

**St. Peter's United Church of Christ  
Tatamy, Pennsylvania**

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Sunday, March 8, 2026

Third Sunday in Lent

WELCOME

PRELUDE

TOLLING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Ps. 95, responsively*)

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

**Let us make a joyful noise to our rock and salvation.**

Let us come here in thanksgiving;

**For the Lord is a great God, generous and loving.**

From the depths of the earth to the highest mountains,

**Sea and sky, the infinite reaches of the universe.**

Let us worship and bow down;

**Let us humble ourselves before our God.**

HYMN #71 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

CONFESSION: (*in unison*)

**How hard it is, O God, to humble ourselves before you; for we are a proud people, viewing ourselves as great before others. We see our needs and even our desires as of greatest importance and forget your call to care for each other and for your creation. Have mercy upon us and forgive us our sins, known and unknown. Lead us, ever again, in paths shown to us by your Son and our Savior, Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE:

The scriptures tell us that God is indeed loving and just and that Christ came to free us from the bonds of sin and death. In that assurance and hope, we look to new life in Christ and the promise of life eternal. Thanks be to God.

## #734 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. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE:

John 4:1-42

## MEDITATION

HYMN #503 O God, Your Constant Care and Love

## 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.**

## OFFERING

## OFFERING RESPONSE:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above the heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** *(in unison)*

**Remembering all that we have from your gracious hand, O Lord; remembering that life itself is a precious gift; we bring these tithes and offerings before you, asking your blessing on them and on all that we do and say in Christ's name. Set your Holy Spirit upon these gifts and upon us, we pray, in Christ's name. Amen.**

**HYMN #264 In the Cross of Christ I Glory**

**BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION:**

**Throughout these Lenten days and nights  
we turn to walk the inward way,  
where meeting Christ, our guide and light,  
we live in hope 'til Easter Day.**

**Rejoice, O sons and daughters! Sing  
and shout hosannas! Raise the strain!**

**For Christ, whose death Good Friday brings  
on Easter Day will rise again.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The altar flowers this morning are presented by Diane O'Rorke in memory of parents and grandparents.

Altar flower sponsor is needed for Sunday, May 3. Please speak to Diane O'Rorke if you are interested. Diane's phone number is 484-515-4506. Thanks!

BIBLE STUDY will meet on Thursday at 10 am.

LIBRARY HOURS—Every Saturday from 10 am until noon.

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:**

8 Anna Meuser	8 Paul & Barbara Faust
13 Bonnie Shaffer	14 Joan & Dave Hulbert

3/1/26 GIVING--\$1,985.00 GIVING THUS FAR--\$6,202.00