

# *The Service for the Lord's Day*

## *The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

**Our Mission: "Growing, caring, and sharing God's love  
in our communities"**

*March 22, 2020*

### *For Reflection and Prayer*

"Everything that irritates us about others can lead us to an understanding of ourselves."  
~ *Carl Gustav Jung*

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth you have for me.

Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, your will to see.

Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine.

~ *Clara H. Scott, 1895, #451 Glory to God Hymnal*

### *Words of Welcome*

*Prelude*

"Lenten Prelude"

~ *Pergolesi*

### *Call to Worship (Psalm 23.NRSV)*

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

✧ **He makes me lie down in green pastures;**

He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

✧ **He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.**

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

✧ **for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

✧ **you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

✧ **and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

**Amen.**

### *Call to Confession*

### *Prayer of Confession*

✧ **Shepherd Spirit you guide us in truth.**

**Forgive us when preconceived notions  
cloud our vision and blind us to your action in our lives.**

**We watch for signs of your glory  
in the strong and successful  
in pious acts and answered prayers.**

**But we often fail to see how you lead us in unexpected ways:  
in favorable outcomes and dreams fulfilled,  
in uncertain times that are calmed by your word,  
in death-haunted valleys transformed by your presence,  
in lonely isolation softened by your beloved community.**

**Gracious God, touch our fearful hearts with courage.**

**Touch our trembling knees with strength.**

**Touch our weak eyes with the revelation of your healing love.**

**Amen.**

### *Assurance of Pardon*

... In Christ we are forgiven.

✧ **Thanks be to God!**

### *\*Passing the Peace*

The peace of Christ be with you.

✧ **And also with you.**

### *Focus on Mission*

*“One Great Hour of Sharing”*

*Please read the story that is posted on the website with the bulletin.*

### *Prayer for Illumination*

Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us by your Word through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### *First Lesson – 1 Samuel 16: 1-13*

Here ends the first lesson.

✧ **Thanks be to God!**

### *Second Lesson – John 9: 1-41*

May these ancient words of scripture  
become for us the living word of God.

✧ **Amen.**

*Sermon*      “Seeing What Really Matters”

*Solo*          “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”  
                    *Ric Fernandes*

*Arr: Wallace Hornibrook*

*Affirmation of Faith – (Romans 8:1, 28,38-39)*

- ✘ **We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.**

*Pastoral Prayer*

*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 Offering*

*If you have your offering ready to mail or to set aside until we are able to worship together again, please hold it in your hands as we pray together:*

*Prayer of Dedication*

Your spirit renews and refreshes us whether or not we deserve it. Please, use these gifts and us to welcome the stranger, feed the hungry, and bring relief to the weary and homeless, we pray. Amen.

*Musical Selection*      “Amazing Grace”

*Benediction*

## *Assisting in Worship*

Ric Fernandes, Soloist  
Sally Waugaman, Music Director

## *Remember in Prayer*

*Pray for all those touched recently by violence and natural disasters,  
the healing of national hostility and mistrust, efforts to feed the poor and provide shelter for the homeless in  
our area, and the following people:*

Linda Book – *has restarted chemotherapy but is having a rough time.*

Shannon Dunford – *has taken an unfortunate turn for the worse in her  
long battle with cancer but is for the time-being holding her own.*

Leon Hendershot – *cousin of Sandra Hrin and Mary Boyer, restarted chemotherapy.*

Erin Jones – *friend of Sandra and Bill Hrin, will begin radiation following successful surgery.*

Sharon Mann – *sister of Charlotte Jacobs and John Still, slowly improving from several medical issues.*

Hull McLean – *readmitted to Christiana Hospital with major complications following discharge from surgery.*

Retired Col. Richard Quinn – *relative of John Still and Sandra Jofre, slowly recovering following hospitalization.*

Midge Reed – *asking for prayers to help her deal with the effects of mesothelioma.*

John Ruff – *neighbor of Sarah Ortolani, being treated for cancer and cardiac complications.*

Beth Scott – *friend of Midge Reed, undergoing chemo treatments for liver cancer.*

Jacquie Zilliox – *friend of Sandra and Bill Hrin, still in the hospital making very slow progress from infection.*

## *Announcements*

**All worship services and other church events have been cancelled through March 31<sup>st</sup>.** We will continue to provide a shortened, recorded service on our website until that time. Find us at: [www.westminster-rehoboth.org](http://www.westminster-rehoboth.org).

**Welcome to worship!** Even though we are not able to be together physically, we hope that as you participate in the in the recorded worship service today that you will encounter the Spirit of Christ that transcends walls and miles, barriers and boundaries, and that joins our hearts and minds together as one. If you are not able to listen to the service but are reading this may you awaken to the communion in Christ that we share in the living Word.

**Even though we can't worship together** we recognize the need for continuous communication with one another. To that end, elders and deacons are calling every member each week to touch base and to see what you might need. If you miss their call but have questions or concerns, please feel free to call them back.

**We thank Sally Waugaman and Ric Fernandes** for adding their musical talents to our recorded service today.

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### **Beebe Hospital COVID-19 Precautions: Revised Visitation Policy**

- Visitation hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Two entrances will remain open for visitors. This includes the Main Entrance near the parking garage, and the Emergency Department Entrance.
- The East Entrance near the flag pole will be closed to visitors.
- Patients who are being evaluated for or who have been tested positive for COVID-19 will not be permitted to have visitors.
- Patients will need to specify one (1) essential visitor such as spouse, parent, caregiver, domestic partner, support person, or adult child 17 and over, who will be permitted to visit them while in the hospital.
- The name of the one essential visitor will be recorded in the hospital's system.
- Only the one (1) essential visitor will be permitted to visit the patient for the duration of their stay. Other visitors will not be permitted to enter the Margaret H. Rollins Lewes Campus to wait in any area of the facility including waiting rooms, cafeterias or hallways.
- The identified essential visitor will be screened upon arrival to the hospital and may not be able to enter if they are deemed potentially infectious.
- Children 16 and under will not be allowed to visit.

**Life with Coronavirus is rapidly changing daily.** As a result our responses are having to change with the changing conditions. Please visit the Delaware Division of Public Health website for information and to see what Delawareans should do:

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph/epi/what-delawareans-can-do.html>

Also, the following box provides a convenient directory of ways that you can get the latest information about the Coronavirus in our state and get answers to questions that you might have:

# **CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**



DELAWARE HEALTH  
AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
Division of Public Health

## **Questions about coronavirus in DE?**

**DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
CALL CENTER**

 **1-866-408-1899**

 **DPHcall@delaware.gov**

### **Hours of Operation**

**M-F 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.**  
**Sat.-Sun 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**The call center is open to take questions from the public, schools,  
medical providers, and community organizations.**

People with hearing impairments can dial 7-1-1

**For the latest Delaware updates:**  
**de.gov/coronavirus**

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**DEACONS 2020**

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