up In Faith"

Jess Tack & Mark Stout

Opening Prayer[†]

**We come before you, gracious God,
seeking what money cannot buy.**

Only you can provide nourishment for our souls.

There is no other source of meaning in our mixed-up world.

We can find no fountain of strength or sustenance apart from you.

Surely you can be found where two or three are gathered together.

As a community of faith, we call on you,

believing that you are nearer than our next breath,

more available to us than we can think,

more caring than we ever dare to imagine.

Uphold us now that we may worship on wings of joy. Amen.

Music Ministry

How Great the Love
Trinity Choir

Mark Kay Beall

We Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination[†]

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may hear your Word with joy, and obey your will, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hebrew Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:1-9

After the reading: This is the Word of God.

Thanks be to God!

Psalter, page 788

Psalm 63:1-8

*Gospel Reading

Luke 13:1-9

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Sermon

"Fast and Feast "

Pastor Atanasoff

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn, No. 2132

You Who Are Thirsty

ALL WHO HUMBLY SEEK

Prayers

Offering

Offertory

Taste and See

Michael Helman

Trinity Choir with congregation (see back page)

*Doxology, No. 298, stanza 4

HAMBURG

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

The Great Thanksgiving, page 23

Musical Setting D

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not
into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given
yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

We Go to Serve as God's People

*Hymn, No. 405

Seek Ye First

SEEK YE

*Benediction

*Choral Blessing[†]

**May the light of Christ surround us,
And the love of Christ enfold us,
And the pow'r of Christ protect us evermore.
Forever and ever, forevermore, Amen.**

*Postlude

Variations on *FOUNDATION*

Joseph Martin

*Congregation please stand as you are able

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First United Methodist Church of Hershey
Celebration
Service

Sunday, March 7, 2010

Greeting

Joyful, Joyful
Adonai

(Amy DiLello, soloist)

arr. by Charlie Hall
by Stephanie Lewis

A Witness on Giving "Stepping Up In Faith" Jess Tack & Mark Stout

Morning Prayer

Ancient Words

by Lynn DeShazo

Scripture

Isaiah 55:1-9

Message

"Only God Can..."

Pastor Weaver

Holy Communion

Shine On Us
God of Justice

by Michael W. Smith
by Tim Hughes

Our Offerings to God

Prayer

Holy is the Lord

by Chris Tomlin

Benediction

GREETER:

SHEPHERD: Lisa Ginder

WORSHIP LEADER: Tom Curry

The Pastors

The Reverend Karen W. Atanasoff The Reverend Gary D. Weaver

Shawn Gingrich, Director of Music Ministry
Laura Gingrich, Director of Children's and Adult Ministries
Rachael Hall, Director of Student Ministry

Carol Grunden, Administrative Assistant
John Fisher, Financial Manager

Trisha Wymer, Receptionist Secretary
Mark Crowther, Facilities Manager

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Elizabeth Louder, oboe; Ron Louder, soprano sax

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Leah Holbrook, liturgist

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*Hymn, No. 340

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

RESTORATION

*Collect[†]

Eternal God, whose call comes to us through the scriptures, in the remembrance of our baptism and in our shared life in the church, feed us now with your Word, that we may bear fruit. Confront us with your truth for we seek to be faithful in our covenant with you and responsible in our relationships with one another. May we together witness to your steadfast love in ways that transform the world. Amen.

Service of Baptism for Myra Jean Walborn (see insert)

This morning's Baptismal cloth was hand stitched by Peter Gingrich

Music Ministry	<i>Amazing Love, How Can it Be?</i> Sanctuary Choir	arr. Lloyd Larson
A Witness on Giving	“Stepping Up In Faith”	Jess Tack & Mark Stout

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Till we meet again may His love follow you
where e'er you go and what ever you do.**

