

Sunday, February 26, 2023  
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**

**Psalm 118:26**

**SENTENCES**

**Psalm 32**

**(with Congregational Response)**

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Selah

**Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.**

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

Selah

**I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

**Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

**SALUTATION**

**Genesis 3:1-7**

Now the serpent was more, crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves..... Grace mercy and peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

**\*Hymn #294**

**“Set My Soul Afire”**

**Responsive Reading:**

**Matthew 4:1-11**

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

**He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.**

The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread."

**But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"**

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple,

**saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"**

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

**Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor;**

and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."

**Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #622**

**PRAYER (in Unison):**

**God of wilderness and water, your Son was baptized and tempted as we are. Guide us through this season, that we may not avoid struggle, but open ourselves to blessing, through the cleansing depths of repentance and the heaven-rending words of the Spirit. Amen.**

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

**\*HYMN #335 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"**

**\*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: 2 Chronicles 7:11-22**

**Message: "If My People..."**

**\*HYMN #202 "Amazing Grace"**

**DEPARTING TO SERVE**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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**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.”*

**TODAY AT AMITY**

**Today's Greeter:**

**Debbie Barber**

**COMING UP AT AMITY**

<b><u>Friday, March 3, 2023</u></b>	<b>Food, Family &amp; Fun Night</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b><u>Monday, March 6, 2023</u></b>	<b>Weatherization Training</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b><u>Friday, March, 10, 2023</u></b>	<b>TUFF Talk Mtg</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b><u>Monday, March 12, 2023</u></b>	<b>Elders &amp; Deacons Mtg</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
<b><u>Monday, March 12, 2023</u></b>	<b>Consistory Mtg</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>

*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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays in Chapel Hall

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**FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS**

**Offering from February 19, 2023**

Program	\$903.00
Benevolence	\$60.00
Special Income	\$312.74
<b>Total:</b>	<b><u>\$1,275.74</u></b>

**Monthly Mission: Mission**

**CAPTAIN CHS,  
543 Saratoga Road,  
Glenville, NY 12302.  
518-371-1185.**

CAPTAIN Community Human Services supports and empowers people of all ages to reach their goals of personal growth and self-sufficiency. We strengthen communities. As a volunteer-driven organization, When you give your time, talents, and treasures to CAPTAIN CHS, you're: Feeding the hungry through the Emergency Food & Hygiene Pantry. Keeping the heat on through the Emergency Assistance Program Helping kids with special challenges and their families through Family Support Services Ensuring every kid has a meal through Free Summer Meals Creating academic success through Cheryl's Lodge Outreach Center Building kids' communication skills through Peace Camp Working to shelter those in need through multiple Services for the Homeless Ensuring seniors can stay in their homes through Care Links and Wellness Express Keeping kids safe at the Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter Saving kids from sex trafficking through the Safe Harbor Program Helping homeless teens safely exit the streets through the Street Outreach Program. And so much more!

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