

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 7, 2010

(You may use the following prayer as you prepare for worship)

Satisfy our spiritual hunger, dear Lord, that we may have the strength to do your will. May the spirit of Christ's love be stirred within us, prompting us to reach out warmly to one another. Guide us by your Holy Spirit, that our prayers for others may serve your will and show your steadfast love; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE RINGING OF THE BELL: At this time, please help us maintain silence in the sanctuary as a mark of reverence.

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE Gayle Schaeffer

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

INTROIT **Be Exalted, O God**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being.

What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

We testify to what we have seen and heard and declare it.

Our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.

We worship today so that our joy may be complete.

To you, O LORD, we lift up our souls in worship.

*HYMN of PRAISE No. 184 *"Thy Word"*

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF SIN

Loving God, It is no secret that we do not live up to the model that Jesus set before us. Sometimes we would like to hide in a corner and tell someone our darkest moments. Sometimes it is enough to believe that you know our personal shortcomings. Change our perceptions of how things ought to be. Transform our attitudes about people different from ourselves. Vitalize us, the body of Christ, so we make visible and tangible your reign. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

From this moment on, live joyously as God's forgiven people! Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

*GLORIA PATRI (both inside cover – Burg. Hymnal)

ANTHEM **Jesus Paid It All**

LENTEN SEASON LITURGY – **The Crown of Thorns**

CHILDREN'S TIME

SHARING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS
JOYS, CONCERNS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;
Incline Thine ear to us And grant us Thy Peace. Amen.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

OLD TESTAMENT READING (p. 3, Pew Bible)

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-8

The Word of Our Lord. **Thanks Be to God.**

*HYMN No. 377 *"Nothing but the Blood"*

DEDICATION of OURSELVES and OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY and *PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING No. 815

*NEW TESTAMENT READING (p. 1278, Pew Bible)

1 John 1:1-10

The Word of Our Lord. **Thanks Be to God.**

MORNING MESSAGE

"The Darkwood, East of Eden"

"This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.

If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true;" " (1 John 1:5-6)

SENDING FORTH GOD'S PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 353

"Victory in Jesus"

*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

**God be with you till we meet again; By His counsels
Guide uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

* indicates congregation should stand, if able



Today's Worship Participants

Liturgist	Roberta Lauder
Acolyte	Daniel Schlosser
Greeter	Shelby Sealock
Children's Time	Lisa Schlosser
Nursery	Lisa Schlosser
Coffee Hour	Gayle Schaeffer

Next Sunday's Worship Participants March 14, 2010

Liturgist	Bill Barnett
Acolyte	Victoria Ricketts
Greeter	Reta Hallman
Children's Time	Bill Barnett
Nursery	Reta Hallman
Coffee Hour	Naomi Eaton

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Rev. McDermott's Message
Fourth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, March 14, 2010

"Getting to Know Ralph"

Based on Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 and 2 Timothy 1:1-14

We sincerely desire that everyone present will feel welcome in the Lord's house. Please make a special effort to greet those around you in the spirit of Christian fellowship. "A cheerful heart is a good medicine," wrote the author of Proverbs 17:22 (NRSV). Be filled with cheerfulness. We welcome you in the name of Christ.





OUR PRAYER LIST

Abe Henry	Gil Barrington
Emerson Leach	
Charlotte Thren	Bill Hallman
Greg Vaught	Betty Chapman
Jack Betler	Gary Eaton
Irma Armburger	Joyce Dicks
Dick Russell	John Messick
Michelle Spencer	Angela Ladd
Sam Hallman	Mindy Hottinger
Tommy Nicewarner	Norma Capps

Dan Hallman	Elaine Hollingsworth
Charles Totten	Janice Ridgley
Anna Chaney	Jerry & Thelma Wines
Doug Dicks	Tony Wallace
Patricia Rosenberry	JoAnn Terry
Lynwood Williams	Robert Williams
Marian Armburger	Howard Betler
Phyllis Spinks	Paul Terry
Glen Mikulak	John Rosenberry

If you would like to include some person or family on the prayer list, please contact Rev. McDermott at 635-4254 or e-mail him at rev.mcdermott@comcast.net. Please include the person's address, if known, so that we can send them notes and cards of encouragement and knowledge of our prayers for them.

