

CASCO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4th SUNDAY IN LENT

Come Grow with Us!

“A CARING COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS FOR ALL AGES”

March 11th, 2018

A Christ Centered Fellowship

“WE GATHER TO WORSHIP!”

**If you are able, please stand.*

“UMCOR SUNDAY”

PRELUDE

Kathy Yankee, Pianist

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND NEWS OF THE LORD’S WORK *Your presence and record of attendance is very important to us. Please Print your name and pass the Attendance Registration Pad to your neighbor. Visitors, may you always feel welcome as our “Special Guests!” If you will give us your full address, we would like to send you a small token of our appreciation for you worshipping with us this morning. May you always feel welcome to return!* **PRAYER REQUESTS-***Your joys and concerns are very important to us. Please feel free to share with the Pastor/Lay Leader before or during worship.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

“Psalm 107:1-9”

Liturgist: Eve Woodward

Liturgist: “O give thanks to the Lord, who is good,
whose steadfast love endures for ever!

**Laity: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom the Lord has redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**

Liturgist: Some wandered in the desert wastes, finding no way to a city in which to dwell;

Laity: hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

Liturgist: Then in their trouble, they cried to the Lord, who delivered them from their distress,

Laity: and led them by a straight way, till they reached a city in which to dwell.

Liturgist: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wonderful works to humankind.

**Laity: For the Lord satisfies those who are thirsty,
and fills the hungry with good things.”**

INTROIT

“Be Thou My Vision”

Antonie Gould & Hilary Mol

INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Amazing Grace”

No. 378

CHILDREN’S TIME

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” - Matthew 19:14 *(All 3-10 year olds who are present are invited following our “Children’s Time” to attend Church School in our “New Addition”.*

ANTHEM

“A Living Prayer”

Antonie Gould & Hilary Mol

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND LOVE OFFERINGS

Offertory

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Antonie Gould & Hilary Mol

*Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

“OUR MINISTRY OF CARING AND SHARING!”

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

(Please feel free to share your Joys and Concerns.)

Pastoral Prayer, Personal Meditation

“The 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 glory forever. Amen!

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Grace Greater than Our Sin”

No. 365

SCRIPTURE READING

“John 3:14-21” (NRSV)

Liturgist: Eve Woodward

SERMON READING

“Ephesians 2:1-10” (NRSV)

Pastor Don Graham

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

“O How He Loves You and Me”

No. 2108

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING CHORAL RESPONSE

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

No. 671

(Verse 1 Only)

POSTLUDE

We Respond to God’s Word and Depart from this Service to Do God’s will...

Children’s Church School: All 3-10 year olds are invited to our educational wing for Sunday School immediately after our “Children’s Time” in Worship.

Lenten Bible Study: ... following Sunday Worship at 11:15 a.m. in our Choir Room, which is located in the 2nd room on the right and on Wednesday at 10 a.m. in our Adult Classroom, 1st room on the left.

Fellowship Time... Please feel free to be our “GUEST” in Fellowship Hall following worship for a beverage and a goodie. Let’s get better acquainted! May you always feel welcome.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Church Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 am – 1 pm

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| <u>Sunday, March 11th</u> | 10:00 am 11:15 am | Worship (Sanctuary) Lenten Bible Study |
| <u>Monday, March 12th</u> <i>(Pastor Don's Day Off)</i> | 10:00 am 3:00 pm | Senior Exercise (Casco Twp Hall) "Hungry For Christ" Mobile Food Pantry |
| <u>Tuesday, March 13th</u> | 1-3:00 pm | Senior Cards/Games (Casco Twp Hall) |
| <u>Wednesday, March 14th</u> | 9-10:00 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm | H2H Backpack Packing Lenten Bible Study Church Council/Finance Meeting |
| <u>Thursday, March 15th</u> | 10:00 am 10:00 am 1:00 pm 3:15-4:30 pm | H2H Delivers Food Senior Exercise (<i>Casco Twp Hall</i>) The JOY Group (Just Older Youth) (<i>6 Chicks Restaurant</i>) Cub Scouts Den Meeting (<i>Pullman Elementary</i>) |
| <u>Friday, March 16th</u> | 10:00 am | "Kumjoinus" Prayer Group |
| <u>Saturday, March 17th</u> | 8:00 am | Men's Breakfast & Lenten Study |
| <u>Sunday, March 18th</u> | 9:15-9:45 am 10:00 am | Choir Practice Worship (Sanctuary) <i>Birthday & Anniversary Recognition</i> <i>All Church Potluck</i> |

THIS WEEK – 3/11

IN HIS SERVICE

NEXT WEEK – 3/18

Altar Flowers: ---
 Children's Time: Volunteer Needed
 North Greeters: Volunteer Needed
 South Greeters: ---
 Ushers: Whitey Marr, Steve Ellmer, Bob Oden, Larry Yankee
 Acolytes: Kaleb & Nattallii
 Liturgist: Eve Woodward
 Coffee Fellowship: Pastor Don & Judy Graham
 Counters: Doug, Rachel, Nancy
 Audio Tech: Guy Rayon, Earl Lash
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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Keep the following persons in your thoughts and prayers: Blanche Wilkinson, Dorothy King, The family of Margaret Christopher, Dorothy Scott, Joyce Bushee, Regina Lash, Ann Marie Teske, The family of Kevin Wilkinson, The family of John Caswick, Julie Missias, Jerry Morris, Doris Marr, Helene Spencer, Joyce Havens, Tony Brush, Bill Oestreich, Lori Tupper, Jerry Jerrett, Barbara Latchaw, Larry Marr, Larry Brush, Arlene Laraway. **Our Service men and women:** Dana Vermilye, Jayare Erickson, Robert Ulmer. **Members & Friends who are shut-ins, or living in assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and health care facilities:** Jackie Welton, