

Paxton Presbyterian Church

Established 1732

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS IN LENT

Dinner ~ 6:30 Worship ~ 7:30

April 10

PALM SUNDAY ~ APRIL 14

Youth Easter Egg Hunt ~ 9:00 AM

Worship & Confirmation ~ 10:00 AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION WORSHIP

April 18 ~ 7:30 PM

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

April 19 ~ 7:30

EASTER SATURDAY ~ April 20

Family Easter Breakfast ~ 8:30-10:00

Easter Vigil (Sanctuary) ~ 9:00-12:00 (Noon)

EASTER SUNDAY ~ April 21

Sunrise Communion Worship ~ 6:30 AM

Worship (Sanctuary) ~ 10:00 AM

Fifth Sunday
in
Lent



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April 7, 2019 ~ Fifth Sunday in Lent

Worship Time: 10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

(Take time to prepare your heart to worship God.)

PRELUDE "Variations on 'Wondrous Love'" R. Lau
"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" L. Tourjee, arr. O. Young
OUR LIFE TOGETHER
MUSIC INTERLUDE

TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 96:2-3
Sing and bless God's name;
Tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.
Proclaim God's glory to the nations,
God's marvelous deeds to all peoples.

* HYMN 645 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Praise God. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal Page 581)

MISSION AND OUTREACH MINISTRY

EASTER EGGS— This is the last Sunday for milk and dark chocolate peanut butter eggs. Proceeds benefit the 2019 Rise Against Hunger project scheduled for Sunday, April 28th. **Thank you for your overwhelming support..**

We are accepting cash or check donations to help fund our Rise Against Hunger project on April 28.

Rise Against Hunger giving guideline:

Cost of one meal- 34.5 cents

Cost of one case of 216 meals- \$74.52

1/2 case of 108 meals- \$37.26

1/4 case of 54 meals- \$18.63

Please write checks to "Paxton Presbyterian Church" with Rise Against Hunger

in the memo line. Donations of any amount are welcome of course!!

Thanks for your ongoing support of Paxton's many mission causes and projects!

Paxton's Mission and Outreach Ministry

Many Thanks to all who participated in the Isaac's fundraiser for Rise Against Hunger. \$295 was raised toward our goal of \$3400.

TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH

WHOOPIE!



Again this year, the Paxton Softball Team will be selling Weaver's Amish Bakery Whoopie Pies. Thank you for your support last year!

We have six flavors: Choc w white filling | Choc w Peanut Butter | Choc Chip w White | Red Velvet w White | Peanut Butter w PB |

Shoofly w Molasses filling. Pies are \$2 each and 50% of the proceeds support the Paxton Softball Team. Delivery will be on May 19th in the great room.

To place your order, meet Tom Nichter outside the great room following Sunday services, April 7th through May 5th, or connect with any of the youth, men or women on the softball team.

Trivia: Whoopie pies are considered a Pennsylvania Amish tradition. They have also been known as “gobs” in Western Pa. According to Amish legend, when children would find these treats in their lunch bags, they would shout “Whoopie!”

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

MOTHER'S DAY CARD KITS are in the Gathering Room. Please take one or two home today! The cards with envelopes are sent to a remote military base for the soldiers to select and send greetings home. **Deadline for returns is April 7.**

SANTA SHOP: We are no longer collecting Sunday comics pages. We have enough to last for two years! Thanks everybody!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~ SAVE THE DATES

April 14– The Egg Hunt will start at 9:00, bring your basket and gather in the Great Room. Our first stop will be on the church steps to have pictures taken. Our children in Kid's Connection will be performing a short skit after the egg hunt on the stage in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to stop by.

April 14 - Krislund Traveling Day Camp annual Pie Sale will start with orders being taken outside the library. Pies will be delivered on Wednesday, May 15th. **Krislund Traveling Day Camp** will be held on June 17-21st. No online registration or laser tag.

April 21- No Children's Church School

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

INSTALLATION OF DEACONS AND ELDER

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST LESSON

Psalms 126 (OT Page 572)

ANTHEM “Pie Jesu” from REQUIEM

Andrew Lloyd Webber

Janet Hitz & Rachel Hitz ~ Soloists

Blessed Jesus, Lord I pray in Thy mercy grant them rest.

Lord our God, we pray Thee, grant them everlasting rest.

GOSPEL READING

John 12:1-8 (NT Page 106)

SERMON

“Is This All There Is?”

Pastor Green

HYMN 629 “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

* STATEMENT OF FAITH (From a Brief Statement of Faith, 1983 –PC(USA))

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,

and binds us together with all believers

in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

MISSION FOR MISSION "One Great Hour of Sharing" Karen Schmidt

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Joy In the Morning" Adult Choir Sleeth

* DOXOLOGY

TO GO REJOICING IN GOD'S NAME

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 630 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

* BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE "Now and Forevermore" Adult Choir arr. Hayes

POSTLUDE "Wondrous Love" Variation 4 R. Lau

* Those who are able may stand.

THE LECTOR today is Elder LaVerne Collins. LaVerne is the chair of the Christian Education Ministry.

THANK YOU FOR VISITING WITH US TODAY! We are happy to share this Sunday with you and hope you come back soon! Please fill out the yellow card and be sure to include your name, address, and phone number for our records. If you are interested in membership at Paxton Church, please indicate this when the friendship folder is passed or speak to the Pastor or Lector following worship.

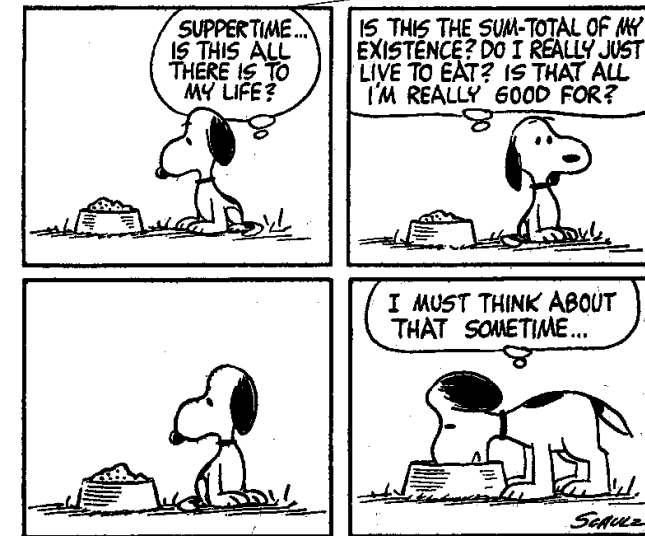
THE FLORAL ARRANGEMENT in the chancel this morning is placed in honor of all the caregivers, by Louis and Pam Robertson.

THE USHERS joyfully serving the month of April: Jerry Davies, Captain; LaVerne and Kenneth Collins, Steve March, Dorothy Nichter, Lisa Pletz, Kitti Taylor, Jan Watt.

TODAY Pastor Green will greet at the porch door, the lector will greet at the parlor door and an usher will greet at the south door.

WE HOLD IN CHRISTIAN MEMORY Martha Diffenderfer who joined Paxton Church in 1957 and entered the Church Triumphant on April 1, 2019. Our sympathy and prayers are extended to her family and friends. Marty's service will be held here at Paxton on Monday, April 22 at 11:00AM with visitation at 10:00AM.

SERMON HELP



PAXTON'S ANNUAL SPRING BLOOD DRIVE

Flowers are popping out and the birds will return to the area soon. Sure signs that spring is coming. Another sign of spring is the annual Paxton's Spring Blood Drive.

TODAY from 9am –12 Noon.

FAMILY EASTER BREAKFAST



The Evangelism & Membership Ministry is hosting an Easter Breakfast on April 20th from 8:30 - 10:00am. We will be serving pancakes and sausages along with crafts for kids and a special guest who will be hopping on over to join us.

NEW SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE SECURITY MEASURES:

As per the 2019 goals set forth by the Safety and Security Committee, Paxton will be implementing some minor changes during the worship service in an effort to help ensure the safety of our congregation. These changes will be effective Sunday, April 21 (Easter Sunday).



These changes include:

- **All church doors including the sanctuary will be locked during Sunday worship services from 10:15 am - 11:00 am
- **Any (non emergency) exit from the sanctuary during the worship service must be made through the parlor - ushers will be available to assist
- **The Boyd door entrance (D3) will be available for entry after 10:15 am and will be monitored by ushers (signs outside the sanctuary will guide late-comers to the Boyd entrance).

Please watch for future updates and additional information in the bulletins and PACE. Announcements will be made on Sundays with the opportunity to ask questions. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation! For questions please contact Dave Elder or Charlie Mory.

COINS FOR CARING in April will benefit "Rise Against Hunger". The Mission and Outreach Ministry thanks you for sharing your spare change to support this voluntary mission opportunity.

WHAT A DIFFERENCE YOU CAN MAKE! When we share of our abundance through the One Great Hour of Sharing, people in desperate situations are given life-saving food, blankets, tents and clean water in time of disaster. To recover their lives devastated by hurricanes, earth quakes, drought, floods and fires, people here in our country and abroad receive tools to grow their own food, educational support for their children, animals to provide ongoing income and wells to assure their water is safe. **You can make a difference!**



Grove Clean-up

The Grove Spring Clean-up Day will be held Saturday, April 13th from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm. The rain date will be Saturday, April 27th. Bring rakes, and tarps. We have some rakes and tarps if you don't. Also, bring pitch or garden forks, if you have them. If we finish cleaning-up leaves early, we may spread mulch. Hope to see you on the 13th or the 27th!

PRAYER SQUARE

As Christians we are called to pray for everyone in a difficult time of life. To protect the privacy of those for whom we are praying we ask that permission be received before a name is placed for prayer request.

Please keep the following members of Paxton in your prayers: Jo Cain, Kathie Zimmerman, Kacey Bowers, Nancy Wion, Christopher Bruce Family & Vera, Louis Robertson, Marian Birth, Sally Killian, Linda Brillinger, Jo Jacoby, Abby (Laughery) and Chris Black, Jay Kealey, Elsie Williams, Bob Greenwood.

Continued Prayers: Krista Baer, Jim Gischel, Carmen DeLuccia, Erin Francis-Friel, Lori Giroux, Kathy Clark, Fred Purvis, Joyce Burd, Greg Brazil, Lynn McWatters, Dennis Otte, Anya Zvorsky, Connie March, Stanley Fabiano, Deb Day, Claire Jamison

April 7— Merry Jones, Nancy Hoffman, Sherry Hower, Pat Graham, Bob Brehm, William T. Clark, Vicki Mays, Susan Schenk, Jeff Duda, Al Orlak, John Hammann

Each week we will be praying for our brothers and sisters in Christ within our Presbytery. This week we are praying for the Great Conewago Presbyterian Church in Gettysburg.

PAXTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Website: www.paxtonchurch.org

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Ministers ~ All Members

SESSION

Erika Hanes (Clerk of Session)

Connie Cochran	Evangelism & Membership
LaVerne Collins*	Christian Education
Erin Giambrone*	Mission & Outreach
Doug Hitz*	Stewardship & Finance
Don Laughery	Pastoral Relations & Staff
Rich Lengler*	Property Management
Robert Martin	Stewardship & Finance
David McPherson	Worship & Music
Cindy Mory*	Worship & Music
Gary Myers*	Pastoral Relations & Staff
Blanche Skinner	Property Management
Kristian Stennett*	Evangelism & Membership
Kitti Taylor	Christian Education

*Chair

BOARD OF DEACONS

Pam & Louis Robertson (Co-Moderators)

Nan Bonnet	Sue McLain
Linette Burd	John Moyer
Judy Daniels	Wanda Newhouse
Linda Flowers	Leigh Ramsey
Nino Giambrone	Cathy Roland
Marti Greiner	Joy Stennett
Jim Holtzman	Bev Ziebell

We are a Stephen Ministry Church

STEPHEN LEADERS

Helen Heidelbaugh
Gary Myers
Jane Rising
Jane Sanford

STEPHEN MINISTERS

Carol Anderson
Ronald Brinkley
Craig Foster
Karen Herrold
Cheryl Holtzman
Janice Hutchison
Annette Kilpatrick
Bill LaDieu
Donna Leaver
Nancy Lengler
Steve Miller
Kathy Woodbridge



For confidential referral, or if you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister please contact a leader.

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sun 7	8:30	Usher Training
	9:00	Church School
		BLOOD DRIVE
	10:00	Worship
	11:00	Sunday Snacks
	6:30	Youth Fellowship
Mon 8	10:00	Bible Study
Tues 9	9:30	Staff Meeting
	12:00	Unity Circle
	6:30	Stephen Ministry
		Hvac Tour
Wed 10	8:00	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
	9:30	Sewing
	10:00	Lenker Manor Paxtang WC
	6:30	Evangelism & Membership
	6:30	Lenten Dinner
	7:00	Shawl Ministry
	7:30	Lenten Worship
Thur 11	6:00	Lions
	6:15	Bells
	7:30	Adult Choir
Sat 13	8:00	Spring Clean-up
Sun 14		PALM SUNDAY
	9:00	Adult Church School
		Easter Egg Hunt
	10:00	Worship/Confirmation
	11:00	Sunday Snacks

How We Got the Bible

Mondays: April 1, 8, and 15 from 10:00 to 11:30 am.

Follow the Bible from scrolls to the printing press. Follow the development of the Bible as the reformers like Martin Luther, John Calvin sought to bring it into the language and hands of the people. Learn how danger and death came to those who translated the Bible in the languages of their homelands. How were the books of the Bible chosen? What is the "inspired" Word of God? What was the first Bible printed in America? Many more fascinating facts about the development of the Bible and how the course of Church History was entwined in that story are included in this four week course. An inexpensive, lavishly illustrated book will visualize this Bible adventure. Questions: contact Karen Schmidt at 717-545-3330 or kschmidt68@verizon.net.



The Deacons will be collecting
Canned Fruit , Canned Vegetables
during the month of April
for the Ecumenical Food Pantry.

Paxton Church Staff

Pastor, The Reverend John W. Green

Director of Music, Richard Fowler

Organist, Jeanne Bruce

Christian Education Administrator, Jo Jacoby

Office Staff, JoAnn Snyder, Judy Frankford

Treasurer, Laurence A. Kilpatrick, CPA

Wedding Coordinator, Peg Elder

Custodian, Mary Bowers