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**March 22, 2026**  
8AM and 10:30AM Worship

Fifth Sunday in Lent

**Rev. Dr. Frederick A. Young**

*Awakening joyful service guided by our still speaking God!*

*Lent is a time of intensive preparation for us all. We study the world in its reality, its temptations, its shadows, its betrayals. We fast and we pray and engage in spiritual preparation to follow Jesus faithfully to the end. We open ourselves to Jesus' love; we try to live up to it. All of Lent leads up to holy Week, the week in which Jesus enters Jerusalem and faces death. It begins with Palm Sunday, heads to the meal in the Upper Room and ends with those closest to Christ witnessing his death on the cross.*

*Purple is the color of Lent, but Holy Week is framed in the red and black of the Passion of Palm Sunday and Good Friday. Lent may provide a time for community and individual preparation for the following of Jesus on the most difficult of paths, the path of self-sacrificing love.*

*\*Please stand as you are able; **BOLD** print - congregational response*

TIME OF SHARING/GREETING

PRELUDE – “Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart”

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Breath of Life, you animate us.

**We come before you, seeking revival from within.**

Holy One, when you speak, great things happen.

**Empower us to make great things happen.**

Matchless One, you bring good things to life.

**We desire to bring good things to life too.**

**\*HYMN “Halle Halle Halle”** *(insert)*

**\*PRAYER**

**Life Giver, come and revive us again. Indwell us with your spirit and let our souls awake to joy. We come boldly that you might breathe on us. May what we experience with you today change us forever and for the better. Amen.**

**\*RESPONSE TO PRAYER #188 “Give Me a Clean Heart”**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, Mender of Hearts, we confess that sometimes in our brokenness, we cause brokenness in others. Sometimes in our woundedness, we wound others. In these despairing moments, we need healing and restoration. We give thanks that we are never beyond your reach or grace. Amen.**

*(Moment for Silent Prayer)*

KYRIE #750

Lord, have mercy upon us.

***Lord, have mercy upon us.***

Christ, have mercy upon us.

***Christ, have mercy upon us.***

Lord, have mercy upon us.

***Lord, have mercy upon us.***

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

God's mercy makes wholeness possible and our wholeness is rooted in becoming who we are meant to be—living sanctuaries. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC (10:30am)

## A TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

### SCRIPTURES

Psalm 130

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

<sup>2</sup>Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

<sup>3</sup>If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

<sup>5</sup>I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

<sup>6</sup>my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,  
more than those who watch for the morning.

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love,  
and with him is great power to redeem.

<sup>8</sup>It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup>Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup>So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." <sup>4</sup>But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." <sup>5</sup>Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup>after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. <sup>7</sup>Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." <sup>8</sup>The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" <sup>9</sup>Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. <sup>10</sup>But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." <sup>11</sup>After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." <sup>12</sup>The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." <sup>13</sup>Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. <sup>14</sup>Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. <sup>15</sup>For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." <sup>16</sup>Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

<sup>17</sup>When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup>Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, <sup>19</sup>and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. <sup>20</sup>When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup>Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." <sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." <sup>24</sup>Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." <sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup>and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" <sup>27</sup>She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." <sup>28</sup>When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." <sup>29</sup>And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup>The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" <sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." <sup>45</sup>Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

SERMON  
*"Jesus Wept"*

**HYMN #237 "I Come to the Garden Alone"**

PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed #881

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

\*CELEBRATION OF OUR GIFTS

God is the source of our resources.  
Let us give from what we have been supplied.  
May our offerings meet every demand. Amen.

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #403 (v1)

*My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' love and righteousness;  
I dare not trust this earthly frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Divine Sustainer, receive this offering that we gladly give.  
May it be used to revive and restore those in need. Amen.**

\*HYMN #433 "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

\*FINAL BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

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***For an updated prayer list, please check the front table of the Gathering Area. Please call the office to be removed.***

**JUST A REMINDER THAT THE BLESSING ROOM WILL BE OPEN MONDAY, MARCH 30TH FROM 10:00AM-11:00AM.** Supplies are needed as well as volunteers to help set up and tear down. If you can help, it would be greatly appreciated. Please arrive at 9:00am to help set-up. Tearing down takes about an hour. A list of suggested items is available in the Gathering Area. Remember, anything you use, they use. NO oral drugs please! Thank you!

**YOUTH BIBLE AND BREW – Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00pm-8:00pm at Waldo's & Company.** Coffee, tea, hot chocolate. We will enjoy each other's company, have some caffeine, and stimulating conversation. Bring at least 1 friend. Sign-up in Gathering Area.

**PALM SUNDAY DINNER – March 29, 2026 following the 10:30am service.** Sign-up sheet is located in the Gathering Area. **Menu:** Baked Haddock, Macaroni & Cheese and Dutch Lettuce Salad. Please bring a dessert to share.

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING (OGHS) – Rebuilding lives with love.** When you give to OGHS, you are sharing your love offering to the world-through disaster relief, economic development, or essentials like food, water, and shelter. Your love is shared in practical, life sustaining, and transformative ways. **Flyers and giving envelopes in the pews and Gathering Area.** Donations accepted until the end of March.

**FROM THE HISTORY TASK FORCE:** New Pictures have been placed in the History Cabinet depicting more recent confirmation classes of Pastor Fox. Can you find anyone you know?