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING REPORT

Attendance Last Sunday (02/28/10)	
Sunday School Attendance	19
Offering Received last Sunday	\$ 910.00
Building Fund	35.00

It's Remarkable What Your Gift Will Do.

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This is my memorial unto all generations.

(Exodus 3:15.53)

Your charitable bequest can support mission long after your lifetime.

Lenten Bible Study and Soup and Salad Dinner Each Tuesday Evening During Lent

Dinner 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.



With a Study of "Paul's View of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ"

Rev. McDermott is leading this study. We will provide a nursery and children's program during the Bible Study. Debi Barnett will lead a program for the children on "The Parables of Jesus."

Do we have...
your @e-mail address?

Have you signed-up for the **Buckton E-NEWS**, so you can receive breaking news from the church, news about worship, information about coming events and activities. Maybe you have changed your e-mail and forgot to tell us. Send an e-mail to rev.mcdermott@comcast.net and request the *Buckton E-NEWS*.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, TOO

Samantha Clark	March 7
Marie Withers	March 12



WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY to Greg and Joy Stiles over the recent death of Greg's mother and Kevin and Kelly Stiles, grandmother. **Patricia Stiles** who died on Sunday, Feb. 28, 2010 in Luray, VA. **A Service to Celebrate** her life will be held on Tuesday, March

9, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at the Rileyville Baptist Church on Route 340, north of Luray. We share in their sorrow and our prayers and thoughts are ever with them. "I am the resurrection and the life," says our Lord. "Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." (John 11:25-26, NRSV).



Copies of the 2010 Lenten Prayer and Devotional Guide are still available

Pivotal means crucial or absolutely necessary. Such is the cross on which Jesus died. It represents salvation from sin and death. To see sin in all its cruelty and depravity, look at the cross. The cross can jar a person to the core.

In his parent's bedroom, a teenager noticed a picture he'd never paid attention to before. It was a vivid scene of the Crucifixion. As the boy studied it, his emotions began to stir. He saw the helpless Christ dying, the helmeted soldiers bearing spears, the crowd seething with hatred. Jesus was pinned to the cross, bleeding and helpless. Mary stood nearby, consumed by grief.

The picture revealed sin and its results: suffering and death. What if the room had a different picture, with an empty tomb and an angel announcing Christ's resurrection? Those represent that God loves mankind so much he still wants to save us, no matter what we've done.

"May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world" (Galatians 6:14, NRSV).

The Quilters

The Quilters meet the Second and Fourth Wednesday's each month at Noon. Anyone is welcome to join us for fellowship and fun together.

Next meeting, March 10, 2010.



Woodworker's Club

will be meeting again on
Wednesday, March 10, 2010
at 7:00 p.m.

CHOIR PRACTICE following Coffee Time at 12:30 p.m. and each week thereafter.



WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS

We are glad to have you worship with us this morning, and we hope that you are blessed by our time together. As we open our hearts to God, may we extend our hands and hearts in friendship to one another. May all who have come to worship know that they're sincerely welcomed in this house of God.

If you are a first time visitor, we have a Welcome Packet for you, which shares some information about who we are. Please join us for our coffee and fellowship time following worship downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

Please sign our Friendship Register in the pews and share your address and e-mail with us so we can stay in contact about the life of the church. Take the time to visit our web site at www.bucktonpresbyterianchurch.org If you have any questions or would like to discuss the ministry of the Buckton Presbyterian Church, please call Rev. McDermott at 635-4254 or e-mail at rev.mcdermott@comcast.net

Organizing a Confirmation Class

If you are a teenager and have considered that it might be the time to think about what is necessary to join the membership of the Buckton Presbyterian Church.

Rev. McDermott is currently organizing a confirmation class. This class will give you the opportunity to explore discipleship in Jesus Christ, church membership and its responsibilities, to examine our faith in Jesus Christ more closely and find out what it means to become apart of the Presbyterian Church, (U.S.A.).

If you are interested in joining this class, please contact, Rev. McDermott. We hope to begin the class in the next few weeks.

"Sight is not faith, and hearing is not faith, neither is feeling faith; but believing when we neither see, hear nor feel is faith; and everywhere the Bible tells us our salvation is to be by faith. Therefore we must believe before we feel, and often against our feelings, if we would honor God by our faith." —Hannah Whitall Smith