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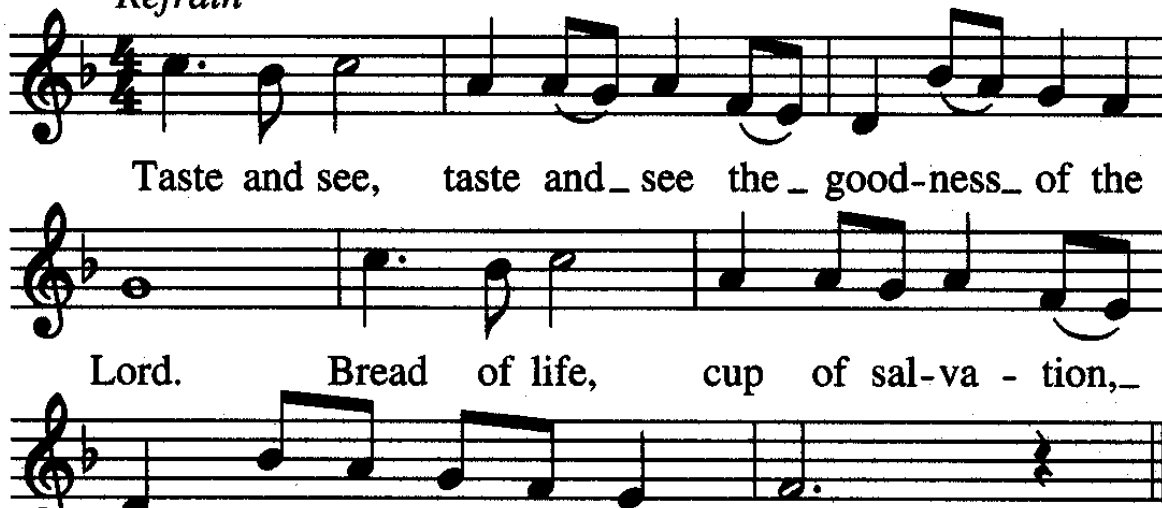
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Taste and See

Cantor Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
or Choir: Bread of life, cup of salvation, come to the banquet of love.

Choir and Congregation:

Refrain



Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the
Lord. Bread of life, cup of sal-va - tion,
come to the ban-quet of love.

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in 4/4 time, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and accessible, with lyrics written below the notes.

Cantor Lord, you write your name upon our hearts;
or Choir: praise and thanks we give to you.
Come and share the Word of life and love;
gracious God we give you glory. *Refrain*

Choir: Lord, you rule o'er all creation,
tending all with loving hand.
You gave us your Son, the Bread of Life;
Loving God we give you glory. *Refrain*

Choir: Praise to you, O God, Creator.
Praise to Christ, Redeemer, King.
Praise the Spirit who brings unity.
Triune God we give you glory! *Refrain*

From *Taste and See* (CGA1046 Choral Score; CGB408 Full Score)

Text: Michael Helman.

Music: Michael Helman.

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FIRST CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Hershey. For information visit: www.firstumchershey.org. Please join us again.

First time visitors are invited to our Welcome Center to receive a gift.

Hearing Assistance Devices are available from an usher.

Nursery Care for infants – age 4 is available during all three services.

Attendance Registration - Please sign registration pads at end of each pew at 8:00 & 11:00 services. Pads are passed from first row of each section at 9:30.

Worship CDs are available for shut-ins and homebound. Call 533-9668.

Congregational Care Ministry provides meals, transportation, cards, & prayers to church families in crisis. Call Beth Louder (533-3931) or Church (533-9668). For new parents meals, call Kelcee Spotts (566-9655).

BREAKING NEWS

The Church Office will be closed on Tues, March 9, from 9am -1pm for the Harrisburg District Ministerial Worship Service and Meeting at our church.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is being received today by Myra Jean Walborn, daughter of Cory & Melanie Walborn.

Deadline to Order Easter Flowers is MARCH 22. Forms at Welcome Areas.

Hershey Ministerium 2010 Community Lenten Worship Schedule. All services begin at 12:10pm, luncheon follows 12:50-1:30pm, donation request \$3

March 10, First United Methodist

March 17, Evangelical Free Church

March 24, Holy Trinity Lutheran host @
Derry Presbyterian

March 31, Spring Creek Church of
Brethren

April 2, Good Friday, First United

Methodist (no luncheon)

Speaker info avail. in February PULSE.

Volunteer Ushering Opportunity for PIAA State Wrestling Championships, March 11-13. Earn \$\$ for mission trips, youth voucher account. Contact Rebecca Boehmer 533-9436.

