

## OPENING PRAYER:

Loving God, patient Friend, walk with us this Lent and help us see our desire to be known, praised, admired for what it is. Help us see how we have bought into believing that our worth comes from what we do and how we are noticed. Remind us that faithfulness is often hidden, humble and simple. Give us a generous dose of self-confidence mixed with humility. And when we get confused and out of balance, bring us home to our true selves and set our eyes upon Jesus, our companion and guide. **Amen.**

**PRELUDE:**                    **The Cross of Christ**                    (arr. Edwards)  
   **Adele Harrison, organ**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**                    **Rev. Mark Juengel**

**INTROIT:**                    **Lord Jesus, Think on Me**  
   **Chancel Choir**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**                    **Sherry Milliken**

Leader: Lent is a coming home,

**People: Home from weary years,**

Leader: Home to calm our fears,

**People: Home to dry our tears.**

Leader: Lent is a coming home,

**People: Home to remember our name,**

Leader: Home to a warm embrace,

**People: Home to a hopeful place,**

Leader: Home to God's own heart,

**People: Home to a renewal of joy and a song of love.**

**\*HYMN #213:**                    **“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Purifying God, we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, and in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol. Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us. Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice. Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world, with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**KYRIE:**                    **Hear, our prayer, O Lord,**  
   **Hear, our prayer, O Lord,**  
   **Incline Thine ear to us and grant us Thy peace.**

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:**                    **Sherry Milliken**

The Apostle Paul reminds us that we do not make ourselves righteous. Our righteousness comes through faith in Christ, who has made us his own. Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. The old life has passed away and a new life has begun. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the **Friendship Attendance Pad** at the end of the pews. This allows the church to be in touch with you and for you to greet your neighbor by name during the passing of peace during the service.

**Palm Sunday Service – April 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am**  
**Maundy Thursday Service – April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**  
**Easter Sunday Service– April 20<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

**ASL INTERPRETER SCHEDULE** - Our ASL or American Sign Language Interpreter, will be joining us next **Sunday April 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup>**. If you are aware of anyone who might benefit from this service, please let them know and invite them to worship with us!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - There will be a meeting for anyone interested helping with Vacation Bible School this year during coffee hour on **Sun. April 6<sup>th</sup>**. VBS will be held June 23rd-27<sup>th</sup> during the evening. If you are interested in helping but are unavailable for the meeting please let **Kathy Smith or Jill Juengel** know.

**PALM SUNDAY** - The Christian Education Committee will be sponsoring our annual Palm Sunday Breakfast after the service on **Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>**. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the entryway for those wishing to bring items for the breakfast. We will be coloring eggs as well as having an egg hunt after breakfast, *(this will be instead of an egg hunt on Easter Sunday)*. We will also need donations of plastic eggs and small wrapped candy that will fit inside the eggs. We ask that the eggs and candy be brought to the church no later than **Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**LENTEN FOOD DRIVE** - We will be hosting a food drive to help support **St. Paul's Community Pantry**. Below is a list of some recommended items from the pantry. Please bring your items to the church **on or before April 13<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday)**. If there are any questions, please see **Michelle Westbrook**. Thank you.  
**Items needed: Tuna, Mac and cheese, Pasta, Pasta sauce, Canned fruits, Canned vegetables, Breakfast bars and Pop tarts.**

**EASTER FLOWERS** - We will be taking orders through **April 13<sup>th</sup>**.

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY SERIES** - Streams of Living Water: Essential Practices from 6 Great Traditions of Christian Faith. **Wednesday at 6:30pm and Thursday 11:00am.**

**TAGS AND TREASURES - May 31<sup>st</sup>** - The Tags and Treasures team will start receiving your donations on Sunday mornings beginning on **March 9<sup>th</sup>**. Please leave your items in front of the folding door partition in Blough Hall. If you have items to be picked up please arrange a date and time with **Bill Rockafellow**. Thank you!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - Please sign up in the vestibule to be an **Usher** and to host **Coffee Hour** and **Good News Café**. For **Liturgists** see **Adele Harrison** and to help with **Communion** see **Ann Marie Grilk**.

