

## ORDER OF SERVICE

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent  
March 15, 2020

### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

#### Announcements & Affirmation of Community

#### Prelude

**Choral Introit**      "Be Thou My Vision"      Irish Ballad

#### Call to Worship

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down;

**People: let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.**

Leader: The hour is coming and is now here.

**People: In spirit and truth, let us worship God.**

**\*Hymn**      "Come Worship God"      Red# 386

#### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession

**Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again. Amen.**

(silent prayer)

#### Assurance of Pardon

**\*Gloria Patri**      (#579)

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.

#### Children's Time

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### Prayer of Illumination

**Scripture Reading**      Psalm 95      pg. 550

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**      "Mary's Wandering"      English Folksong

**Gospel Reading**      John 4:5-42      pgs. 94-95

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**      "Real Jesus Talk"      Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

**\*Hymn**      "Open My Eyes, That I May See"      Red# 451

#### Joys and Concerns

*This is a time to briefly share about good things which have happened or to share prayer requests. Especially when asking for prayers for others, please keep in mind issues of privacy. To give a fictional example: "Please pray for Alice, who is ill" would be better than "Please pray for Alice who has gout, kidney stones, and cancer." If you would prefer to write your joy/concern, please give to an usher, who will deliver them to the pastor.*

**Offertory**                    “One God”    Ervin Drake and James Shiri  
Soloist – Benjamin Pomerance

**Prayers of the People**  
The Lord’s Prayer (sins)

**Prayer Response**            “Amen”

**\*Hymn**                    “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”    Red#541

**\*Benediction**

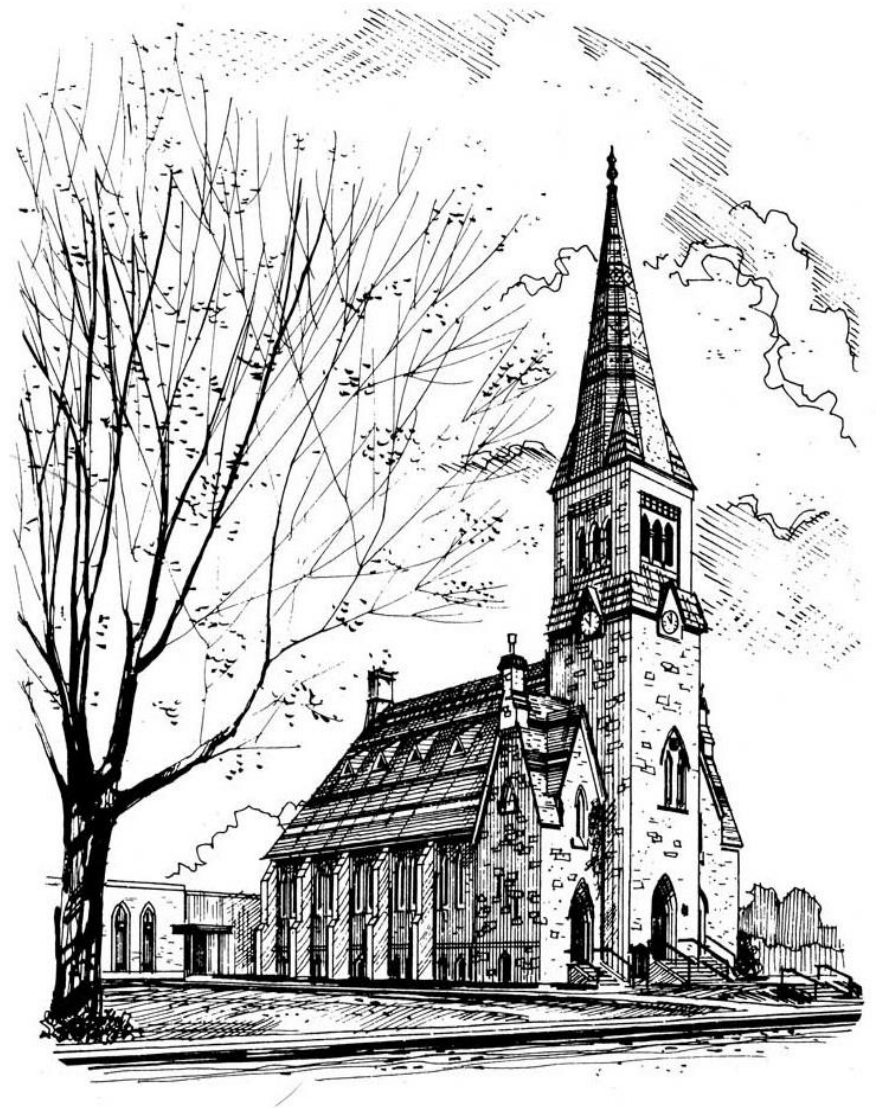
**\*Benediction Response**    “May the Road Rise to Meet You”  
Traditional Irish

**Postlude**

*All are asked to remain seated during the postlude*

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Janet Booth  
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Vicki Washburn  
ORGANIST: David Carpenter  
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**Coffee Fellowship**

There is a **need for a Host and/or Hostess** for the weekly Coffee Fellowship Hour for the month of **April**. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall on the clip board .

