

Sunday, March 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 119:7-8

SENTENCES

Psalm 130

(with Congregational Response)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

SALUTATION

Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is

set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.....
Grace mercy and peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn #178 "Oh Sacred Head Now Wounded"**

Responsive Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.

He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry.

He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know."

Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.

Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.

I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone.

I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had

come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them.

Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live."

I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.'

Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel.

And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. **I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act,"** says the LORD.

***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 #206 "There Is a Redeemer"**

***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 11:1-45

Message: "The Resurrection and the Life"

***HYMN #185 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"**

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."*

TODAY AT AMITY

Today's Greeter:

Ellen Shippey

COMING UP AT AMITY

<u>Sunday, April 2, 2023</u>	Palm Sunday Service	10:00 AM
<u>Thursday, April 6, 2023</u>	Maundy Thursday Service	7:00 PM
<u>Sunday, April 9, 2023</u>	Sunrise Service	7:00 AM
	Pancake Breakfast After Sunrise Service	
<u>Sunday, April 9, 2023</u>	Easter Sunday Service	10:00 AM
<u>April 14th & 15th</u>	Spring Rummage Sale	9 AM – 2 PM
<u>Friday, April 21, 2023</u>	Brooks BBQ	3-6 PM

Pre-Sale Tickets Available See Jean Hill

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

***** The Family of John Ward would like to invite the Amity Family to the Funeral Service of the late John Ward on: Saturday May 20, 2023 @ 12:00 pm with a reception in Chapel Hall following.

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

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS

Offering from March 19, 2023

Program	\$783.00
Benevolence	\$80.00
Total:	<u>\$863.00</u>

Monthly Mission:

Schenectady City Mission

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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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