

Sunday, March 12, 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 119:1-2**

**SENTENCES**

**Psalm 95**

**(with Congregational Response)**

O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise  
to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us  
make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all  
gods.

**In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the  
mountains are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his  
hands have formed.

**O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before  
the LORD, our Maker!**

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and  
the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his  
voice!

**Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at  
Massah in the wilderness,**

when your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof,

though they had seen my work.

**For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways." Therefore in my anger I swore, "They shall not enter my rest."**

**SALUTATION**

**Exodus 17:3-7**

But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?" ..... Grace mercy and peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

**\*Hymn #190 "Are You Washed in the Blood?"**

**Responsive Reading:**

**Romans 5:1-11**

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, **through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.**

And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, **and endurance produces character, and character**

**produces hope,**

and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

**For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.**

Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die.

**But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.**

Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life.

**But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #622**

**PRAYER (in Unison):**

**God of the covenant, you call us to be fruitful servants within creation, and to offer our lives as the foundation of your realm. We lay before you the desires of our hearts, that we may be transformed by their fulfillment. Grant, O God, that the prayers we offer may be your channel for new and abundant life not only hoped for, but worked for, through faithful word and deed. Amen.**

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

**\*HYMN #192 "The Blood Will Never Lose It's Power"**

**\*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: John 4:5-42**

**Message: "We Ourselves Have Heard"**

**\*HYMN #204 "Rock of Ages"**

**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:**

**Marcia Bailey**

**COMING UP AT AMITY**

**Monday, March 13, 2023** Elders & Deacons MTG 6:00 PM

**Monday, March 13, 2023** Consistory MTG 7:00 PM

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

\*\*\*\*ARC Angels have set the date for the Spring Rummage Sale. This year the dates are April 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. They will start taking donations for this sale starting March 26<sup>th</sup>. You can call the office to set up a day & time to drop off your donations.

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 March 3, 2023**

Program	\$1,510.00
Benevolence	\$180.00
Special Income	\$30.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,720.00</b>

**Monthly Mission**

**Schenectady City Mission**

**425 Hamilton Street, Schenectady, NY 12305**

**518-346-2275**

City Mission of Schenectady, founded in 1906, is dedicated to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ in work and deed. Our ministries seek to comprehensively meet the needs of the poor in a manner that dignifies and strengthens the individual, the family, and the community. Our goal is to

provide not only HELP for today, but HOPE for tomorrow.  
We want to help people who are in need right now by  
meeting basic needs like, food, shelter and clothing.  
Providing these life essentials are at the core of who we are.

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