

† HYMN OF DEDICATION

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

#402 in hymnal

† BLESSING and BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE and GOING FORTH TO SERVE



Christ United Methodist Church

of North Huntingdon

Service for the Lord's Day

March 5, 2023

Second Sunday in Lent

THE GATHERING AND PRELUDE

Welcome to Christ Church - we're glad you are here! We are a Church family that is passionate about knowing Christ and also feel blessed in getting to know each other through worship, times of fellowship, service, and witness. If you're not a member, we invite you to join our church family.

PRELUDE

WELCOME, TIME OF GREETING, and ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist, Pam Allen

One: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

ALL: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

One: I will be glad and exult in you;

ALL: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

† HYMN OF PRAISE

#295 in hymnal

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

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Mission Statement: “To know Christ and to make Him known!”

† Indicates where those who are able may stand.

† OPENING PRAYER

ALL: Our ever-loving and most gracious God, you are the God of wilderness and water, your Son was baptized and tempted as we are. Guide us through this season of Lent, that we may not avoid struggle, but open ourselves to blessing, through the cleansing depths of repentance and the heaven-rending words of the Spirit who declares and confirms to our hearts that we are the children of God. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 121 page 965 in pew Bible

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

† GLORIA PATRI #70 in hymnal

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC “Christ Beside Me” Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Pam Allen

*The children are invited to come forward
as we sing “Jesus Loves Me.”*

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

GIVING HIS TITHES and OFFERINGS

† DOXOLOGY and DEDICATION #94 in hymnal

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SHARING BLESSINGS and CONCERNS

† PRAYER HYMN #301 in hymnal

“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

Please feel free to come to the chancel rail for prayer.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us, 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 GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 3:1-17 page 1649 in pew Bible

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE “Into the Grip of Grace” Pastor Joel