“Celebrating the Gifts of Women”
March 6, 2016

Second Presbyterian Church
Lewis and Frederick Streets
P.O. Box 175
Staunton, VA 24402-0175
March 6, 2016
Service of Worship 10:30 A.M.
4th Sunday in Lent
Presbyterian Women Sunday Celebrating the Gifts of Women

Welcome to the house of the Lord! May God’s grace and peace fill you.

PRELUDE Lenten Hymns: “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” – JuBELLation Handbell Choir

STRIKING THE HOUR
GREETING
CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION
   Announcements
   Prayer Concerns
OPENING MUSIC “I’ve Got the Joy, Joy, Joy” Women’s Choir
CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100:1-3
   L: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
   P: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.
   L: Know that the Lord is God.
   P: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.
   L: Let us worship God.
*HYMN “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” CH 225
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Gracious God, we confess that too often we pass judgment upon others, because their behavior seems excessive and extravagant to us. We neglect to realize that there is no one right way, but there are a diversity of ways to serve you. Forgive us for our short-sightedness and sin. Give us the strength, O God, to glorify and enjoy your abundant love.
Silent Prayers of Confession
*ASSURANCE OF PARDON
L: Our God forgives us, even when we have been unforgiving of others.
P: Our god loves us, even when we are not particularly loving ourselves.
L: Our God gives us grace, even though we do not deserve it.
P: So let us love one another.
L: So let us forgive each other.
P: So let us offer grace to one another. Amen
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE*  “Thank You Lord”

Thank You, Lord, for saving my soul,
Thank You, Lord, for making me whole,
Thank You, Lord, for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*  The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**NT LESSON:** First Corinthians 13:1-8  *Pew Bible p. 1000*

**OFFERING**

Offertory

*Doxology*

*Prayer of Dedication*

*HYMN*  “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”  *CH 648*

**SHARING IN PRAYER**

Personal Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**ANTHEM**  “Jesus Loves Me”  *Women’s Choir*

**NT LESSON:**  John 3:16  *Pew Bible p. 924*

**SERMON**  “Love”  Darlene Mason

*HYMN*  “Here I Am Lord”  *CH 589*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

*HYMN*  “I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb”  *Women’s Choir*

*Congregation please stand, if able*
THIS WEEK AT SECOND CHURCH

Sunday, March 6
9:30 AM  Sunday Bible Study – Lucille Sanger Classroom
10:00 AM  Women’s Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
10:30 AM  Worship  “Celebrating the Gifts of Women”
           Lay Reader  Kay Mader
           Greeters & Ushers: Pat Blackley (Head Usher),
                               Gennivee Carey, Betty Clemmer, Jean Flower, Betty
                               Casiday, Martha Wilkerson, and Nita Wimer
           Flower Coordinator: Mary Rainey

Monday, March
10:00 AM-Faithful 5 Circle-Parlor

Tuesday, March 8
10:00 AM-Friendship Circle-Parlor
11:00 AM-Bible Study – Fellowship Hall

Thursday, March 6
5:45 PM  JuBELLation Choir Practice
6:45 PM  Chancel Choir Practice

Next Sunday, March 13
9:30 AM  Adult Bible Study Class
10:30 AM  Adult Choir rehearsal – Choir Room
11:00 AM  Worship
           Greeters & Ushers:  All spots need filling
           Flower Coordinator: Mary Rainey

Attendance last Sunday:  59
Offering last Sunday:  $2,065.00
Hunger Offering:  $ 430.25
Total Deposit:  $5,022.25

As an aid to people who have trouble reading the regular sized type on the Sunday worship bulletin, a large print version is available. Simply request one from any usher.
### PRAYERS THIS WEEK

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#### Anniversary's

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#### In the Military

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<td>Nick Dubyk - Army</td>
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<td>Christopher Todd - USAF</td>
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#### Other Church Concerns

Christian sympathy is extended to the families of Gary Archer (Allen's cousin) and Steve Waughtel (Melissa's brother) who both passed away last week.

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The March sign-up sheet for Ushers is on the back table. **Many spots need filling.** Thanks so much for your help.

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TIME CHANGE

On Sunday, March 13th Daylight Savings time begins. Don’t forget to set your clocks forward one hour when you go to bed Saturday night.

**March 8th is International Women's Day** - a day to celebrate all the great things women are accomplishing around the world. This is a wonderful time to pause and celebrate women's accomplishments through Presbyterian Women. When women provide opportunity for women, communities make progress and the world is improved. You offer opportunity for women both domestically and internationally when you participate in the work of Presbyterian Women.

Did you know that in just the last 27 years, PWs have given more than $70,000,000 to support programs and ministries of PW and the PC(USA)? PWs have also given more than $20,000,000 in major grants to nearly one hundred projects, national and international. And PWs have granted more than $70,000,000 to nearly a thousand creative ministries, national and international. That is just monetary support at the national level. That doesn't include all the local and regional mission and service work PWs have done, nor the spiritual nurture, leadership development and community building PWs have accomplished across the nation and the world!

**BLANKETS +**

This is the final Sunday for Blanket Fund Collections.

A sign-up sheet for the March and April “Pastor’s Breakfast” will be in back of the Sanctuary. If you can prepare a breakfast casserole for 8 to 10 people, help with set-up or clean-up, please sign up.

Thank you, Linda & Sherrill.
(We will contact those who have signed up for more details.)
ANNUAL BAKED POTATO BAR

Our annual Baja Baked Potato Bar will be Wednesday, April 6 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Amazingly large baked potato with fixings, salad, drink and dessert will be available for eat in or take out. A Free Will Offering to support the Highland-Augusta Mission Community’s Baja Mission Trip to Mexico is requested. Second Church will be represented by Andy Easley and Darlene Mason again this year, and your support of them will be greatly appreciated. Come and bring all your friends and neighbors.

The Boys and Girls Club at Booker T. Washington Community Center is seeking volunteers to help in the after school program Monday through Thursday from 5:00 – 6:00 P.M. If you enjoy working with children from kindergarten through grade 5 and would like to volunteer some of your time, please contact Sarah Jones, Unit Director, Booker T. Washington Community Center, 1114 W. Johnson St. between the hours of 3:00 – 7:00 P.M. for an application.

Thank you!
Carolyn Brown

AN IRISH BLESSING

Wishing you always a bright sky above,
The pleasure of doing the things that you love—
    God’s blessing around you,
    His light from on high,
And deeper contentment as each day goes by.
Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves:

- To nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study;
- To support the mission of the church worldwide;
- To work for justice and peace; and
- To build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (USA) and witnesses to the promise of God’s Kingdom.