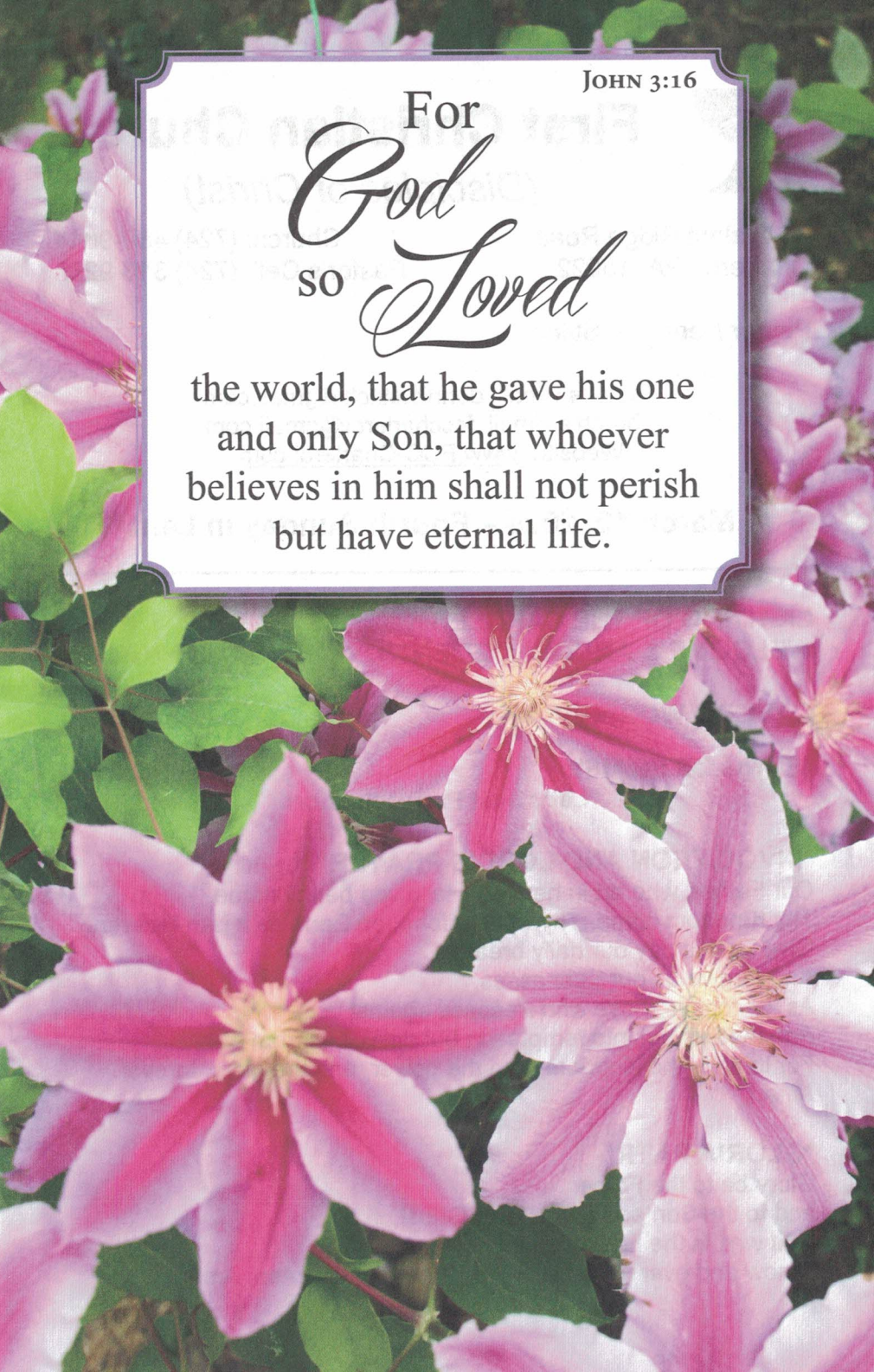


JOHN 3:16

For
God
SO *Loved*

the world, that he gave his one
and only Son, that whoever
believes in him shall not perish
but have eternal life.





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March 10, 2024 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Debra Caldwell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Debra Caldwell

***SONG OF PRAISE**

Chorus Book #57

"Let's Just Praise the Lord"

***INVOCATION AND 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 trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen

PRAYER HYMN

HYMNAL #256 (all verses)

“The Old Rugged Cross”

PRAYER FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastor Dennis

CHOIR ANTHEM

“All to Jesus Surrender,” Hurley

PASTOR DENNIS’ ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

The Service of the Word

***SCRIPTURE**

Pastor Dennis

John 3:14-17 AMP

¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the [bronze] serpent in the desert [on a pole], so must the Son of Man be lifted up [on the cross], ¹⁵ so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life [after physical death, and will actually live forever].