The new **2020 Church Directory** is now available, please make sure to take yours home today.

***Worship Leaders for March & April....***

- March 22- Luke Moore
- March 29- Carla Hausrath
- April 5-Karen Merrill
- April 12-Janora Stone
- April 19 Tracey Luoma
- April 26-Zaidee Laughlin

**Church Office Hours:** Monday 1-4pm, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00-4:00 pm, Thursday 9:00 -2:00 pm

**Tuesday:** 10:30 am Lenten Study

***MISSION STATEMENT***  
***To***  
***Worship Christ***  
***Teach Faith***  
***And***  
***Practice Love***

**Childcare is available during the service – please talk with an usher if you would like directions.**

If you are visiting, please feel welcome to come to Fellowship Hall, following the service.

**PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE WEEK March 15, 2020**

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| James Ashe          | Steven and Lydia Bailey |
| Jim and Anne Bailey | Tara Beaudet            |

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

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| John Mazur        | Barbara Doh        |
| David McCrea      | John Tanner        |
| Barbara Perry     | Jocelyn Ducharm    |
| Robert Washbourne | Carol Carpenter    |
| Ed Washburn       | Nicholas Newgarden |
| Irene Cottrell    | Brendan Lawliss    |
| Basil Duquette    | Arthur Miller      |
| Rev. Bob Svenson  |                    |
| Kathleen          |                    |

**This Sunday we thank:**

- GREETER:** Rob Meisenheimer
- USHERS:** Jim and Becky Amorelli
- WORSHIP LEADER:** Jennie Booth
- HOST & HOSTESS:** Connie Harrica and Gary Desotelle
- CHILDREN’S TIME LEADER:** Jennie Booth



A Reception to recognize those make a commitment to become Lifetime Stewards of First Presbyterian Church will be held at **2 p.m. on Sunday, March 29**. The gathering will include discussion of ideas for the future of the Lifetime Stewards' Program: annual recognitions, inclusion of former members, and perhaps triennial gatherings.

Ever consider being a Worship Leader? A new roster is in the process of being prepared, your commitment is small, once every three months and all text is prepared for you. Please contact the church office if you are interested in serving in this capacity or have questions. Newcomers are always welcome.... many hands make light work!

Please note that our **elevator/lift in out of service** and will be out of service for several weeks as parts are ordered. Our apologies for this inconvenience.

If you are **new or have been visiting for a while**, we would welcome the opportunity to get to know you better. Please take the time to fill out the information form on the clip boards provided in the center of each pew and return the form by placing in the offering plate. Thank you!

Have news to Share in the PULSE?....please send all submissions to [pulse@presbyplatt.org](mailto:pulse@presbyplatt.org)

## What's up Next....



**Children's Sunday School in March is scheduled for March 22** following Children's Time during worship service. The topic will be Lent. We hope you can join us!

### Pickleball Sunday

**What:** Youth and Family event 3-5 pm **"Pickleball for All"**

**When:** Sunday March 22, 2020

**Where:** Clinton County Senior Center gymnasium rear entrance at old MAI gym.

**Please sign up today in fellowship Hall.**

Introduction to Pickleball for families age 8 and up.

Learn the basics of using a paddle and control of hits.

Skills taught to family groups and adults.

Paddles and balls provided.

There will be very specific safety rules that must be followed! including Everyone Must sign a liability waiver

**NO RUNNING!**

Wear gym shoes to participate (change to gym shoes upon arrival)

Must not leave the gym

Bring a water bottle or other beverage in a bottle **NO FOOD!**

Friends invited too!

See or call Nancy Olsen 518-561-0189

The annual fundraiser for the **Interfaith Food Shelf- THE GRATEFUL FED -Sharing Our Abundance**

**When:** Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm-5:00 pm.

**Where:** VFW-116 Boynton Ave,

There will be non-stop entertainment, children's games, refreshments for sale and raffle prizes each worth over \$100.00. Admission is: **FREE but will gladly accept monetary donations and food for the Plattsburgh Interfaith Food Shelf.**

