OLD UNION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 25, 2024, 11:00 AM

PRELUDE (Time for preparation)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 50:1-2

*HYMN "Are You Washed in the Blood?" #190

*CONFESSION OF SIN: "Holy Father, you call us to live lives of compassion and service, that we may be a reflection of your love and grace. But we acknowledge the many ways in which we fail to be faithful to your call. We allow anger and fear to dominate our lives. Our apathy and selfishness block your desire for us to encourage others and to build one another up. Forgive our sinfulness, and transform us once again by the power of your Spirit to live in the likeness of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Micah 7:18-19

*GLORIA PATRI (Song of Praise) #622

SPECIAL MUSIC

OLD TESTAMENT (Unison): Psalm 130:1-8

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Matthew 25:31-46

CHILDREN'S TIME

*HYMN "Hallelujah, What a Savior!" #175

SERMON "Here Comes the Judge"

*HYMN "Amazing Grace" #202

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (back cover of hymnal)

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY (Song of Dedication) #624

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*APOSTLES CREED (back cover of hymnal)

*BENEDICTION (Closing Blessing) Matthew 5:14-16

(Response: "...And build each other up.")

*CLOSING SONG "He Is Lord" #105 (Refrain only)

(*) If you are able, please stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dave Davidson will lead this morning's Scripture reading.

During worship today we will welcome Jonathan K. as an affiliate member. This means he will retain his membership at Grace Church in Harmony while becoming part of our fellowship as well.

The Helping Hands will meet after worship today.

Women's Association will meet tomorrow evening at 7:00.

This week's Wednesday Lenten worship service will be held at Plains Presbyterian Church at 7:00. Elder Frank A. will lead our reflection on the phrase in the Lord's Prayer "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

The Mars Friday Lenten Lunch this week will be held at St. John Lutheran Church, beginning at noon. The speaker will be Gregg H., lay pastor of Crestview Church.

We will host a one-hour workshop "Fact & Fiction: Hospice, Alzheimer's, and Memory Care" on Saturday at 10:00. The workshop will be led by hospice chaplain Gary G. and Noralynn M., RN.

We will have a congregational meeting after worship next Sunday to vote on a change to the pastor's terms of call.

The deacons will meet after worship next week.

Would you like to lend a hand with Junior Church, when the younger members of our church family go downstairs during the sermon? Speak with Jess Semler to learn more.

Mitchell will conclude his service with us as pianist in July. Please speak with the pastor or choir director if you know of someone who may wish to become our pianist after he leaves.

The Presbytery is sponsoring a free church leadership event on Sunday March 10, 2:00-5:00, at the Cranberry Community United Presbyterian Church. You can find more information in the lobby.

The Evans City Food Bank is accepting tooth paste and soap for February.

Are you interested in becoming Old Union's head soup chef for 2024? More information will be coming about the soup cook-off to be held on April 13, if there is enough interest. Each contestant will be required to serve his/her soup at the cook-off. However, if you would like to enter a soup, but unable to serve it, please indicate that. If you would be interested in being a contestant or willing to help at the event, please let Lorene W., Linda M., or Julie M. know by March 1.

Special Prayers of Concern:

Louise S.

Jim P.

Josh K.

Maggie D.

Ed & Jeanne C.

Gloria U.

Betty L.

Dolly K.

Joan T.

Howard B.

Josh H.

Mission Co-Workers

Larry & Inge Streshley, Republic of the Congo

Military:

Jeremy H.

Matthew David M.

Justin T.

Scott F.

Glen P.

Will B.

Jacob H.

Christian C.

Ryan W.

Hunter M.

Christopher H.

Arthur B.

Kevin E.

Danner C.

Daniel B.

Spencer K.

Luke O.

Addison D.

Colton V.