

THE LAMPLIGHTER

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Good Words for Great Souls

BY REV. DAVID DOWNER

This month marks the beginning of a new season—the season of Lent. For many years the churches Terri and I attended didn't practice the liturgical seasons of the church year. Even those that traditionally did recognize them didn't always emphasize them in worship services. Since coming to Trinity, I've grown to love the rhythms of seasonal life. In most Western Protestant traditions, there are six seasons. These are: Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time (Time after Epiphany), Lent, Easter, and Ordinary Time (Time after Pentecost). The two we are most familiar with are Lent, the time beginning with Ash Wednesday and ending at Easter, and Advent, the four Sundays prior to Christmas. Lent is often thought of as 40 days of preparation culminating in the events of Holy Week.

During Holy Week, we remember the Last Supper, where Jesus washed the disciple's feet and shared in the Passover meal. It is here Jesus gave us the gift of the Eucharist or Holy Communion, where we partake in the broken bread, symbolizing Christ's body, and in the cup, symbolizing Christ's blood. We remember this event on Maundy Thursday, the Thursday before Easter Sunday. The word "Maundy" comes from the Latin word *mandatum*, or commandment, reflecting Jesus' words "I give you a new commandment." That new commandment can be found in John's Gospel, John 13:31-35. In John's version of events, Judas had just been identified as the one who betrayed Jesus, and has just left the room. Jesus then gives his disciples a new commandment, that we love one another, just as Jesus loved us. Jesus said that by this, everyone will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

I hope to have a Maundy Thursday service this year after having missed it last year due to the pandemic. It is one of my favorite services, partly because we incorporate a meal into the actual worship time. It will be a simple meal of bread and soup, followed by a time of reflection and the celebration of Holy Communion. It may well be the most thought-provoking and intimate services we share together during the liturgical year. This year, as we prepare for the events of Holy Week and Easter, I pray you will remember the one new Commandment Jesus gave us—to love one another, just as Christ loved us. Allow this love to permeate every aspect of your relationships and attitudes toward others. By this, everyone will know you are a disciple of Jesus Christ.

MARCH ASSISTANTS

ALTAR FLOWERS: TAMMY BESEKER
ALTAR GUILD: ANN MOELLENBROCK
OIL IN CANDLES: BEVERLY GUYER
SALT LIAISON: LYNNETTE BREON
HEAD USHER: BROOKS MEYERS
ALTERNATE USHER: AMY SMITH



THIS MONTH'S SCRIPTURES

MARCH 2: JOEL 2:1-2, 12-17
MATTHEW 6:1-6, 16-21
MARCH 6: DEUTERONOMY 26:1-11
LUKE 4:1-13
MARCH 13: GENESIS 15:1-12
LUKE 13:31-35
MARCH 20: ISAIAH 55:1-9
LUKE 13:1-9
MARCH 27: JOSHUA 5:9-12
LUKE 15:1-3



FEBRUARY'S YOUTUBE WORSHIP SERVICE LINKS

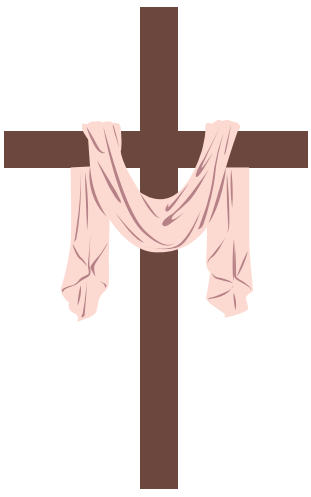
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Announcements, Events, & Updates

- March 2, Ash Wednesday Service
- March 4, World Day of Prayer
- March 6, First Sunday in Lent, Sacrament of Holy Communion
- March 8, International Womens Day
- March 9, Community Lenten Service
- March 13, Second Sunday in Lent
Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 15, Consistory Meeting,
Food Pantry Distribution
- March 16, Community Lenten Service,
Sacrament of Holy Communion
- March 17, Saint Patrick's Day
- March 20, Third Sunday in Lent
- March 21, MOPS Meeting
- March 23, Community Lenten Service
- March 26, Diaper Depot Distribution
- March 27, Fourth Sunday in Lent,
Easter Flower order forms due,
One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
- March 30, Community Lenten Service



March Birthdays

- 3 Ruth Floray
- 4 Lori Walter
- 5 Katie Romig
- 6 Nevin Dutrow
- 10 Julian Battaglia
Donna Krebs
- 13 Charles Romig
Ella Smith
- 14 Lois Martz
- 18 Thomas Garbrick
Denise Sweitzer
- 19 Hailey Sweitzer
- 21 Joan Pecht
Sandra Cronin
Kenady Hanson
- 22 Russell Brooks
Hetty Runkle
Keith Bierly
- 25 Mackenzie Balsley
Bradley Floray
Owen Houts
- 26 Ennis Wagner
- 27 Vickie Fultz
Harrison Reish
- 29 Ardranna Henry

Centre Hall/Potter Township Food and Fuel Pantry

The needs are: cake mixes, cereal, canned milk, saltine crackers, paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, and dish detergent. The next distribution is March 15.

Penns Valley Diaper Depot

The next monthly distribution is planned for February 26. Contributions of diapers or checks will always be accepted! In February assisted 16 children, with 668 diapers!

