

Order of Worship for Sunday, Sunday, March 12, 2023 – 3rd Sunday in Lent
Heart-to-Heart Talks: Well, Actually...

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For the transformation of the world, we make disciples.

We study God's Word and offer praise and worship, strengthening each other for outreach beyond the church walls.

CENTERING WORDS The Samaritan Woman makes us wonder: Does Jesus know us better than we know ourselves?

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We come to the well of fear and doubt.

P: We have drawn deeply of those waters.

L: We come to the well of anger and hate.

P: These waters flourish in all the land.

L: Lord, bring us to the water of peace and hope.

P: Lord, bring us to the well of salvation. AMEN.

† OPENING PRAYER

Wellspring of eternal life, we come to you this day having drunk deeply the waters of anxiety and despair. Bring to us your living water. Quench our thirsting souls, for we offer this prayer in Your Name. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN I Surrender All UMH #354

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – DOXOLOGY

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE The Woman at the Well John 4:5-34

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord's Prayer "trespass")

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Romans 5:1-11 // John 4:5-42

MESSAGE Well, Actually...

† CLOSING HYMN I Love to Tell the Story UMH #156

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info

- Online Lent Study: *Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table* - Register today and attend when you can Wednesdays, through March 29 7-8pm You are invited to join Pastor Theresa for the online study at any point. More information is available at PennsValleyParish.info.

- March 12 – Randy Muthersbaugh invites you to watch an episode of *The Chosen* 1:30pm at Brush Valley UMC, Madisonburg. All are welcome!

- March 12 – Spring Ahead! Don't be late for church! 😊

- March 12 – Sprucetown UMC Potluck Lunch follows worship. Ad Board/Trustees meeting following lunch. Bring a covered dish to share if you like and see a lovely display of historical records of baptism, marriage and births from generations past!

- March 15 – East PV Ministerium Lent Service: Grinding/Milling Matthew 13 7pm at Brush Valley UMC in Madisonburg with Randy Muthersbaugh presiding.

- March 16 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation at St. James UMC at 9:30am. All ladies welcome!

- March 20 – Trinity Board and Trustees meeting at 7pm

- March 22 – East PV Ministerium Lent Service: Mixing and Kneeding Luke 11:1-13 hosted at St. Peter's UCC, Rebersburg with Julie Holm presiding

- March 28 – Historic Paradise Church Cemetery Assn meeting open to all interested folks 7pm at St. James UMC, Coburn.

- March 29 – Soup Kitchen ministry at St. James UMC, for information contact Paula Smith

- March 29 – East PV Ministerium Lent Service: Waiting and Rising, Luke 13:20-21 hosted by Salem Lutheran, Aaronsburg with Teresa Hockenberry presiding.

- Maundy Thursday Service, April 6 hosted by St. James UMC in Coburn at 7pm, this is part of the East PV Ministerium Lent services series. All are welcome.

- Good Friday Service, part of the East PV Ministerium will be held at Christ UCC, Madisonburg with Julie Holm presiding.

- Easter Sunday services schedule; 6:30am Sunrise Service at Trinity UMC, 8:30am Resurrection Service at St. James UMC, Coburn and 10:30am Resurrection Service at Sprucetown UMC.

- April 14 & 15 – Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course will be offered. Details on the bulletin board.

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