CHILDRENS MINISTRY

Summer Camp 2010 registration is OPEN! Central PA United Methodist Camp brochure is available online at www.cpcumcamps.org, with is a wide variety of camp opportunities for fun, fellowship, & community. Invite friends to be part of the summer fun. Register early for the best selection of weeks. (Be sure to check out the Elementary Camp at Mt. Asbury, June 27-July 2 – Pastor Karen and Laura Gingrich will be the Deans) Questions? Contact Camping Office – camps@cpcumc.org or 800-874-8474.

STUDENT MINISTRY

Mar. 21 Pot Luck Dinner/Talent Show - more info at Welcome Areas or from Rachael Hall 533-9668

Apr 24-25 30 Hr. Famine Lock In Newsletter at Welcome Areas

Spirit Café before/after AM Sunday Gathering & PM Sunday Night Life.

ADULT MINISTRY

“24 Hours That Changed the World”. Bible Study lead by Pastor Karen. No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering & crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. Author Adam Hamilton guides us thru the last 24 hours of Jesus' life. Sessions designed to help us experience & understand the significance of Jesus' suffering & death in a way you have never done before. Two options for this study: Sundays, 3:30-4:30pm in Church Office Conference Room, OR Friday mornings, 7:00-8:00 am in the Lounge (lower level) . All are welcome to attend!

Register now for the Demystifying Autism workshop! Over 150 people have registered, but there are still seats available!

Join us on Thurs, March 11 to see how we as a church family can love & serve those with special needs as well as their families. Registration forms available at Welcome Areas. Contact Laura Gingrich to be on hospitality team or if you have any questions.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The Kimball Grand Piano in the front of the Sanctuary was purchased recently with funds provided by numerous donors. We thank those who contributed for their support making this possible.

The next concert featured as a part our Sacred Concert Series will feature the Wheatland Chorale on Sunday, March 14 at 3:00pm. The concert is free. Child-care for infants and toddlers provided.

MISSION MINISTRY

Date Change Red Bird Mission - Beverly, KY Oct. 9 - Oct. 16. Cost is approx \$550/person. Contact Lori Zerbe by March 28 if interested or for more details 533-1372 or jlzerbe@msn.com

Path of Peace Project for 100th Anniversary of Neighborhood Center – sponsor an engraved brick as permanent tribute. Details in March Pulse.

Mission in Bolivia by the Central PA & NY Conferences. For more information, call Bob and Ginny Stevenson, 279-7213. You will be welcomed!

Czech Republic mission trip - June 11 - 21. Information at Welcome areas or call Jenny Greene @ 533-4856.

Heifer Work Camp - July 7-11 Overlook Farm, Rutland, MA, \$220. Only 4 spaces left! (\$50 deposit needed). Info at Welcome Areas or call Jenny Greene, 533-4856.

Mission trip to Kerch Ukraine Join a mission team to Kerch in August. For more information see Barb Fisher.

HOME MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Mobile Mission - March 13
(contact Jenny Greene - 533-4856)
Habitat for Humanity - April 3
(contact Jeff Black - 534-2970)

REMINDERS

Sanctuary Renovation - Almost 1/2 of the Goal - PRAISE GOD - As of Feb. 28, we have received \$533,129 in gifts toward our campaign goal of \$1,100,000. To give *Designated Gift / Memorial* items contact Paul Clark.

Weekly Bulletin/Rapid Pulse Deadline is WEDNESDAYS at noon.

April PULSE Info Due March 15. Send to carol.grunden@firstumchershey.org or to Church Office.

For FUMC Weekly Updates, email carol.grunden@firstumchershey.org

Altar Flowers Sponsorship forms at Welcome Table. Stop by today.

Prayer Time in Church Conference Room, Mon-Fri, 9am. Join us.

Don't wish to keep your Sunday Bulletin? Leave it on the stand/table as you leave worship OR drop in the BLUE Slotted RECYCLE BIN

New Procedure - All Fund Raising & Collection Projects should be brought to Church Council. Present all request forms to MINISTRY AREA DIRECTORS two months prior to event. More info @ Welcome Areas, Church website or Larry Grunden clgrunden@verizon.com.

Snow and/or inclement weather! The church will follow the schedule of Derry Twp. Schools regarding cancellations and delays on regularly scheduled school days. On weekends, call the Church Voice mail system and choose option #5 for cancellation news, OR check WGAL Channel 8, ABC 27, or ABC27.com.