

LENTEN WORSHIP

Wednesday Evenings

Light Refreshments and Fellowship, 6:30 p.m., Chapel Hallway

Worship, 7:00–8:00 p.m., Chapel

“Tough Faith for a Tough World”

March 11	“True Righteousness”	<i>Dr. Quinn Fox</i>
March 18	“True Wealth”	<i>Dr. David Renwick</i>
March 25	“True Sight”	<i>Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus</i>
April 1	“Making the Most of the Moment”	<i>Rev. Donna Marsh</i>

Sunday Mornings

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary), 11:00 a.m. (Jones Hall)

March 8	“Blessed to Give”	<i>Dr. David Renwick</i>
March 15	“Friends and Enemies”	<i>Rev. Donna Marsh</i>
March 22	“Giving Up on Jesus”	<i>Dr. David Renwick</i>
March 29	“Who Killed Jesus?”	<i>Dr. David Renwick</i>
April 5	“Blind to Joy?”	<i>Dr. David Renwick</i>

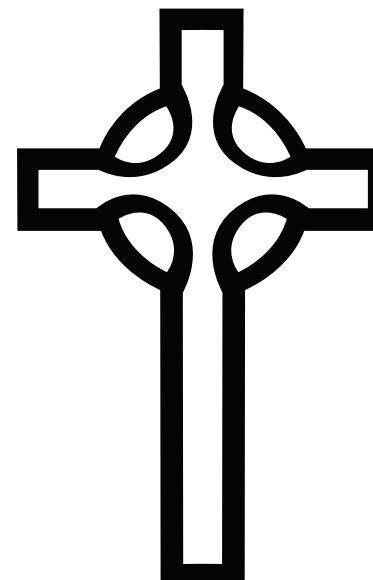
HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday	April 5 Worship: 9 & 11 a.m. (Sanctuary), 11 a.m. (Jones Hall) Concert: <i>Open Thou My Lips</i> 5 p.m. (Sanctuary)
Maundy Thursday	April 9 Worship: 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Good Friday	April 10 Worship: 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
Easter Sunday	April 12 Sanctuary Worship: 8:30, 10, and 11:30 a.m. Family Celebration: 10 a.m. in Jones Hall

LENTEN VESPERS

March 4, 2020

Tough Faith for a Tough World



*“Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to
pray always and not to lose heart.”*

Luke 18:1



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Lenten Worship at the Lord's Table
7 P.M., Chapel
Tough Faith for a Tough World

PRELUDE William Neil, organ

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN O Lord, Make Haste to Hear My Cry *Tallis' Canon*
O Lord, make haste to hear my cry, to you I call, on you rely.
Incline to me a gracious ear, and when I call, in mercy hear.
When in the morning unto you I call in supplication new,
then let my fervent prayer arise to you enthroned above the skies.
When unto you I look and pray with lifted hands at close of day,
then as the evening sacrifice let my request accepted rise.
O guard my thoughts, I now implore, and of my lips keep thou the door;
nor leave my sinful heart to stray where willful footsteps lead the way.
Psalm 141

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Lord, we do not know what we ought to ask of you: You alone know
what we need. You alone love us better than we love ourselves.
Yet we come again, in need of your mercy, depending on your grace,
and seeking your favor. O Father! Forgive our sins, and teach us how
to pray in Christ's name. François Fénelon, 1651-1715

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

LENTEN RESPONSE *Olivet*

Our faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine:
Now hear us while we pray, take all our guilt away,
O let us from this day be wholly thine!

SCRIPTURE Luke 18:1-8 Dr. Joyce Emery
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION Persistent Prayer Dr. Joyce Emery

HYMN 359 *verse 1* More Love to Thee, O Christ *More Love to Thee*

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION Rev. Donna Marsh

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation Psalm 130 *Aus tiefer Not*
Out of the depths to thee I raise the voice of lamentation; Lord, turn a gracious ear to me,
and hear my supplication. If thou shouldst count our every sin, each evil deed or thought
within, O who could stand before thee? Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not
in mine own merit. On God my soul shall rest; God's word upholds my fainting spirit.
God's promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my strong support; I wait for it with
patience. What though I wait the live-long night, and till the dawn appeareth,
my heart still trusteth in God's might: It doubteth not nor feareth. So let the Israelites
in heart, born of the Spirit, bear their part, and pray till God appeareth.
Martin Luther, translated by Richard Massie (alt)

Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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 What a Friend We Have in Jesus *Converse*

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.
Have we trials or temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
There's no need to be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness: Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Are we weak and heavy laden, burdened with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer.
He will never e'er forsake you, take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find true solace there.

J. M. Scriven (alt)

▲ BENEDICTION Dr. Joyce Emery

POSTLUDE William Neil, organ

An offering will be received at the doors as you exit.