



# *Sunday Worship*

## *March 27, 2022*

*Draw near to God  
for God is waiting for you.*

\* indicates where the congregation is to stand if able  
*italic type is spoken by the liturgist – bold is spoken by the congregation*

### **PRELUDE**

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Come, let us celebrate the forgiving, reconciling love of God.*

**For once we were lost and felt so far away; now we have been found and welcomed home.**

*Know that God's love is lavished upon you forever.*

**We rejoice at the news of forgiveness and hope!**

*Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love.*

### **OPENING PRAYER**

**How incredible is your love, O God! We have been made new in your love and reconciled to you and to each other in peace and joy. Be with us this day as we hear your words of comfort and hope. Guide our lives that we may serve you more fully all of our days. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #475** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND BROKENNESS**

**Holy God, the space between us is too great—this agonizing expanse between you and us: The rift we have created by demanding our share. The distance we have put between us as we flee to a far country. The resentment we hold when things don't seem fair. Our refusal to join your gracious party.**

**Forgive each selfish request, each step away, each bitter thought, each joyless rejection. Forgive us and run toward us with open arms. Amen.**

#### **WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND BLESSING**

*...Remember the good news and say it aloud: Jesus died for me. Jesus forgives me. Jesus loves me. Jesus is good to me. Amen.*

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**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.**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** Joshua 5:9-12

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**\*HYMN #418** Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

1. Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me.

See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

*Refrain:* "Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home."

Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!"

2. Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me?

Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me? *Refrain*

3. O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me!

Thou we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me. *Refrain*

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**SERMON** All are Welcome

**RECOGNITION OF THE OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Holy God, you have given us abundance upon abundance, grace upon grace. We are grateful. Receive our gifts, bless them, multiply them, and use them, that we might see your reign at work among us. Amen.**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION 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 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.**

**\*HYMN #849** Everyone Who Longs for the Boundless Love of God



Ev - ery - one who longs for the bound - less love of God,  
(Ev - ery) - one who wor - ships God and sings glad songs of praise,



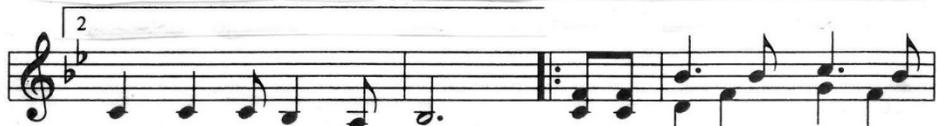
ev - ery - one who hopes for the com - ing of God's peace,  
ev - ery - one who fol - lows God's good and ho - ly way,



the Lord God who cre - at - ed all things beau - ti - ful and good



loves you more than you can ev - er ful - ly know. Ev - ery



now as one of God's own. God is al - ways watch - ing



o - ver you, God is watch - ing you with lov - ing eyes.



God is hear - ing you in all your prayers, God is



lis - ten - ing with ten - der, lov - ing ears. God shines light in



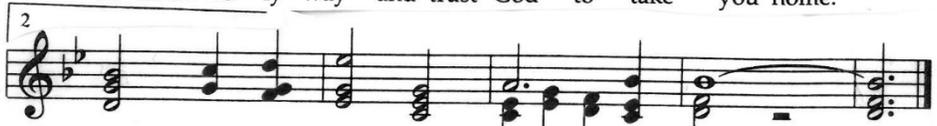
ev - ery dark and fear - ful place we go and will an - swer ev - ery lit - tle



cry that you make, so wher - ev - er you may go fol - low



in God's ho - ly way and trust God to take you home.



home, and trust God to take you home.

**\*BENEDICTION  
POSTLUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS: March 27, 2022**

This week's carillon is in memory of Watson F. Rockafellow.

**NEW CHURCH MAILING ADDRESS:** The Church is now receiving curbside mail. The new mailing address is: 1856 Forest Grove Rd., Furlong, PA 18925. We will no longer use the PO box.

**Youth Group Tonight:** 6:30 – 8:00pm – **Game Night – with a Twist.** We will play some games together but in a unique way. Come join the Fun!

