



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT CHAPEL LANE!

*“Growing a Faith That Must Be Shared”*

Mar. 18, 2018

Fifth Sunday in Lent

10:00 AM

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

\* Please stand, if you are able

Prelude Music

*“Amazing Grace”*  
Children’s Chimes

L. Larson

## Welcome and Announcements

Welcome, friends. We’re so glad you came to join us in our worship of God today. We hope you’ll feel the Spirit’s love surround you and that you’ll leave this place feeling refreshed and renewed. You are very welcome here, and we hope you’ll come again and join us in worship, study and fellowship as we strive to make some very special friends. *(Please sign the Fellowship Pad and use the prayer request cards for your joys/concerns.)*

## Interlude Music and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

*(Based on Psalm 51:1-12)*

O God, be merciful to me because of your faithful love.

**O God of all compassion, erase all the wrongs I have done.**

Scrub away my guilt. Wash me clean from my sin.

**I know that I have done wrong. I remember that sin all the time.**

I know that you want me to be completely loyal, so put true wisdom deep inside of me.

**Remove my sin and make me pure. Wash me until I am whiter than snow!**

God, create a pure heart in me, and make my spirit strong again.

**Make my spirit strong and ready to serve you, today and always.**

Gathering Prayer

\* Gathering Song

*“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”*

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Compassionate God, we come to you seeking to be made whole. Put your love within us, Lord, a love that you first wrote upon our hearts, that we may be your people. We come to you tired and yearning for peace and harmony, knowing that we have not always worked for either. Loving God, we offer up our empty promises, our vain desires, and our sins of both omission and commission, asking your forgiveness. God of the covenant, draw us to your love, anoint us with your peace, write your compassion upon our hearts that we may love as you love and forgive as you forgive, without regret or condition. Teach us, Lord, to delight in your ways and to seek you always, with hearts made alive by your Spirit of grace. Amen.

*(Silent Prayer of Confession)*

Prayer Response

*“Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me”*

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*Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.*

*For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and God will be my Savior.*

Assurance of Pardon

\* Response of Praise

*“Come, Thou Almighty King”*

#2 (vs. 4)

*To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore!*

*Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.*

\* Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## WE OPEN OUR HEARTS TO GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

**Jeremiah 31:31-34**

NRSV, page 721

Response: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson

**John 12:20-33**

NRSV, page 980

Response: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children’s Sermon

Sermon

*“A Clean Heart, A Second Chance”*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF Mar 18, 2018

**Welcome Friends!** If you are new in the area or looking for a church home, we hope you will consider becoming a part of this community of faith. Please use the Fellowship Pad to note your presence with us and the welcome card to help us serve you better. **There is a large- print Bible and handheld hearing devices on the table at the back of the sanctuary and also in the foyer for anyone who needs them.**

**Please be advised:** Videos, audiotapes, and photographs may be taken during worship and other church activities for broad use (including the Internet), and that by attending you consent to this and to the broad use described. **If you do not wish to have your photo taken and/or published on our website**, please send a request in writing to [office@chapellane.org](mailto:office@chapellane.org) or Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church, 5501 Jefferson Ave., Midland, MI 48640.

**Children in Worship:** We have **Worship Bags** in the back of the sanctuary containing worship aids for children: Blue-handled bags for older children, red-handled bags for younger. Please return them to the floor below the rack at the end of the service. We have a staffed **nursery** for children infant through first grade (older children may use the nursery and playground if accompanied by an adult). During the school year, we offer **Children's Church** for kids from kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade on most Sundays. Children will remain for part of worship and will be dismissed part way through the service to a time geared toward them.

**Tape Ministry:** Each week our worship service is taped and sent to our homebound members and friends. This is a ministry of our Deacons. If you would like more information, please contact Harry White (692-2059).

**Bulletin Announcements:** Bulletin announcements are listed **two weeks** prior to an event. For a forecast of upcoming events farther in the future, please visit "newsletter" or the church "calendar" at [www.chapellane.org](http://www.chapellane.org). Did you miss last week's announcements? They may be viewed at "Worship /bulletin" at [www.chapellane.org](http://www.chapellane.org).

### CHAPEL LANE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through April 1, 2018

**Bucket Brigade Today:** Help alleviate World hunger. Participate in our Bucket Brigade's "Two Coins a Meal" mission and feed hungry children in Costa Rica and around the world.

**Lectionary-Based Class:** The Lectionary-based class meets at 9:00 a.m. in the library. We hope you will consider joining us.

**The Thursday Afternoon Bible Study:** Studying the Minor Prophets, Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. in the Parlor.

**Followers In the Spirit Here:** Music, formation, fellowship and more. Wednesdays from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Pre-kindergarten to Senior High. For Lent, we will be offering some "Dinner and More" events after our FISH program. The Schedule looks like this:

Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

Dinner and Project: Bake a Pretzel

No Wednesday dinner Holy Week, March 28<sup>th</sup>;

Maundy Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>

Dinner and Worship with Communion

**Manual of Administrative Operations (MAO):** The MAO has been missing from the church office for about 4 weeks. If you know of its whereabouts, please return it to the office.

