

Sunday, August 20, 2023
ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 AM

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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 25:4

SENTENCES

Genesis 22:1-12

(with Congregational Response)

God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!" and he said "here I am"

He said "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go offer him as a burnt offering upon one of the mountains I tell you

So Abraham rose early, took two young men and his son Isaac, cut wood for the burnt offering and went the place God told him On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the mountains God told him,

leaving the young men. Giving Isaac the wood, taking the fire and knife they went on to worship

Isaac asked Abraham "my father where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" Abraham said God would provide

When they came to the place God told them Abraham built an altar, laid the wood then bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar. Then Abraham took the knife in his hand to slay his son

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven

“Abraham! Abraham!” and he said “here I am”

He said “do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God.

SALUTATION

Exodus 3:3-6

And Moses said, “I will turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.” When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said “here I am.” Then he said, “do not come near; put off your shoes from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” And he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Hymn Hark the Herald Angels.

***Hymn #133 “Hark The Harold Sing”**

Responsive Reading:

Luke 2:8-14

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watching over their flock by night.

And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear.

And the angel said to them, “Be not afraid for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

And this will be a sign to you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men whom he is pleased!”

***GLORIA PATRI #622**

PRAYER (in Unison): Psalm 91:1-6
He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, who abides in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." For he will deliver you from the snare of the Fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

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

***HYMN #441 "Take time To Be Holy"**

***OFFERING**

***OFFERTORY**

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 19:9-13

Message: "T B A"

***HYMN # see insert "Here I Am Lord"**

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:

Jane Stevens

COMING UP AT AMITY

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

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Bob and Amy Abel

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