Sunday, April 3 2022 ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 AM

Mr. Timothy Flynn * Pastor

Carolyn Lansing * Organist & Choir Director

(*People Stand If Able)

Please mute your cell phones

PRELUDE (*Time for quiet reflection & meditation*)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS INTROIT

COME, LET US WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP SENTENCES

Psalm 51:17 Psalm 126

(with Congregational Response)

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced. **Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.**

May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

SALUTATION:

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise...... Grace mercy and peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Hymn #430 "I Must Tell Jesus"

Responsive Reading:

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. **There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him.** Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. **But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said,**

"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?"

He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.

Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial.

You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

*GLORIA PATRI #622

PRAYER (in Unison):

God of the living, through baptism we pass from the shadow of death to the light of the resurrection. Remain with us and give us hope that, rejoicing in the gift of the Spirit who gives life to our mortal flesh, we may be clothed with the garment of immortality, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN #178 "Oh Sacred Head Now Wounded"

*OFFERING *OFFERTORY *DOXOLOGY #625 (found in the back of the hymnal) *OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children preschool age and below are dismissed for nursery care following the Children's Message)

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE: Philippians 3:4-14

Message: "Press Toward the Mark"

*HYMN #202 "Amazing Grace"

DEPARTING TO SERVE

*BENEDICTION *POSTLUDE

AMITY REFORMED CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT "Our mission is to grow into the people God created us to be in Jesus Christ through Worship, Service and Fellowship within our congregation and our community." <u>TODAY AT AMITY</u> Loose Change Sunday <u>Today's Greeter:</u>

Will Shippey

COMING UP AT AMITY

Tuesday, April 5 th -26 th Drop off for Spring Sale 10 AM –12 PM		
Tuesday, April 5 th – 26 th	Crochet Class	12:30 – 2:00 PM
Monday, April 11, 2022	Elders & Deacons M	ATG 6:00 PM
<u>Monday, April, 11, 2022</u>	Consistory MTG	7:00 PM
Thursday, April 14, 2022	ARC Angels MTG	11:00 AM
Sunday, April 17, 2022	Sunrise Service	7:00 AM
Sunday, April 17. 2022	Easter Breakfast	8:00 AM
Friday, April 22, 2022	Brooks BBQ	3 PM-6 PM
Friday & Saturday May 6	th & 7th Spring Sale	9-2 & 9-1

Pastor Tim is available for pastoral calls. You can contact him at (518) 334-0408.

Boy Scout Troop 30 meets every Wed. @ 6:30 pm in Chapel Hall Girl Scouts meets the 2nd & 4th Thursdays in Chapel Hall

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS

Offering from March 27, 2022

Program Total: \$683.00 \$683.00

Monthly Mission: RCA Global Mission

2022 European Crisis Response

In response to the crisis occurring in Europe, our partners on the ground are providing humanitarian aid to displaced people as they are forced to flee their homes in Ukraine. Your gifts will make their efforts possible. Please call Scott at (616) 541-0892 if you have questions about how the RCA is working with our partners to provide these relief efforts.