From The Congregation

Why the Symphony Bar Will Always be One of My Favorite Snacks

By: Larry Campbell

I was asked to write an article for this newsletter relative to my career as a food scientist and R & D manager at The Hershey Company but first some background information.

God blessed me by selecting me to be born into a hard-working farm family in the mountains of Perry County. I learned to love nature and appreciate the beauty that God created. From my parents and the teachers from my little one room Methodist church and my one room elementary schools, I learned many values that shaped my successes in life.

My high school teachers convinced me to be the first in my immediate family to attend college and since dairy farming was all that I knew, I majored in Dairy Science (which is now Food Science - think Penn State Creamery). My professors noticed that I worked every part time job I could find to stay in school and offered me a position in the department upon graduation. My first assignment was developing a new Penn State Creamery ice cream flavor for Halloween. After 4 years of research on milk, ice cream and chocolate, an MS degree and several publications, I was offered a job at twice my salary by a food ingredients company. When I told my boss, the legendary ice cream expert Dr P.G. Keeney, he said you can do better! He immediately picked up the phone and called the Research Director at the Hershey Company and asked if they could find a position for me. The very next day I drove to Hershey and they matched the offer. Thirty-three years later I retired from a wonderful career and Lisa and I endowed a scholarship at Penn State College of Ag Sciences to benefit future students from my high school who wanted to attend Penn State. This was one way to pay back the teachers and professors who made my career possible and was all part of God's plan for me.

Pastor Dave suggested I write about how I helped develop the Symphony bar at Hershey. Strangely, this was far from my biggest contributions to the Hershey Company but it turned out to be the way I was best known outside of Hershey. The Symphony story started out in Canada. Canadian consumers preferred the European style chocolates to the American Hershey Bar and as a result the Hershey Canada plant lost money for many years. A decision was finally made to see if a European type chocolate could be made in that plant and I was assigned to find a way to do that. I made several trips to Europe and found equipment to make that type of chocolate only to be told by our executives that there was no money for new equipment and I had to find a way to duplicate the chocolate on our old existing equipment. After more than a year of trial and error I developed a process to make a premium, smooth, caramelized type chocolate that could be manufactured under the Hershey brand for the Canadian market. That resulted in a Hershey bar in Canada which was distinctly different than a Hershey bar in the US.

The Symphony bar was born a couple years later when Hershey learned that a foreign chocolate company was market testing a European bar in the US. They decided to bring the Canadian product into the US to discourage competition from yet another chocolate company. The only problem was that the Hershey chocolate name was already associated with their flagship product line in the US. After some really fun consumer tests and naming research sessions, the name Symphony was agreed upon since the smooth creamy taste, the milk, caramel, butterscotch and other flavor notes blended together like a great symphony orchestra.

A couple of years after the bar was introduced Penn State asked for permission from Hershey to develop a three credit case study course in Product Development which detailed my work and the eventual introduction of Symphony into the US market. To my surprise, Hershey management agreed and it is still taught every couple of years as Food Science 497, a Case Study in New Product Development. Several times over the years I have been approached by a Penn State grad student and asked if I am the same Larry Campbell that developed the Symphony Bar. Of course, I smile and say YES! The Symphony bar never caught on as a major brand for Hershey but sold well enough to still be on the market today.

Unfortunately, about 30 years after the Symphony bar was developed, the Canadian plant was closed, production was moved to the states and the formula was modified to save costs. The Symphony bar that you will find in our stores today is not the same quality bar that was first sold but it still brings back tons of memories when I see it on the store shelf and sometimes buy it for old times sake.



RECORDS AND REPORTS

SUMMARY OF 15 FEBRUARY CONSISTORY MEETING

Treasurer's Report: The total general funds income for January was \$8,617.00. The total general funds expense for January was \$12,322.54. **Pastor's Report:** Pastor Dave spent time planning Summer Sabbatical and officiated Lois Shope's Funeral. **Previous Business:** Pastor Dave's employment contract includes a sabbatical of three months with full pay after each five full years of service. Pastor Dave has met this requirement and would like to take a sabbatical from June 13, 2022 to September 12, 2022. The board along with Pastor Dave will work to find replacement(s) clergy for the three month period; There is a significant amount of wire left over from the extension of Wi-Fi throughout the Church. It was suggested that we use leftover wire to try to improve the Wi-Fi in the parsonage and keep the wire for future possibilities. **New Business:** A new photo directory was suggested; Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 2nd and ends with Easter on April 17th. Trinity will be hosting the Community Services this year; The rates for Church wedding rentals needs to be reviewed and updated.

IN OUR PRAYERS...



Lance Arney	Charles O'Hara	Shirley Rogers
Zoey Bair	*Mary Hardy	*Marian Smith
Lynnette Breon	Marty Ilgen	Marieta Smith
Lorren & Carol Brown	Tim Leitch	Lisa Stevens
Larry Corl	Deb LosKamp	Debbie Walker
Buddy Cowher	*Josephine McNitt	Jere Wiley
*Marie Crater	Diane Matter	Ennis Wagner
Erin, Austin, Conner Derr	Paige Musser-Gray	Ann Williams
Cathy and Roy Dunkle	Rycen Musser	*Faye Winkelblech
Kelly Eicher	Malcolm Obiri	Duane and Wilma Yarger
Gracie Eisenhower	Claire Porter	Silas
*Trudy Furner	Barry Reish	