**Good Friday Service:** A Good Friday Service will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 103 E. Midland Street, Bay City 48706, on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. with Pastor Rhonda Myers as a participant.

**Afternoon Ladies' Circle:** The afternoon ladies' circle will meet on Monday, March 19, at Independence Village located on Rockwell Drive from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. In this seventh lesson, "Hebrews" centers our attention on God's Sabbath rest where we find hope and support for the future as well as for our current situation. Our mission project is the donation of personal care items to the HELP food pantry. Everyone is welcome! Questions? Please call Sally Ann Sutton at 835-2428.

**Mobile Food Pantry:** The third Mobile Food Pantry (MFP) of this year will be held at the Faith United Methodist Church, 203 Jefferson Street in Coleman, on Wednesday, March 21. Registration at the church will begin at 9:30 a.m. Board of Deacons

**Fun in Faith:** Friday, March 23, at 7:00 p.m. at Ivy Terrace, 402 Joseph Drive in Midland. Please join the group in tasting wines from around the world. There will be a cost of \$10.00 per taster since we were able to get our wines on sale. We would ask that each twosome bring an appetizer to share. The Buells are offering a special BO-GO (Buy one, Get one offer) for first time attendees of a Fun in Faith event. Sign up on the poster in the foyer. Thanks. Questions? Call Buells at 835-4542.

**Presbyterian Women Luncheon:** We will meet Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at Shirlene's at 11:30 a.m. Sign-up by Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. There is a sign-up sheet on the PW bulletin

board in the foyer. Hope to see you all there. Call Alice Wiltse, 631-7271, if you have any questions.

**Donations to HELP in 2017:** Thanks to everyone who donated food and personal care items, birthday kits, and money to the HELP pantry last year. In 2017, we donated 498 individual items. Thanks to Beverly and Barry Moyer who take all the items and birthday kits to the pantry located in Memorial Presbyterian Church on the fourth Sunday of every month. HELP is one of the eight food pantries in the Midland County Emergency Food Pantry Network. Board of Deacons

**Sunday Flowers:** Did you know that you can honor someone special with flowers? To do this, a flower chart is available in the kiosk. Choose the week you would like to have the flowers at the church. The week prior, you will be contacted for the dedication information. At the end of the service, you can take the flowers home. Flowers are \$30 and envelopes are available in the kiosk.

**One Great Hour of Sharing** is collected each year on Easter. One of the agencies who profits from this offering is The Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP). PHP is a ministry of the PC (USA) working with congregations and partners around the globe to end hunger and stop its causes. Nationally and internationally, many programs and partnerships complement each other in this work. The work to end the struggles of people around the world supports God's vision of a community where all people have enough healthy and culturally appropriate food. In the U.S., many grant partners have impacted local and national change in maintaining effective safety nets, addressing worker and immigration issues for the working poor, and developing robust and healthy alternative food systems that address rural and urban poverty in sustainable ways. Envelopes are available in the pew racks for these donations. Please make checks out to Chapel Lane and add OGHS in the memo line. Thank you from the Board of Deacons.

**Midland Area Homes** is looking for a few people who would be interested in volunteering as a team to pick up furniture donations. The team commitment would be every 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. They provide the truck and a furniture dolly. The maximum number of homes that are scheduled per week is six and they are residents of the city of Midland. If you are able to help, contact Cindy Armbruster at Midland Area Homes, 989-496-9550.

#### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Today through April 1, 2018**

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**The Living Last Supper** will be presented on Thursday, March 29, at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 3701 Jefferson Avenue in Midland. This is the 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the presentation and it is the original version which was started in Arlington, Virginia

in 1964. It was brought to Trinity in 2004. There is no admission charge, but a free will offering can be made. All are invited to attend.

**Hospice Volunteer Training:** MidMichigan Home Care is seeking hospice volunteers in the Clare, Gladwin, Gratiot, Isabella, Mecosta, Midland and Montcalm areas, as well as for Woodland Hospice House.

Woodland Hospice House, 2597 S. Meridian Road, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Tuesday, March 20, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 21, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

MidMichigan Home Care, 3007 N. Saginaw Road, Midland, MI 48640

Tuesday, June 12, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 13, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Volunteer trainees must attend all sessions. Those interested in becoming a hospice volunteer may apply at [www.midmichigan.org/careers](http://www.midmichigan.org/careers). For more information, call Cindy Lutz at 989-633-1467 or email [Cindy.Lutz@midmichigan.org](mailto:Cindy.Lutz@midmichigan.org).

***Participants in Today's Service***

**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Rhonda Myers  
**Musicians(8:15):** Aubrey Root, Doug Moe  
**(10:00):** Karen Graef, Dr. Tim Hendrickson  
**Worship Leader(8:15):** Howard Lewis  
**(10:00):** Olivia Mayer  
**Ushers (10:00):** Mike and Cathy Starch, Carol Rowe  
**Nursery:** Renee White and Jennifer Hahn  
**Ministers:** *All the members of Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church*

**Our Mission Statement**

*Celebrating our diversity of gifts, we  
seek to serve Christ by serving others  
with grace, love and laughter.*

***Chapel Lane Presbyterian Church***

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