**5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS RESULTS:**

**March – Adams Rescue Mission -** Envelopes are available in the pews and Gathering Area. Make checks payable to Trinity UCC, memo line - ARM

**May – Gettysburg Community Soup Kitchen**

**August – Adams County Library System**

**November – South Central Community Action Program (SCCAP)**

**A total of 2,058 diapers and 1088 wipes were recently delivered to Tender Care.** There is a need for sizes 5 – 6 diapers. Thank you for your support and please continue to donate diapers for this much needed community mission.

**MISSION CENTRAL** – Since 2002, Mission Central has existed to *connect God's resources with human need* – locally, nationally, and around the world. Through partnerships with more than 200 organizations, we supply essential resources to those providing humanitarian aid and critical care. From flood recover efforts to school supply distributions, or medical equipment, we stand ready to respond – wherever and whenever we're needed. **Join the mission, let's make a difference – together.** Mission Central is located at 5 Pleasant Drive in Mechanicsburg, PA. *There will be a group from the Gettysburg United Methodist Church going up on Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you are interested in going, please contact Carl Barrick 717-339-9732.*

**ATTENDANCE 3/15:** 8:00am 21 10:30am 35 On-line 163 TOTAL 219

**FINANCE REPORT 3/15:**

Envelope Offering Need: \$40,832.00 Envelope Offering Rec'd: \$36,027.32

Property Fund Need: \$4,235.00 Property Offering Rec'd: \$1,825.00

**THIS WEEK**

**Today, 3/22:** 6:00pm – 8:00pm Youth Bible & Brew – *Waldo's*

**Monday, 3/23:** 9:30am RRP Fund Raising Meeting – *Fellowship Hall*

**Tuesday, 3/24:** NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

**Wednesday, 3/25:** 7:00pm Choir - *Sanctuary*

**Thursday, 3/26:** 8:45am-10:15am Deb/Bruce out for 1-1/2 hours.

**Friday, 3/27:** 9:30am Flutes – *Fellowship Hall*

**Saturday, 3/28:** 10:30am Sue Churchill Memorial Service/Reception

**Next Sunday, 3/29:** Palm Sunday – New Members

Palm Sunday Dinner following 10:30 worship – *Fellowship Hall*

**Worship Participants**

**Rev. Dr. Frederick A. Young**

Pastor

**Jim Orner 8:00am**

**Carl Glover 10:30am**

Liturgists

**Sara Shank**

Organist/Choir Director

**Mark Luckenbaugh**

Percussionist

**Alison & Joe Lysitt 10:30am**

Greeters

**Sonny Coble 8:00am**

**Carl Barrick 10:30am**

Usher

**Bonnie Smith**

Acolyte

**Georgia Hollabaugh, Kara Young, Russell Bailey,**

Tech Team

**Suhua Dong, Stacey Rushwald, George Steckert, Ruth Krietz, Terry Krietz, Garrison Redding,**

**Nina Redding, Cindy Kidd, Bette Bunce, Chris Swinn.**

# Halle Halle Halle

Words and Music by  
Hal H. Hopson

## CHORUS

G Bm/D G D/F# Em Em/D C C/B Am7 Am D7

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah.

G Bm/D G D/F# Em Am G/D D G C/G G C/G

9 Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le - lu - jah. jah.

1,3,5 2,4,6  
Fine

## VERSE

G Am/G

1. Praise God in this ho - ly place, ev - 'ry na - tion, ev - 'ry race.  
2. Ev 'ry - thing that breathes now praise; Sing your songs, let voic - es raise.

23 Gmaj7 Am7 Dsus D G

Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the Lord. Sound the trum - pet, sound it clear.  
Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the Lord. Play the cym - bals, play the lute;

29 Am Gmaj7 Am7 Dsus D

Sound it for the world to hear. Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the Lord.  
Play the tim - brel, play the flute. Come, make joy - ful mu - sic to the Lord.

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I Come to the Garden Alone  
(In the Garden)

237

C. Austin Miles, 1912

1. I come to the gar-den a-lone,  
while the dew is still on the ros-es;  
And the voice I hear, fall-ing on my ear,  
the Son of God dis-clos-es.

*Refrain:*

And he walks with me, and he talks with me,  
and he tells me I am his own,  
And the joy we share as we tar-ry there,  
none oth-er has ev-er known.

2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice  
is so sweet the birds hush their sing-ing;  
And the mel-o-dy that he gave to me  
with-in my heart is ring-ing.

*Refrain:*

3. I'd stay in the gar-den with him,  
though the night a-round me be fall-ing;  
But he bids me go; through the voice of woe  
his voice to me is call-ing.

*Refrain:*

John 20:14–18

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## In the Bulb There Is a Flower

433

Natalie Sleeth, 1985

1. In the bulb there is a flow-er; in the seed, an ap-ple tree;  
in co-coons, a hid-den prom-ise: but-ter-flies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of win-ter there's a spring that waits to be,  
un-re-vealed un-til its sea-son, some-thing God a-lone can see.
  
2. There's a song in ev-ery si-lence, seek-ing word and mel-o-dy;  
there's a dawn for ev-ery dark-ness, bring-ing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the fu-ture; what it holds, a mys-ter-y,  
un-re-vealed un-til its sea-son, some-thing God a-lone can see.
  
3. In our end is our be-gin-ning; in our time, in-fin-i-ty;  
in our doubt there is be-liev-ing; in our life, e-ter-ni-ty.  
In our death, a res-ur-rec-tion; at the last, a vic-to-ry,  
un-re-vealed un-til its sea-son, some-thing God a-lone can see.

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