

February 27, 2005

“Third Sunday in Lent”

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**Gathering Around the Word**

*This time of preparation is offered so that you may ready your heart for the worship of God. Prayer, silence, or reverent and quiet greeting of one another in Christ are all appropriate during these moments. May God bless you as you enter His presence.*

**The Chimes** (11:00)

**Prelude**

“I Call to Thee” (11:00)

Bach

**Welcome and Announcements**

Kip Caldwell

**Campaign Moment**

(8:30) Shannon Tate

(11:00) Birdie Minor

**Prayer of Preparation**

O Holy One of Israel, in Christ You call us to dwell in Your favor; we gather to praise You and worship Your name. You are the rock that keeps us from falling, the Redeemer who can save us from sin. You set us upon the sure foundation of Your commandments; You cleanse us from all unrighteousness through the gift of Your Son. Accept our words as we honor Your judgment and be pleased with our worship as we respond to Christ’s call.

**Choral Introit** (11:00) “Heaven is Counting on You”

Ray Boltz

*Men’s Chorus*

**Lenten Reading**

“Light of the World”

(8:30) Connie and Ariel Harper

(11:00) John and Lara Marcum and family

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Sing praise to the God who raises up mountains.

**People: Sing praise to the God who neither slumbers nor sleeps.**

Leader: Sing praise to the God who leads us on safe and familiar pathways.

**People: Sing praise to the God who guides us in new and exciting places.**

Leader: Sing praise to the God who calls us to be disciples, loving and serving with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

**People: Sing praise to the living God!**

\* **Hymn #128**

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

**Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

God of grace, we confess that we do not begin to appreciate the gifts You lavish upon us: gifts of life and breath, of intelligence and ability, of freedom to worship and freedom from want. We too often turn away from the banquet of Your mercy, attempting instead to fill ourselves with food that does not satisfy. We spend more time anxiously seeking after that which we do not *have* than eagerly striving after that which we might *be*. Redirect our energies and allegiances. Help us to embrace the special responsibilities that come from being those to whom You have given so much. This we ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ...(Worshippers continue in a moment of silent, personal confession.)

**Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. This means that every day is a new day to be born; every day is a new opportunity for us to live in Christ and for Christ to live in us.

**All: We will believe the good news of the gospel. Our past is forgiven; our future is open. In Jesus Christ we will rejoice this day and evermore. Amen!**

\* **Glory Be to the Father**

Hymnal, #813

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.

**Anthem** (11:00)

“Prayer”  
*Adult Choir*

Linda Spevacek

**Prayers of the People and 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.

**Proclaiming the Word**

**4¢ a Meal Offering** His Bright Lights (11:00)

**Children’s Time**

Kip Caldwell

\* **Hymn #143** “This Is My Father’s World”

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Old Testament Lesson** Psalm 24 Pew Bible, page 476

**New Testament Lesson** Matthew 6:19-34 Pew Bible, page 839

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** “Where Is Your Treasure?” Shari Achterhof

**Responding to the Word**

\* **Affirmation of Faith** The 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.

**Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings**

**Offertory** “Heaven is Counting on You” (8:30) Ray Boltz

*Men’s Chorus*  
“O How Blessed” (11:00) Brahms

\* **Doxology (#815) and Prayer of Dedication**

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.

**Bearing the Word Into the World**

\* **Hymn #663** “I Offer My Life”

\* **Charge and Benediction**

\* **Congregational Response #532** “Only Believe”

\* **Postlude** “Prelude and Fugue in E Minor” (11:00) Bach

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\* Those who are able, please stand.

**“Springing Forth in Faith” Prayer of the week** (I Kings 6:12-13)

Concerning this house that you are building, if you walk in My statutes, obey My ordinances, and keep all My commandments by walking in them, then I will establish My promise with you, which I make to your father David. I will dwell among the children of Israel and will not forsake My people Israel.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**If you are visiting** with us this morning, we welcome you! If you are interested in joining Tinkling Spring, please speak with one of the pastors. Our session meets tonight at 7:30 p.m., during which time there will be an opportunity for people to be received into membership.