**One Great Hour of Sharing:** During Lent we will be collecting donations to directly support families affected by the crisis in Ukraine. The donations will be sent weekly to the Synod of the Trinity who will match our funds. Envelopes can be found in the pews. Online donations can also be made or checks can be mailed to the church with "Refugees" in the memo line. This offering will continue through Lent and end on Easter Sunday. To-date we have received \$968.00.

**Midweek Lenten Communion Service:** Join us each Wednesday throughout Lent for a brief service at 11:30am in the sanctuary and on Zoom.

**Thursday Night Bible Study and Fellowship: March 31, 7:00pm on Zoom.** A discussion on the message of justice and grace found in *Les Miserable*. All are welcome.

**Lenten Food Collection Mission Project:** All are invited to form a "Food Team" and then collect food over the next six weeks that will then be donated to the Doylestown Food Pantry. Start gathering your "team" now and come up with a name. All food items are to be brought to the church the Sunday after Easter, April 24. Call the church office if you would like to be placed on a team.

**Friday Night Fellowship Potluck:** 6:00 – 8:00, April 1 we are going to have a time to gather together for some fellowship, dinner and a mission projects – like we used to do for Friday Night Fellowship. The church will provide ham for dinner but are asking the congregation to bring a side or dessert. There will be a mission project and of course, fun and games. Sign up in Fellowship Hall on the Card Ministry table or call the church office.

**Vacation Bible School Sign up has begun:** This year VBS will be held on June 27 – July 1 for preschool – 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Online registration is available at <http://vbspro.events/p/c805d3>. This year we are joining with The Anchor Presbyterian Church which is why you will find Anchor's name listed. This registration is for both churches.

**Sanctuary Flowers:** If you would like to provide an arrangement for our worship on any Sunday in memory or prayer of someone special, please either call the church office or sign up on our Flower Chart located on the door as you enter the church kitchen.

**Sunday Coffee and Conversation is back in full swing:** We are looking for volunteers to help with providing food, such as cookies, and clean-up. If we each take one or two Sundays a year we will be able to provide this special time together. A sign up sheet is available in Fellowship Hall or call the church office to sign up.

<b>Calendar:</b>	<b>March 27</b>	10:00am	Worship Service. Sunday school. Coffee and Conversation – Fellowship Hall.
		6:30pm	Youth Group-Game Night.
	<b>March 28</b>	7:00pm	Boy Scouts Bell Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary.

<b>March 30</b>	11:30am	Lent Communion Service in Church and Zoom.
	12:00pm	Wednesday Lunch.
	12:30pm	Knitting/Crocheting Group.
<b>March 31</b>	7:00pm	Bible Study on Zoom. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/127591875">https://zoom.us/j/127591875</a>
<b>April 1</b>	6:00pm	Friday Night Fellowship.

Elder of the Month: Terry Holton    Deacon of the Month: Marilyn Cook

***In our thoughts and prayers:***

The Conner/Lang Family, Aleena Lang, Bill Wark, Raymond Tinari,  
Dick Wright, Jim Turner, Peggy Cosner

We hold the Propsner family in our prayers with the loss of Bob's father, Robert Sr. Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."



**Church Staff**  
**Susan Fall, Pastor**  
**Leanne Yerkes, Director of Music**  
**Susan Flanagan, Office Administrator**  
**Frank Orzechoski, Treasurer**



***Easter Flowers***

**For a donation of \$10 per plant you can help  
brighten up our Sanctuary.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory/Honor of:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I wish to take my Easter Plant home. \_\_\_\_ Lily, \_\_\_\_ Daffodil, \_\_\_\_ Hyacinth,  
 \_\_\_\_ Tulip    (PLEASE CHECK PLANT AND #)

\_\_\_\_ Please, deliver to a shut-in or someone in the hospital

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Phone Number:**



**Please enclose you payment and leave in our offertory basket or mail to Forest Grove Church.  
 Donations will be accepted no later than April 11th .**