

was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the prophets. And we believe in one Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE

"Hear Our Prayer"

Hear our prayer, O Lord. hear our prayer, O Lord.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, and grant us thy peace.

SERMON

Rev. David A. Jones

* PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS AND DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (using debts and debtors)

* BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

* HYMN #688 (Green Hymnal) "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

* SILENT MEDITATION

POSTLUDE "It Is Well With My Soul"

Spafford/Bliss

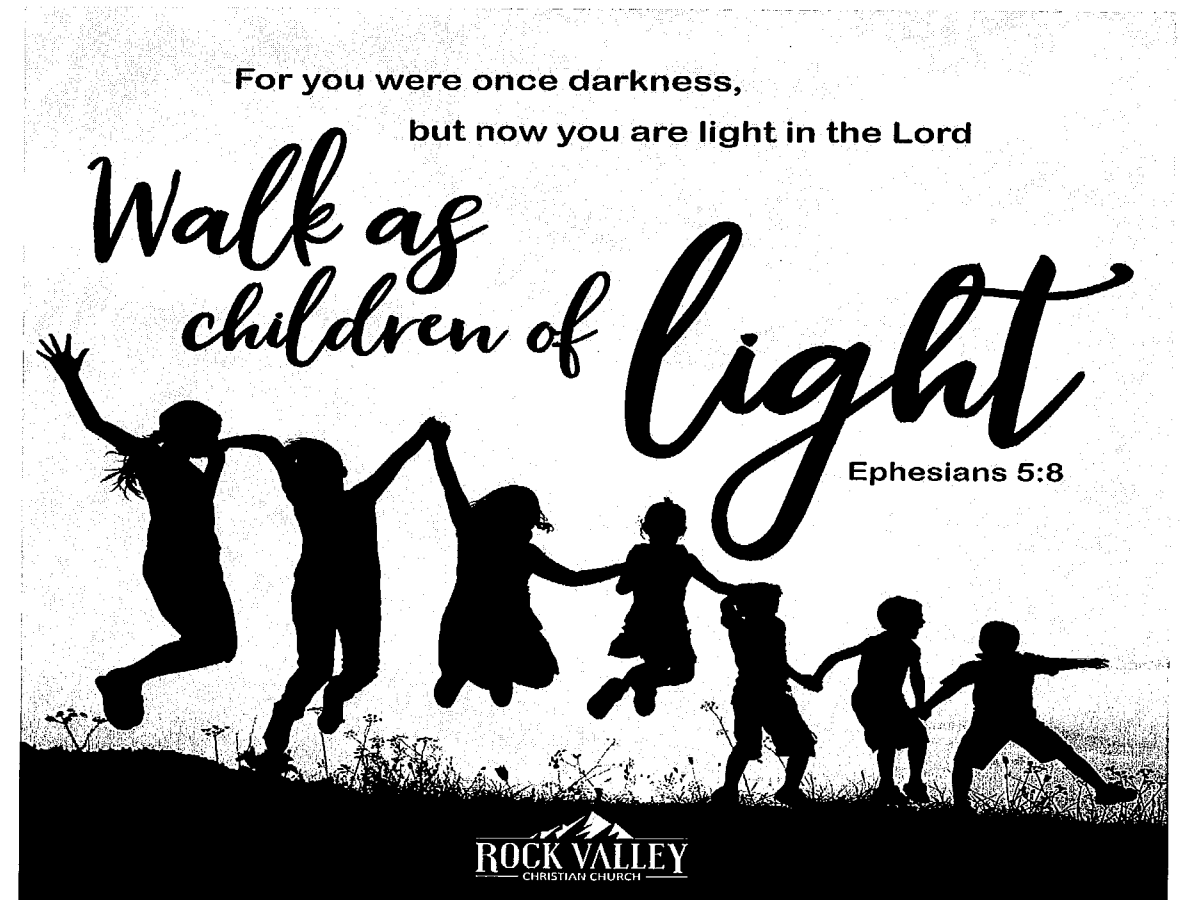
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Ten O'Clock
Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023

Reader: Heather Noll

God is Still Speaking ...

"I cannot fail to be thrilled every time I read the things that Jesus said, and I am more and more convinced of the necessity of following him. What Jesus means to me is this: In him we are able to see God, and to understand [God's] feelings toward us."
- Charles Schulz

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Balm in Gilead" R. Hughes

* SOLEMN DECLARATION AND SUNG AMEN

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God summons us to wake up and see. Light has come to lead us to all that is good.

People: Our eyes have been opened to God's goodness. We seek to live as children of light.

Pastor: God sees beyond our outward appearance. God knows the intent of our hearts.

People: We are here to find out what is pleasing to God. We want to know what is right and true.

Pastor: God listens to all who worship sincerely. Praise God with openness and obedience.

People: We seek to know and follow God's will. This is a day to do the works of God.

* HYMN #563 (Green Hymnal) "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great Shepherd, we thank you for finding us and bringing us to this time of prayer. We have wandered far from the paths of integrity, justice, and peace that you have set before us. We are ashamed of some things we do when we think no one will find out. We are quick to judge others and to excuse ourselves. We want to decide who is acceptable to you and

who is not. We have persuaded ourselves that you prefer people like us and not those who appear, believe, or act differently. Even as we say those words, we know we are not in tune with your way. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to change.

Silent confession...

