

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE— SANCTUARY

**Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for you. CCL#1025014**

Next Week ~ Fourth Sunday of Lent; Theme ~ Hope Unfolding: Seeing Differently
The Geneva Choir will provide the special music
Texts: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5: 8-14; John 9: 1-41

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Bucket list

each morning, I fill my bucket at the Well of Sin,
and by the time I get halfway through the day,
I have to turn around to get more;
will you meet me there to fill me with salvation?

In the middle of the night, I find my bucket
overflowing from nightmares; will you meet me
at the Well of Dreams to tell me every hope you have for me?

In the silence of my soul, I discover the bucket
called my heart is cracked by the heat of my anger,
is holed by the hurts of others; will you meet me
at the Well of Grace, to refresh me with healing's flowing stream,
to fill me with the nectar of sweet life?

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Rev. Pat



WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us. **Please stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.**

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning. **PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/CONCERNS** on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the service, and then added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-534-3739).

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*"The water that I will give
will become in them*



*a spring
of water gushing
up to eternal life."*

John 4:14

February 24, 2008



10:00 AM



Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.

Third Sunday in Lent

SILENT REFLECTION Psalm 139: 23, 24

Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my thoughts!
See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign fellowship book found in pews.

This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

OPENING SET ~ "The Lord is Present in His Sanctuary/Litany"; #2272 ~"Holy Ground"

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #2193 "Lord, Listen to your children praying"

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Rev. Pat

UNISON PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise, and ever enjoy Your consolations. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

FIRST READING

Psalm 95

pg. 933 (OT) in the pew Bible

ANTHEM

"Whiter than Snow"

GOSPEL READING

John 4: 5-42

pg. 1651 (NT) in the pew Bible

SERMON

"Hope Unfolding: Living Water"

Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

OUR RESPONSE

*HYMN #2197

"Lord of All Hopefulness"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD
OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of the Covenant, you saved those on the ark through the flood and gave them your sign of Covenant, the rainbow. Through repentance and baptismal waters we too have been saved, and made signs of your New Covenant in Jesus Christ.

Led us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.

After Jesus was baptized in the Jordan, your Spirit drove him out into the wilderness. Like Jesus, we too are tempted. Yet he showed us how to resist evil.

Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.

Coming out of the wilderness, Jesus began proclaiming your good news, saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.

Bring your reign near to us in this meal, Mighty Spirit. Draw us together in the ark of your church, that we may be signs of your covenant in the world, Covenanting God, Resisting Christ, and Saving Spirit, One God in Three. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

THE THANKSGIVING PRAYER

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #2254

"In Remembrance of Me"