**Sunday School in Spring Hall:** We will meet in Spring Hall at 9:30 a.m. today for Sunday School. Come and learn how we can “live it up” as Christians as our LOGOS 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders teach the Sunday School lesson for the day through their musical entitled “Living It Up”.

**The Children at the Lord’s Supper Class begins today** at 3:00 p.m. in the upstairs Spring Hall classrooms. Participants are asked to bring a copy of their birth certificate to share in class today. Please speak with Harriet if you have any questions.

**The Middle School Youth** will not meet tonight. Thank you for using your gifts and talents in providing our Sunday school lesson this morning! This Friday, March 4th we will meet at church at 7:30 p.m. for dinner, games and a movie. We will then head to the bowling alley in Staunton. Parents can pick up their youth at the bowling alley at 1:00 a.m. Please bring money for bowling (around \$10, extra for food) and don’t forget your socks! Please sign up on the bulletin board outside of Shari’s office. The Middle School Youth will not meet next Sunday night.

**The High School Youth** will not meet tonight. This Friday, March 4th we will meet at the Coulter’s at 8:00 p.m. for dinner and a movie. We will then head to the bowling alley in Waynesboro. Parents can pick up their youth at the bowling alley at 12:00 a.m. Please bring money for bowling (around \$10, extra for food) and don’t forget your socks! Please sign up on the bulletin board outside of Shari’s office. The High School Youth will not meet next Sunday night.

**The Christian Education Committee** will meet this Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the kitchenette. Please note the change of date.

**The LOGOS theme** for this Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> is “Asian Night”. Muriel Langouet will have the snack, and Bobbi S. will have the table cloths. Lucy H. will assist in the LOGOS Nursery and Livia G. and Carol A. will have the table decorations.

**White Easter Lilies** are available for purchase for \$9.00 to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Lilies have 5-8 blooms and are in a purple foiled 6 inch pot with a white bow. Flowers will be available to take home immediately following either church service. You may designate the lily in honor or memory of a cherished person or group in your life. Information and checks made out to Wendy Ledbetter. See bulliten for address to mail checks to. Orders must be received by March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**The Elizabeth Circle** will meet this Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Judy K. Laura B. will have the devotions and Dana H. will have the refreshments. Circle members are asked to read chapter 5 of *Five Love Languages*.

**F.I.S.H.** (9th-12th graders) will sing for the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, March 6th during the Choral Introit. Come to the sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. to rehearse. If you attend the 8:30 a.m. service, please feel free to leave after the youth sing.

**Grace Bells** will play the Prelude for the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, March 6th. Please meet the sanctuary at 10:15 a.m. to rehearse.

**Ministry Fair:** On Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, the congregation is invited to participate in our Ministry Fair to be held in Spring Hall during Sunday School

and after worship. The Ministry Fair will give us an opportunity to discover the vastness of our mission and ministries.

**Celebration Singers** are beginning to work on a new musical entitled "Somebody's Praying Me Through." We would like to invite anyone who loves contemporary worship music, including our Senior Highs, to take part. Please speak with Keith or Betsy Dishman if you are interested.

**Church World Service** continues to request health kits for tsunami survivors. Therefore, we are extending our collection time to March 14<sup>th</sup>. In a one-gallon ziploc bag, place a hand towel, washcloth, comb, toothbrush, a 4-7 ounce tube of toothpaste, bath size bar of soap, metal nail file or nail clipper, 6 bandaids, and \$1. Checks should be made payable to CWS. A collection box is in the parlor.

**Cemetery Clean-up:** Please remove all ground decorations by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Anything left over will be discarded due to the upcoming mowing season.

**Thank you to my Tinkling Spring family** for supporting me during my deployment to Afghanistan. You sent so much, I was able to share with my entire platoon! Bravo Company, 2nd platoon sends a big Thank You for your incredible generosity. A distance of 7,500 miles can't diminish the love and support you have shown for me.  
*~ Seth L.*

**Thank you** for all your cards, visits and prayers during my recent illness and recovery.  
*~ Jackie B.*