

March 19, 2017
Third Sunday in Lent

Prelude: Christ Our Lord to Jordan Came J.S. Bach

Chiming of the Hour

***Hymn:** #1 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Welcome

Joys and Concerns

Choral Introit: *Jesus, Stand Among Us*

Call to Worship (from Psalm 95)

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord,

All: Let us make a joyful noise to our God!

One: Let us come into God's presence with
thanksgiving;

**All: Let us make a joyful noise with songs of
praise!**

One: For the Lord is a great God

All: And a great king above all gods.

**God, open our lips and we will proclaim your
praise!**

Prayer of Invocation (in unison)

Loving God, we celebrate your presence among us today,
and we are grateful for the ways in which you have
blessed our lives. We want to spread your love to those
who need it, and we ask for the guidance of your Spirit.
Give us the courage to speak, and the wisdom to know
when to be silent. Make our whole lives into a living
testimony to your power and love.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Hear now our silent confessions as we turn to you
seeking mercy, forgiveness and grace.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of God's Love

***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.*

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures –

Psalm 95:4-7

(Page 676 HS in the pew bible)

Children's Message and Lord's Prayer (debts)

*(Children will leave for Sunday School and Youth
Discussion Group)*

***Hymn:** #684 *Faith Begins By Letting Go*

Offering of Gifts

Anthem: *Wilt Not Thou Turn Again* Phillip Dietrich

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

Prayer of Dedication

New Testament Reading – John 4:5-42 Rev. Wall

(Page 115 NT in the pew bible)

Sermon: "A Faith Worth Sharing"

Reverend Shannon Wall

Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer

Response: *Breathe The Holy Spirit*

***Hymn:** #363 *Rejoice The Lord Is King*

Benediction

Response: *Thus With Quickened Footsteps*

Postlude: Jesus Christ, Our Saviour J.S. Bach

(*Please stand if able)

*If you are visiting us today, Welcome! Please sign the
guestbook at the front door and introduce yourself to our
Pastor or to one of our Deacons.*

Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and
fellowship following worship. All are welcome. Our hosts
today are Lynn & Rich Reifsnyder.

Please see an usher:

If you would like to use a hearing device;

If you would like to bring your child to the Nursery

Many thanks to:

Chico Aller for serving as lay reader

Orrin & Erik Rydingsword for ushering

Nancy Rossi for donating flowers

Prayer List

*Walter Crain, Alice Gustafson, Leonard Kaufman, Laura
Flores, Margie Vail, Gordon Weekly, Paul McAbee, Shirley
Rogers, Jane Fitting, Nancy Tuckerman, Barbara
Jacquette, Gloria Buckley, Petie Robinson, Gay Ayers, The
Sosnoff Family, Wilma Tillerman, Will.*

*Pastor Diane is on vacation through March 20th.
For pastoral emergencies, please contact a deacon.*

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Today 11:30 am Church Council
2-4 pm Lenten Lecture, *The Role of Music in Worship*, Dr. Jack Bowman

Tuesday 5 pm Christian Action Meeting (Refugee Family) in the Parish Hall
5:15 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday 6 pm Lenten Dinner
7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 4:30 pm Women's Bible Study
7 pm HousaTonics Rehearsal

Friday 7:30 am Men's Bible Study

Sunday 11:30 am New Members Class
11:30 am Fall Festival Meeting
3 - 5 pm Lenten Lecture, *Spiritual Encouragement for Individuals, Congregations & Communities*, Reverend Donna Schaper

OPPORTUNITIES

LENTEN DINNERS

You are invited to join the congregation for dinner on Wednesday evenings: March 22 & April 5 during Lent. The Deacons host a simple meal of soup and salad from 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm. All are welcome! To sign up, access the *Doodle Poll* in the weekly e-blast or contact the office.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS ON MARCH 26

You are invited to become a Covenant Partner (member) of the Salisbury Congregational Church. If you are interested in formalizing your commitment to this faith community, please contact Pastor Diane.

EASTER LILY SIGN UP

If you would like to dedicate an Easter lily in honor or in memory of your loved one please call the church office or pick up a dedication form in the church. Plants are \$15 each and will decorate our sanctuary. The deadline for dedications is April 7th.

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2016 - 2017**

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To Be Filled		
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