

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC
www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932
Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 23, 2025
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Blaine Breeden

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude: "The Breath of God"

Landis

Call to Worship

L: We gather this day to worship our God, whose words and ways challenge us.

P: God invites us to lose our selfish ways to find ourselves.

L: God urges us to empty ourselves to discover life's fullness.

P: God bids us to be obedient to a divine will so we might know true freedom.

ALL: We come seeking nourishment for our spirits in this growing season of Lent.

Hymn: "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" – Red Hymnal #68

Tourjee

Confession

L: Let us confess before God our tendency to profess our faith in moments of enthusiasm and deny our faith in times of stress.

ALL: God of compassion, you know how we rebel against you. You know how we doubt and fear and hold back when you call us to freedom in Jesus Christ. God, forgive us. Free us by the power of the cross, that we may serve you without fear.

Grant us your peace through Jesus Christ, who was faithful to the end. Amen.

L: Blessed are those who ask for forgiveness, for they shall be forgiven.

Joyful Singers: "A Sunbeam for Jesus"

Page/Shafferman

Children's Message- Pastor Cathy

Scripture: Luke 7: 36-50 – Nancy King

Message: Dinner Interrupted

Hymn: "My Tribute" – Red Hymnal #11

Crouch

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

275th Anniversary Moment- Nancy McIntyre

Announcements, Joys, and Prayer Concerns

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

Extinguish 3rd Lenten Candle

*Closing Hymn: "At the Cross" - Red Hymnal #188

Hudson

*Benediction

*Postlude: "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Smith

*All who are able, please rise.



Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns

March 23, 2025

Visitors...

Thank you for joining us today. We are happy to have you here. Please sign the guestbook located at the bell tower. Since you may be unfamiliar with us, below are some housekeeping items to help you find your way around:

- Restrooms are located in the overflow room, in the new section by the office, and down the stairs from the new sections.
- Brown offering envelopes are located in the pew backs and also on the cart by the bulletins. The offering plate is located on the cart.

Harvest of Hope Volunteers Needed for March 25th...

Three to four volunteers are needed for the Harvest of Hope Food Pantry on Tuesday, March 25th, starting at 4:00 PM.

Cemetery Notice...

This is a reminder from the Cemetery Board to remove Christmas and winter items from the cemetery ASAP, so you don't lose them. Thank you.

Lischey's Hosting Mid-Week Lenten Meal and Service...

St. Peter's Lischey's UCC will be hosting a mid-week Lenten Community Service and Meal on **March 26th**. We are seeking volunteers to contribute soup, crackers, vegetable & fruit trays, cookies, and drinks to serve approximately 100 people. A signup sheet for both food donations and attendance is available on the table in the overflow room. Thank you for your support as we come together during this meaningful season!

The Giving Tree is once again adorned with leaves...

We invite you to select one or more leaves, write your name on the back, and place the corresponding dollar amount in an envelope along with the leaf or leaves. The Mission Committee is raising funds to support the missions of the two guest speakers: *Harvest of Hope* from March 16th, and *Hanover Area Council of Churches* on April 6th. Your generous support will help provide a Love Offering to these vital organizations that deliver essential services to our community. Thank you for your contribution! *The Mission Committee*

Easter Lilies - Order Now!

Easter Lily season is upon us! The cost is \$8.50 per lily, and orders must be placed by April 13th. To place your order, please call Carol Brown at 717-891-1440. Dedication forms are available on the cart next to the bulletins in the overflow room. Simply complete the form and drop it, along with your payment, into the offering plate.

SPLATT - Sight and Sound Bus Trip to See Noah on July 16th...

The SPLATT group has secured extra tickets this year for the *Noah* production, but they're selling quickly, and seating is limited! Tickets are priced at \$100, which covers both your ticket and transportation. If you'd like to join us, please see Bud to get added to the list. We'll meet at the church on July 16th to board the bus. Baileys has us scheduled to depart by 9:30 AM. After the show, the group plans to stop at Golden Corral for a late lunch. (This cost is not included in the ticket price.) Don't miss out – reserve your spot today!

Harvest of Hope Food Collection- ALL ITEMS DUE MARCH 30TH...

Throughout March, Lischey's will be gathering essential items to help provide Easter meals for those in need. **WE STILL NEED TO COLLECT ABOUT 50 OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- **Boxed Potatoes**
- **Boxed Stuffing**
- **Chicken or Turkey Gravy**

Your generosity makes a difference! Thank you for your continued support of Harvest of Hope.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering March 30th...

One Great Hour of Sharing is one of four special mission offerings of the United Church of Christ. This Lenten Offering supports the disaster, refugee, and development ministries of the United Church of Christ within Wider Church Ministries. Envelopes are on the cart by the bulletins.

Thank you to our helpers this week:

Next week's helpers are:

<i>Harvest of Hope on Tuesday, March 25th</i>	Joy Spangler & Cheryl Albright (3 or 4 more volunteers needed)	Next work session- 4/29/2025- Sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.
<i>Gathering Music</i>	Blaine Breeden	Don Carl
<i>Lay Liturgist</i>	Nancy King	Melisa Altland
<i>Children's Message</i>	Pastor Cathy	Melisa Altland
<i>Acolyte</i>	Sam Wagaman	Sage Freed
<i>Greeters</i>	Melisa Altland & Michele Hamme	Connie & Mike Neiderer
<i>Money Counters</i>	Carol Brown, Lois Nelson, & Joann Hoffman	Lisa Crisamore, Don Carl, & Pat McKowen
<i>Sound & Streaming</i>	Joy & Larry Spangler	Don Carl & Pat McKowen

Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...

Tuesday, March 25 th	4:00 PM	Harvest of Hope Volunteer Hours
Wednesday, March 26 th	6:00 PM	Mid-Week Community Lenten Dinner & Worship Service at St. Peter's Lischey's UCC, Spring Grove
Thursday, March 27 th	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice
Sunday, March 30 th	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	9:30 AM	Children & SPLATT Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Wednesday, April 2 nd	6:00 PM	Mid-Week Community Lenten Dinner & Worship Service at St. Paul's Lutheran, Stoverstown
Sunday, April 13 th	9:30 AM	Joyful Ringers Practice
Monday, April 14 th	7:00 PM	Council Meeting

Office Hours...

The office will be open during the hours listed below. Doors will be locked for security; therefore, we ask that you call (717) 225-3932 to let us know you are coming. Staff will be there at the following times:

Cathy Sherry, Pastor	Tue/Wed	10:00 AM - Noon
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Mon-Thur	Noon - 2:00 PM

Upcoming Birthdays (*Designates Over 80)

March 24	Cameron Freed	March 28	Michael Neiderer
March 25	Donald Carl	March 30	Tammy Wetzel

Our Response to God's Love for Last Week was...

Attendance	64- 62 Sanctuary/ 2 YouTube	
Current Offering		\$5,665.00
Loose Offering		40.00
OCWM		170.00
Memorial Fund		125.00
Giving Tree		180.00
Harvest of Hope Food Pantry		500.00
Total		\$6,680.00