

*Bulletin for Sunday, March 22, 2020*

Greeting and Welcome

Time of Centering Prayer

Prelude

Response, Gentle Shepherd

**Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.  
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us, for we need your strength from day to day.  
There's no other we can turn to who can help us face another day;  
Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.**

Call to Worship (responsively)

L: We gather today, seeking the peace Christ gives.

**P: We gather, in spite of many a conflict, many a doubt, within our souls.**

L: We gather, hoping for the breath of God's Spirit to give us courage and renewal.

**All: Come, Christ Jesus, be our guest. Bless us through the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and give us the courage to live as your disciples day by day.**

Hymn, Blessed Assurance

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

***Refrain:* This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**

***Refrain***

**Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.**

***Refrain***

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep  
to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no  
longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.  
Set us free from a past we cannot change; open us to a future in which we  
can be changed; and grant us grace to grow in your likeness and image;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Pardon and Assurance

Lesson from the Hebrew Scriptures, Psalm 42:1-5

Gospel Lesson, John 19:16b-29

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

Musical Offering

Brian Willmore

Sermon, "Cross Words: V – 'I Thirst'"

Musical Offering, "You are Mine"

Sue Johnson

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Response, Cares Chorus

**I cast all my cares upon you. I lay all of my burdens down at your feet.  
And anytime I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.**

Announcements

Hymn, In Christ Alone

**In Christ alone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones he came to save.  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied,  
For every sin on him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground his body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me.  
For I am his and he is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme or plan can ever pluck me from his hand.  
'Til he returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

Benediction

Bind Us Together

**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.**

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

“Never stop praying, especially for others. Always pray by the power of the Spirit.  
Stay alert and keep praying for God’s people.” Ephesians 6:18 CEV

### **Our Missionaries**

Rev. Phil Godbey, Red Bird, KY  
Rev. Carlos Reyes-Rodriguez

### **Our Pastors**

Rev. Peggy Johnson, Bishop  
Rev. Joe Archie, DS  
Rev. Karen Bunnell  
Rev. Ray Graham

### **Our Nation**

President Trump, & All Leaders  
Those serving in the military:  
Joe DeHaven  
Randy Fisher (Phyllis Bixler’s cousin’s husband)  
Shane Hatfield (friend of the Pugh’s)  
William Hawkins (MacDonalds’ grandson)  
Capt. Tim Johnson  
Elizabeth Juergens  
Garrett Mann  
Joe Moore  
Brandon Pearson  
Jeremy Sanders  
Zachary Schmook  
Ethan Senn  
Zachary Senn  
Kyle Senn  
Jeff Smith  
Samantha Stapp (Nancy Leathrum’s cousin)  
Thomas Walmsley (Carolann Lewis’ grandson)  
William Henry Wright, Jr.  
Matthew Yarrington (Wanda Jackson’s son-in-law)  
Jacob Zervas

### **Members and Friends**

Les Andrews (3/8)  
Becky Bowling (3/1) (Lea Gochnauer’s sister)  
Beth Camarra (3/8)  
Charlie Campbell (3/8)  
Jackie Catron (3/15)  
Vickie Cebula (3/8)  
Mildred Chinski (3/8)  
Ruth Cooper (3/1) (Millie Jones’ niece)  
Virginia Davis (3/8) (Grace Achuff’s mother)  
Barb Dean (3/8)  
Sadie Detweiler (3/8)  
Irene Dunlap (3/8)  
Ruth Dvorak (3/8) (Sonia Dulin’s Sister)  
Jack Edler (3/1)  
Kim Ernst (3/15)  
Scott Gallen (3/8) (Faith Seltzer’s son)

Marlene Gautsch (3/8)  
Marge Jacobs (2/23)  
Bill Mackie (3/8)  
Ken McCoy (3/8)  
Alyse McKeown (3/15)  
Ed McKeown (2/23)  
Trinity McKeown (2/23)  
Ray McNemar (2/23)  
Al Morgan (3/8)  
Diana Morgan-Klusak (3/8)  
Patrick Neagle (3/8) (Moffitt grandson)  
Bill Osburn (3/8)  
Jane Arrants-Parrack (3/8)  
Gail Piazza (3/8)  
Tom Runyon (3/8) (Neta’s son)  
Ray Rutter (3/8) (Faith Seltzer’s son-in-law)  
Kameron Salamon (Nadine Allen’s great-grandson)  
Frances Schneider (3/8)  
Wayne Scholz (3/8)  
Jay Sexton (3/8)  
Robert Shumate (2/16) (Ina Andrews’ brother-in-law)  
Claire Sneeringer (3/15) (Andrea Funke’s niece)  
Byrda Steward (3/1)  
Michelle Ticknor (2/23)  
Mike VanDenHeuvel (3/8)  
Owen Wevadou (3/8)  
Bill & Sally Wood (2/23)  
Ken Wyerman (3/8) (Sue Ivey’s father)

### **Abbey Manor**

Jane Cebula

### **Calvert Manor**

Henry Jacobs  
Jim Melvin

### **Covid 19**

Those who have contacted the coronavirus  
All health professionals who are caring for them  
All leaders trying to make wise decisions in these difficult times

If you know that a church member is hospitalized or sick, so as to need a pastor’s attention, please let the Church Office know.  
Names are listed for 4 weeks. After that, if you wish a name to remain, please submit a white prayer card indicating that