¹⁶ “For God so [greatly] loved *and* dearly prized the world, that He [even] gave His [One and] ¹⁶ only begotten Son, so that whoever believes *and* trusts in Him [as Savior] shall not perish, but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send the Son into the world to judge *and* condemn the world [that is, to initiate the final judgment of the world], but that the world might be saved through Him.

SERMON

BELIEVE

Pastor Dennis

OFFERING REMINDER

Pastor Dennis

OFFERING COLLECTION

***PRAISE RESPONSE**

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

The Service of the Table

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor Dennis

COMMUNION HYMN

**Hymnal #266 (all 4 verses)
"Nothing but the Blood"**

PRAYER FOR THE LOAF AND CUP

Elders

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Going Forth in Love and Service

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP/WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

**HYMNAL #430
Reach Out To Jesus**

***BENEDICTION**

May God's Grace and Peace be with you ALWAYS!

***CLOSING PRAYER Psalm 19:14 ESV**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

(* Please stand if you are able.

PRAYER CONCERNS

- * For prayers for Terri Fabrizio, (Mary Lou Lachman's youngest daughter), who has kidney cancer. Removal of her kidney was done on 3/8/24. Requested by: Mary Lou
- * For prayers for Frank Paterra. Requested by: Patrick Kolodychak
- * For Mike Wilkinson asking for thoughts and prayers as he awaits pre-testing for possible prostatic cancer reoccurrence. Requested by: Mike
- * For Miley Ava Delval, who had a fainting spell at softball practice. It was discovered that she has abnormal heart rhythm. Miley will see a cardiologist on Monday, 3/11/24. Requested by: Debbie Colvin
- * For our grandson, Montel Lincoln, 51 years old, who lives in Columbus, Ohio. He had a stroke, is unable to walk, and has slurred speech. Requested by: Mom & Dad Harris
- * For the residents at California Manor who were displaced by fire, including my friend, Harmon Zigler. Requested by: Tom Griffith
- * For my father, Ray Pappas, that God will comfort him and ease his depression. Requested by: Autumn
- * For Susie DeGrange who has a mass on her kidney. She was having a MRI done on 3/1/24. Requested by: Betty Jo
- * For Pam Smith, recovering from neck surgery. She has lost strength in her right arm. Prayers for recovery, strength & comfort.
- * Lila Risch (granddaughter of Bob & Taryn Grant) is continuing to have hip issues. Therefore, as a precautionary measure, Lila will be in a brace, at night only, for the next four months. Requested by: Bob & Taryn.
- * Rose Wilkinson, Mike's Mom, for complete healing of her health issues. Requested by: Mike & Chris Wilkinson
- * Garnet Krutz will have cataract surgery on both eyes. The first surgery is scheduled for March 4th and the second surgery on March 18th.
- * Keep my co-worker, Matt, in prayer. He's still battling an unknown illness. Requested by: Autumn
- * Please keep all of my co-workers in prayer, especially those having their hours at work reduced. Requested by: Autumn
- * Please keep my best friend, Heather, in prayer. She's still dealing with domestic violence issues. Requested by: Missy
- * Please keep my dad in your prayers. He's going to need long- term chemo treatments. Requested by: Tyler & Bre
- * Kevin Downer is having severe knee and ankle pain. Please pray for him. Requested by: Kent Downer

*For my brother-in-law, who has 3 months to live, that he comes to accept Jesus. Requested by: Nancy Dunmeyer
*Diane Rusak with health concerns.
*Tami Rothey (friend of family) had spinal surgery on Monday, February 26th. Requested by: Debbie Lessman
*Dennis Manown (friend of family) currently in Jefferson Hospital. He had mitral valve and tricuspid valves repaired on February 16th. Requested by: Debbie Lessman
*James Robertson (friend of family) currently in MVH, had surgery on February 19th to remove a blood clot from his lung. Requested by: Debbie Lessman
*Renee Jaris who has stomach cancer. Requested by: Sue Latour
*Bill Moffett who has liver cancer and end of life issues. Requested by: Sue Latour
*7 yr. old, Little John, dealing with heart issues. Requested by: Sue Latour

JOYS

Sarah Shenouda, granddaughter of Ken & Sherry Ballentyne, and a 10th grader at Belle Vernon Area High School, will be Mama Ogre and Dragon in Shrek, the Musical March 14-16 at 7:30 PM and Sunday March 17 at 2:30 PM.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.bvabroadway.com.
Adults: \$15.00; Students: \$10.00

Thank you to the congregational members that attended the evening CAMA services. It was so nice to see you there.