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

### Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>

11:00am: Staff Meeting  
11:00am: Small Group Monday  
12:00pm: AA Meeting

### Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>

10:00am: Handbell Choir  
11:00am: Chancel Choir  
**12:15pm: Worship & Music Mtg.**  
8:00pm: NA

### Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

12:00pm: AA Meeting  
5pm-8pm: Cub Scouts  
6:30pm: Bible Study

### Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

**9:00am: Admin & Finance Meeting**  
11:00am: Bible Study

### Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>

**11:30am-1pm: Good News Café**

### Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

**Palm Sunday**   
10:00am: Worship Service  
**Palm Sunday Breakfast**  
**Easter Event**  
**Deacon's Meeting**

### Liturgist Schedule:

04/06: Sherry Milliken

04/13: Nancy Vignau

*(Palm Sunday)*

04/17: Church Youth

*(Maundy Thursday)*

04/20: John Ehlers

*(Easter Sunday)*

04/27: Kathy Smith

### Usher Schedule:

04/06: Cathy Lee

04/13: Janet Stiefel & Dave Smith

*(Palm Sunday)*

04/17: TBD *(Maundy Thursday)*

04/20: Jill Juengel &

Pat Gemeinhardt

*(Easter Sunday)*

04/27: Pat Schmidt & Becky Lee

### April - Communion

**(April 6<sup>th</sup>)**

Set Up & Clean Up:

Jill Juengel

Servers: Jill Juengel

Kathy Smith

Janet Stiefel

Robert Pinkney

Bill Chicosci

### Maundy Thursday Communion

**(March 17<sup>th</sup>)**

Setup & Clen Up:

Ann Mari Grilk.

Servers: Ann Marie Grilk

Beth Crowley

### JOYS and CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF 4/6/25

\*Prayers for the Vanderstad family.

\*Prayers for Sue G. who is recovering from knee surgery.

\*Prayers for Bill C.

\*Prayers for Bob B. who is in Carbondale Rehab.

\*Prayers for the family of Roger, Kathy & Dave S.'s friend.

\*Prayers for Bud, Adele's husband who is in the hospital.

\*Prayers for Pat S.

\*Prayers for Steve, Nancy V.'s husband.

\*Prayers for Ann, Sherry M.'s sister-in-law, her nephew Tommy & her dad.

\*Prayers for Patrick, Kathleen R.'s brother

\*Prayers for Jane J.

\*Prayers for Jenny, daughter of Betsy F.

\*Prayers for Sue B.

\*Prayers for John M.

\*Prayers for Karen, Bill R.'s cousin.

\*Prayers for Ken, Ann Marie's brother-in-law.

\*Prayers for Cindy, sister of Beth C.

\*Prayers for Kevin M.

\*Prayers for Tara Dalton, friend of Virginia Romaine, who is battling cancer.

\*Prayers for April, daughter of Laura, friend of Virginia Romaine.

\*Prayers for Jennifer T., daughter of Ron Dutton who lives in Philly and is battling breast

cancer.

\*Prayers for John E.'s sister-in-law Stacy, who is having cognitive issues with a Frontal lobe

disease.

\*Prayers for Natalie, Ruth C.'s granddaughter.

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMN #708:**

**“We Give Thee but Thine Own”**

We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

**SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST:**

**Rev. Mark Juengel**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:**

**Sherry Milliken**

I have tried to "Do my own thing" and I am stuck here in the wilderness, O God. The land is barren, and the way before me is unclear. I thought I could blaze my own trail and go it alone, but I find myself feeling so lonely and lost. I am parched. I have ignored the good news at my fingertips. I have turned away from pensive thoughts on your word. So, turn me around, Lord, and open my heart to receive what you have for me today -- as I ready myself to walk again with you. **Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON: John 12:1-8**

**Sherry Milliken**

**SECOND LESSON: Isaiah 43:15-21**

**Rev. Mark Juengel**

**MUSIC MEDITATION: In This Place, At This Time**  
Chancel Choir

**Dengler**

**TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS**

**SERMON: “Here’s a New One”**

**Rev. Mark Juengel**

**INVITATION TO OFFERTORY**

**OFFERTORY: Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God** (arr. Thompson)  
Handbell Choir

**\*DOXOLOGY: “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**\*HYMN #221: “O Scared Head, Now Wounded”**

**THE LORD’S SUPPER**

**INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

**COMMUNION LITANY**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Leader: Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise...

**SANCTUS (Hymn #1)**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!,  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in Three persons, blessed Trinity.**

Pastor: Great is the mystery of faith

**People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND SHARE THE ELEMENTS**

**COMMUNION RESPONSE**

Minister: The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**People: And all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**

Minister: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**People: And forget not all his benefits. Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life and renewed us for your service. We give ourselves to you, and ask that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom. May our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #65: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”**

**THE BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:**

**“Cwm Rhondda”  
Adele Harrison, organ**

**Jordan**

\*Please stand if you are able.

# First Presbyterian Church of Hawley

*“Come to Grow in Love, Spirit, and Faith”*



**April 6, 2025**

**10 AM**

**Communion  
Fifth Sunday of Lent**

First Presbyterian Church  
815 Church Street, Hawley, PA 18428  
570-226-4835  
Web: fpchawley.org

*“I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.”*

**Isaiah 43:19**

*Please take time to prepare for worship through meditation and prayer during the prelude. As the prelude begins, quiet your voice and soul. With music and prayer let us move from “getting to church” to “being the church” as we worship together.*