



Latrobe Presbyterian Church

428 Main Street
Latrobe, PA 15650



*Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love.
Grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth,
and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly
proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

1ST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 18, 2024

11:00 am - Main St.

GATHERING

*Prayer Request Cards (blue) are inside the Pew Card Holder. The ushers will collect the request cards before the Prelude. The **bold print** invites the people to read aloud and/or sing. An asterisk * invites the people to stand. Please sign the register in the pew pads.*

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Derek Campbell

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

2 Thess. 3:18

PRELUDE

SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

Lector, Cecilia Long

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

.....one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

***HYMN 41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above**

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORY TO THE FATHER – HYMNAL 581**

*THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

(Greet one another with the words, "Peace be with you.")

41 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
 2 O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace,
 3 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 4 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love:
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space,
 Al - might - y, your power has found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form;
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills; it de - scends to the plain,
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.
 and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.

Addressing the first two stanzas to the singers of the hymn and the last three to God, this free paraphrase of Psalm 104 recasts the psalmist's imagery with baroque verve. Though it was first published in England, the tune has been more popular in North America than there.

CHILDREN'S TIME

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Lector

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

PSALM 104:1-12

Hal H. Hopson

Lector

Musical notation for Psalm 104:1-12, featuring two staves of music in G major and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord. Praise the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 13:1-32

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Rev. Derek Campbell

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***HYMN 171 A Sower Came from Ancient Hills**

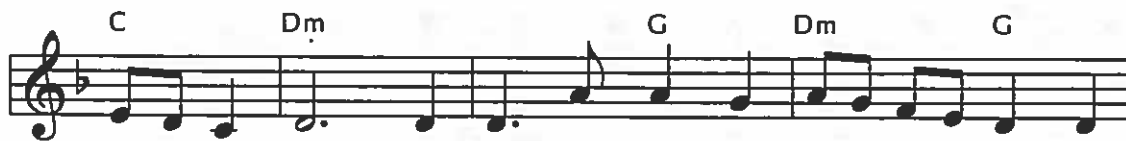
***APOSTLES' CREED** *(Traditional-page 35 before Hymn #1)*

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.

171 A Sower Came from Ancient Hills



1 A Sow - er came from an - cient hills and cast good
 2 A Sow - er walked through - out the land and, ev - ery -
 3 The Seed was bur - ied deep in death be - neath a
 4 O Christ, you come a - mong us still, the Sow - er



seed a - broad: his field, ten thou - sand hu - man hearts; his
 where he trod, he sowed his life be - cause he was him -
 blood - red sky, and deep - er still was bur - ied hope for
 and the Seed. As once you sowed the truth of God in



seed, the word of God. And some who lis - tened would not
 self the Seed of God. But then, a - top a bar - ren
 those who watched him die. But then, in Jo - seph's gar - den
 glow - ing word and deed, im - plant your Word in wait - ing



hear, and some who heard for - got. But some re - ceived in
 hill, be - neath a dark - ening sky, they threw God's Seed on
 fair, as dawn broke o'er the land, the Seed, from three days'
 hearts, and let it there take hold, un - til it bears in



fer - tile soil the truth the Sow - er taught.
 ston - y ground and left it there to die.
 si - lent sleep, a - woke at God's com - mand!
 fruit - ful lives a har - vest hun - dred - fold.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

All three synoptic gospels record both the telling and the explanation of Jesus' parable of the Sower (Matthew 13:3-8, 18-23/Mark 4:3-8, 14-20/Luke 8:5-8, 11-15). Because the seed equals "the word," Jesus (as the Word made flesh) becomes the Seed in this expansion of the parable.

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Pastor Derek, Unity Chapel 250

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

.....and so with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray.

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Lead me, Lord, in Thy Righteousness
The Chancel Choir

S. S. Wesley

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.
Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety; for it is
thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

***DOXOLOGY - 606**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

DOXOLOGY - 606

SENDING

***HYMN 450 BE THOU MY VISION**


***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMNAL 568**

POSTLUDE


Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) Eb (G) Ab (D/F#) Eb/G (A7) Bb7 (D) Eb




1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) Bb (D) Eb (G) Ab (A) Bb




naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) Ab (D) Eb (F#m7) Gm7 (G) Ab (A) Bb



thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) Eb/G (G) Ab (D) Eb



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

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These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

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The flowers this morning are in loving memory of
Dorris Parker

Serving as Greeters this morning are: - **Elder Cindy Soltys and Deacon Liz McBroom.**

Our **Hospitality Table Hosts** this Sunday are members of **Team 5:**
Emily McMahan, Diane McNealy, Jen McNerny and Jan Mills.



USHERS serving you this morning are members of: **Team VI:**
Ed McKinnon-Captain, Jason Huska, Scott McNerny, Howard Reynolds, Robert Witherspoon and Gary Zimmerman.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The first **Confirmation Class** will meet in the **Vogelsang Room** following **Worship** today.

The **Soup and Study** will begin on **Wednesday, February 21.** Soup at 6:00 pm followed by Study at 6:30 pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the Sanctuary if you would like to bring soup on a designated date.

Sunday, March 3, there will be a dinner following a **Special Worship Service** to commemorate the **250 Anniversary of Unity Chapel and Cemetery.** Please sign the sheet in the back of the Sanctuary to make your **reservation** to the catered dinner.

There will be **no Adult Sunday school** on Sunday, March 3.

Wednesday Morning Bible is **canceled** for this week, February 21.

The Deacons are sponsoring the “**Kara’s Closet**” project and are asking for sweat pants and jogging pants in sizes 6 to 14. Please place your donation in the bin in the back of the Sanctuary.

WEEKLY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- Monday** **2/19**
7:00 pm Session
- Tuesday** **2/20**
10:00 am Founder’s Committee
- Wednesday** **2/21**
1:30 pm Property and Finance Committee
4:00 pm WOW
6:00 pm Lenten Soup and Study
- Thursday** **2/22**
6:15 pm Men’s Bible Study
6:30 pm Belles
7:30 pm Chancel Choir
- Sunday** **2/25**
9:30 am Adult Sunday School
9:45 am Children’s Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service