The offerings taken are to support the scholarships given out at the bacculaureate service.

UNDER LONG-TERM CARE

<i>Our Leaders*</i>	<i>Marlene Celaschi*</i>	<i>Sophia Renk*</i>
<i>Our Troops*</i>	<i>Ellis & Darla White*</i>	<i>Betty Jo Matesich*</i>
<i>Our Church*</i>	<i>Bill & Garnet Krutz*</i>	<i>Nancy Lessman*</i>
<i>Universities*</i>	<i>Rocky Renk*</i>	<i>Ken & Sherry Ballentyne*</i>
<i>Grace Vandernitte*</i>	<i>Father Bob Hanna*</i>	<i>Kristin Colvin*</i>
<i>Justin Sutch*</i>	<i>David Hanna*</i>	<i>Miley Ava Delval*</i>
<i>Karin Brightwell*</i>	<i>Joseph Wojcik*</i>	<i>Grethen & Tom Speece*</i>
<i>Lila Risch*</i>	<i>Alicia Hruby*</i>	<i>Sarah Matay*</i>
<i>Bertha Zollars*</i>	<i>Jack Sharp*</i>	<i>Gage Peters*</i>
<i>Lois Buberniak*</i>	<i>Hannah Simpson*</i>	<i>Cindy Buckley*</i>
<i>Michael Erdely* (Mike & Sherry's Son)</i>	<i>Karl & Dorothy Semekoski*</i>	<i>Dave & Chrissy Zoltun*</i>
<i>Tanner Riley*</i>	<i>Mason Madzey*</i>	<i>Terri Fabrizio*</i>
<i>Jessica Beimel*</i>	<i>Terri Brownfield*</i>	<i>Laverne Giordanengo*</i>
<i>Heather Simpson*</i>	<i>Victor Angelo*</i>	<i>Margie D'Antonio*</i>
<i>Small Businesses*</i>	<i>Christian Colleges*</i>	<i>Melanie Slattery*</i>
<i>Brian Stillwagon*</i>	<i>Bob Gilpin*</i>	<i>Shelby Kostelac*</i>
<i>Joe & Betty Jo Rapp*</i>	<i>Mary Mannella* Valerie's Mom</i>	<i>Sam & Jane Semekoski *</i>
<i>Bre Randolph*</i>	<i>Tonya Kepich*</i>	<i>Josh Cramer*</i>
<i>Andrew DeBroeck*</i>	<i>Jesse & Joseph Bird*</i>	<i>Connie Siranni*</i>
<i>Ed Yuhas*</i>	<i>Matt Sezawich*</i>	<i>Senia Lowther*</i>
<i>Gene Kite*</i>	<i>Kelly Weaver*</i>	<i>Rev. Chuck House*</i>
<i>Ingri Humphrey*</i>	<i>Betty Draganac*</i>	<i>Sydney Weaver*</i>
<i>Jake Hurley*</i>	<i>Lauren Snyder*</i>	<i>Lauri Garman*</i>
<i>Joan Caldwell*</i>	<i>Janet Hellner-Burris*</i>	<i>Gary Gray*</i>

On March 24, 2024, Soloist, Anita Towler-Burton, will sing during morning worship, after the scripture.

CAMA LENTEN SERVICES

TONIGHT, MARCH 10 – CHURCH – SPEERS METHODIST CHURCH - SPEAKER – REV. DIANE HOBSON

MARCH 17 – CHURCH – FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH SPEAKER – FATHER BOB HANNA

******ALL SERVICES ARE AT 7:00 PM******

THESE EVENING SERVICES ARE VERY ENJOYABLE. PLEASE TRY TO COME TO REPRESENT OUR CHURCH FAMILY.

REFRESHMENTS ARE SERVED AFTER THE WORSHIP SERVICE.

Alvin Taggart from the Senior Center in Charleroi is looking for some Wii bowling participants. Each team needs 4 players + 2 alternates. They practice during the morning.