* KYRIE ELEISON

*Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

* WORDS OF GRACE AND MERCY

The goodness and mercy of God are always available to us. We can receive these gifts when we are truly sorry for our sin and open to the richness of God's grace. When we let God touch our unseeing eyes, we gain new insights and can begin to view others with the compassion of Christ. Let us accept with joy the healing we are offered right here, right now. **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

SPECIAL MUSIC "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" David Music
Bell Choir

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE SCRIPTURES (Insert)

New Testament

*Gospel

Ephesians 5: 8 – 14

John 9: 1 – 12; 35 - 41

* THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

* PROCLAIMING OUR FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God; begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and

Ephesians 5: 8 – 14

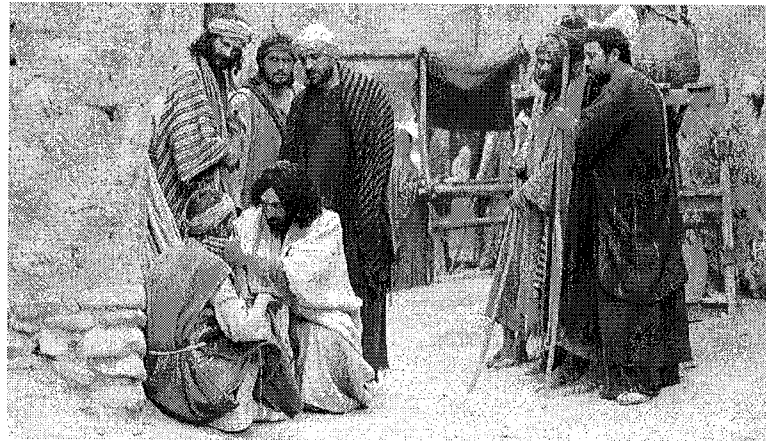
For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

John 9: 1 – 12; 35 – 41

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him,

"Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.



Jesus heals
the man born blind

ST. MARK'S PRAYER LIST

Andy Shearer

Deb Weise

Ken and Charlotte Wengert

Eva Miller

Lynn Balmer and Dave Balmer

Adria Ortiz (Cindy Johnson's Granddaughter)

Bud Kneasel (Candy Wentzel's brother)

Anna Alvarez Barber and Thomas Barber (Relatives of Rosy Gonzalez)

Shirley Troutman (Relative of MJ Jones)

Betty Aurentz

Blanche Hummel

Rod Nissley (Deb Ellis' son)

David Minnich and Nadine Smith and Millie Hoch (Friends of Deb Ellis)

Allison Hagenbuch (Jeff Clouser's sister)

Earl Whorley

Betty Showalter

Paul Peiffer

Tony Cruz (Jeff Clouser's Friend)

Zoe & Danica Hockenberry (MJ Jones cousin's twins)

Members from our church family who are shut-in or home bound

The People of Ukraine, Turkey and Syria

ST. MARK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Schedule for Week of March 19, 2023

Sunday Choir Practice – 8:30 AM
 Koffee Klatsch – 9:30-10AM and 11-11:30 AM
 Worship Service – 10:00 AM
 Adult Sunday School – 11:15 AM (Conference Room)
 Kid's Team Lunch and Trip – 11:30 AM – Fellowship Hall

Monday Christian Ed Meeting – 7 PM

Tuesday Women's Study Group – 6:30 PM – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday Bible Study – 10 AM and 6:30 PM
 Lenten Devotional – 6 PM – Facebook Live

Thursday Evangelism/Mission Committee Meeting – 6:30 PM
 Bell Rehearsal – 7:30 PM

The flowers on the Communion Table are presented by Mr. & Mrs. David Balmer, Jr. and family in memory of Mr. & Mrs. William Lengle, Sr., William Lengle, Jr. and Ralph and Nancy Dechert. The second arrangement is presented by Tim Brown in honor of his father, Fred's 99th birthday on March 18.

The bulletins are presented by St. Mark's to the Glory of God.

Flowers and Bulletins – Check with the office for available dates for 2023. Dates available for flowers – April 23. Dates available for bulletins –April 16 and 23.

If anyone worshipping with us would like to become a member of St. Mark's, please reach out to Pastor Dave.

Visitor Cards are in the pews. If you are visiting with us, please fill out the card and put it in the offering plate.

Need a ride - We are coordinating rides for members again for Holy Week services, for those who don't feel comfortable driving in the evening. If you know of anyone or if you need a ride, please let Cindy know in the office. Also, if there are any members willing to offer a ride, call the office.

Change of Address: Betty Showalter, Spring Creek Rehab Center, Room S108W, 1205 S. 28th St., Harrisburg, PA 17111 Phone – 717-565-2269

Banners – By now, I am sure you have noticed the new banners hanging in the sanctuary. We still need additional ones for the rest of the year. Members can purchase or sponsor a banner in memory of or in honor of a family member– the cost is between \$60 - \$100. Another way to contribute towards a banner is to give any amount and mark it "banner fund" on your check. If you have any questions, please see Cindy in the office.

St. Mark's 2022 Yearbook – is now available. Pick up a copy in the narthex.

SAVE THE DATES:

March 26, 2023 – Choir Lunch and Rehearsal – 11:15 AM

April 6, 2023 – Maundy Thursday Service – 7:30 PM – Holy Communion

April 7, 2023 – Good Friday Service – 7:30 PM

April 8 – Easter Egg Hunt – 10 AM – South Hills Park

April 9 – Easter Dinner – 4 PM – Hosted by Pastor Dave and MJ

April 15, 2023 – Women's Retreat – 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM – Breakfast served

April 23, 2023 – Hoss's Day Fundraiser

Conference Call information:

Dial (215) 383-1625 Enter conference code: 569284

Press* when asked for your attendee pin