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# The Service of Worship

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

\*Please turn the sound off on your cell phone

March 10, 2024

11:00 a.m.

### Prelude

### Lighting of the Altar Candles

### Ringling of the Church Bells

**Choral Introit** Return to God Chancel Choir

### Words of Welcome and Announcements

**Reception of New Members** Debbie and Andy Corn #38

### \*Call to Worship

**Leader** Friends of God, believe this – God loved the world. God loves the world, we are the beloved!

**People** **May the truth of this great love story, shine through our worship today, and renew our sense of calling.**

**Leader** Let all of us, gathered here, celebrate God’s absolute love.

**People** **As we bask in the steadfast love of God, let us share this love with our neighbors.**

**\*Hymn** [Love Divine, All Loves Excelling](#) #384

### Call to Confession (leader)

God’s love is steadfast, and God’s faithfulness endures from age to age. Our love falters, and our faithfulness waxes from day to day. Let us confess our sin and our need for God.

### Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we have taken Christ’s sacrifice too lightly. We see his suffering and death, and we do not want to follow the path that leads to the cross. We do not share Jesus’ sorrow for our sin. Help us to name our sins in the light and turn from our evil ways. Grant us your forgiveness and the courage to seek the same mind as Christ Jesus. As we look to the cross. Transform us by your grace into faithful and loving disciples. For we pray with the confidence that your Son came, not to condemn us, but to give us hope and salvation. Amen.

### Silent Confession

**Words of Assurance** Rev McDonald

**Amen** Chancel Choir

**Anthem** Man of Sorrows Chancel Choir

## Pastoral Prayer

Rev McDonald

### The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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.

### Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

#### Offertory Prayer (in unison)

God of Light, you gave us your only son so that we may experience eternal life. We humbly give these offerings as a faithful response to this gift. Money seems too insignificant when compared to your gift of life. Yet, we place this money before you as a sacrificial gesture of our gratitude. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### Offertory Music

\*Doxology #95

\*Hymn [What Wondrous Love Is This](#) #292

Scripture [John 3: 14-21](#)

Special Music Kathi Hiett

Message A Ship Without a Port Rev. McDonald

\*Hymn [When I Survey the Wondrous Cross](#) #298

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

### Schedule of Our Opportunities

**Today** 9:00 a.m. Heart of Worship in the Social Hall  
10:00 a.m. Sunday school  
11:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary  
Service broadcast on [wfbr1590.weebly.com/](http://wfbr1590.weebly.com/) or 1590 AM/Facebook Live Stream

#### Looking Ahead

Mar 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry – Room #58  
Mar 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt  
Mar 28<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Service – Sanctuary

WELCOME GUESTS! To all who seek a warm and spirit filled place to worship;  
To all who seek a church home; to all who struggle and desire victory;  
To all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tired and need rest;  
To all who are friendless and want friendship;  
To all who are joyful and want to celebrate;  
To all who are grateful and want to give thanks; to all who sin and need a Savior;  
And to whosoever will our Pastor and the members open wide the doors of  
Glen Burnie UMC, and in the name of Jesus the Lord, says – WELCOME!

## *Grief Share*

The death of a loved one is one of the most difficult things we will ever have to experience in this life. If you've lost a loved one, life for you may become confusing, overwhelming and even unbearable. You want to feel whole again, but the pain is so great you wonder if you will ever be healed. You don't feel like you have the energy to face the challenges that lie ahead.

Our Lord Jesus understands how we feel when we lose someone we love. John tells us, "When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. 'Where have you laid him?' he asked. 'Come and see, Lord,' they replied. Jesus wept. Then the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!'" John 11:33-36

This will be the fourth 13-week Grief Share program to be offered for the people of Glen Burnie UMC and the community. There have been 91 members of the church die since July 2016.

Here are a few of the things you can expect in a Grief Share recovery support group: 1) You will find that there are people who understand your hurts, emotions, and painful experiences; 2) You will get to watch a video seminar featuring top experts on grief and recovery subjects; 3) After viewing the video you will spend time as a support group discussing what was presented in the video and what is going on in your life; 4) You will have a workbook for personal study of the grieving process and to help you sort out your emotions through journaling; 5) You will discover hope for the future.

Grief Share will start on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the Social Hall.

Peace,

*Pastor Ken*

## **College Scholarships**

The Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for the GBUMC College Scholarships and will continue to do so until the end of May. Contact Debi, in the office, for an application ([office@gbumchurch.org](mailto:office@gbumchurch.org)). If you have questions, please contact Tammy Wade (410-905-1523 or [tdwade1@msn.com](mailto:tdwade1@msn.com)).

## **The Quilting Ministries**

The Quilting Ministries create and provide lap quilts for seniors. If you would like to learn how to cut patterns, pin, or sew quilts please join them every Wednesday in the Ward room at 10:00 a.m.

## **Nursing Home Ministries**

Anyone interested in working with our nursing home ministry, please contact Jan Hacker (443-995-9555). The ministry visits Morningside House of Friendship every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday and Sunrise Senior Living every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry crochets and knits items for school children, the ailing, and shut ins. They meet every 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Room #58. If you have any questions, please either call the office or Donna Haehl (410) 410-969-0541.



JOIN US FOR AN

# Easter Egg Hunt



SUNDAY MARCH 24  
10 AM

*Join us in celebrating the Easter season  
with a special activity with Ms. Chlar  
followed by our Egg hunt*

**\*\*Candy donations are needed, please place candy in the church library or back counter in social hall by 3/17\*\***