SYMPATHY AND CONCERNS:

- * For the family and friends of Emily Denny (Wil Weaver's grandmother) who passed away on 3/12/24. Requested by: Debbie Colvin
 - * For the family and friends of Bob Kopko (Pastor Dennis & Valerie's dear friend) who passed away suddenly on 3/13/24. Requested by: Pastor
 - * For the family and friends of Rick Waggoner (Rob's brother and Nancy Lessman's nephew) who passed away suddenly on 3/13/24.
 - * For the family and friends of Brian Jester, who passed away. Requested by: Pam Smith
 - * For Rosie, my dear friend, who passed away 3/2/24. Praying for her salvation. Requested by: Kent Downer
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AND PAYMENT ENVELOPE (\$10) ON TABLE OUTSIDE THE NARTHEX. Please write or print clearly!!! Thank you

PRAYER LETTERS can be signed in person. They are located in the narthex. Leave Margie D'Antonio a prayer request address (in the spiral book) and she will send a prayer letter. Please print clearly. A prayer letter just might make someone's day.

ELDER'S EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND

This fund was established for **ACTIVE MEMBERS** of our church who have financial emergencies and may need help with food, rent, car repairs, utilities, etc. **ACTIVE MEMBER MEANS REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT CHURCH AND/OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH.** Two requests per calendar year only from January-December will be considered. **NO CASH IS GIVEN!**

If you have a need, please contact Paula Barndollar or Diane Rusak.

GREETER(S) SHEET – Please sign-up to be a greeter on Sunday mornings. You will need to be here by 10:30 AM. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. Thank you.

BIRTHDAYS: March 12 – Dr. Michael Erdely, Pam Rice; March 13 – Larry Lincoski; March 14 – Delia McCurdy; March 17 – Colin Santo Rice

Anniversary: None

SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCHEON SPONSORED BY THE GOOD NEWS CLASS, March 17, 2024, after worship.

HARVEST'S BOUNTY VENDOR AND CRAFT SHOW

Where: Charleroi Elementary Center Cafeteria and Gymnasium
When: Saturday, March 16, 2024, 10 AM – 2 PM

*Today's Bulletin Cover is in Honor of
My Husband, Mike.*

Given by: Sherry Erdely

Serving the Church Today

Minister
Worship Leader
Organist/Pianist/Director

Pastor, Dennis J. Stitch
Debra Caldwell
Sherry Erdely

Elders

Debra Caldwell
Thomas Griffith

Greeter(s)

Marla DeMarco

Deacons

Marla Gould
Garnet Krutz

Welcome this morning to First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Charleroi, where God's **GRACE** reigns. We are... **G**od-centered, **R**espectful, **A**ccepting, **C**ommunity-oriented and **E**ncouraging on most days. On other days, we try harder to be a better Christian. Be strong in the LORD! Love one another!

Follow us on Facebook at First Christian Church, Charleroi, PA, or join us on the web at www.FCC-Charleroi.com.

STEWARDSHIP REMINDER

If you happen to miss a Sunday, please don't forget that our lights are still on, the furnace and air conditioner are still in use, the custodian has cleaned the church, and the bills still need to be paid. *Please remember to make up your pledge/offering.* Thank you.

BULLETIN COVER REQUEST SHEET (IN HONOR OR IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE, FRIEND, or OCCASION) is available. SIGN UP SHEET

TODAY: SUNDAY, March 10, 2024

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday 3/10

10:40 AM Elders' prayer before worship
10:45 AM FCC Worship Service
7:00 PM CAMA Lenten Service #4, Speers Methodist Church, Speaker, Rev. Diane Hobson

Tuesday 3/12

6:30 PM CAMA Meeting

Wednesday 3/13

6:30 PM Choir Practice

Thursday 3/14

7:00 PM FCC Board Meeting – Social Hall

Sunday 3/17

10:40 AM Elders' prayer before worship
10:45 AM FCC Worship
Noon Good News Class Soup and Sandwich Luncheon
7:00 PM CAMA Lenten Service #5, First Christian Church, Speaker, Father Bob Hanna – We are hosting. Please bring some type of snack/cookies/jello

Unified Giving Update (2024)

	<u>Offerings</u>	<u>Missions/Outreach</u>
Current Fund	\$3,074.71	\$ 103.29
	<u>3/3</u>	
Attendance (In Church)	70	
Facebook Live	16	
Conference Call	1	

Tri-County Men's Fellowship Dinner and Meeting

When: Thursday, March 21, 2024

Where: Perryopolis First Christian Church (DOC)

Registration: 5:30 pm - Dinner: 6:00 pm

Cost: \$15 – RSVP by March 17, 2024

Menu: Cream Chicken over biscuits, mashed potatoes, green beans, desserts.
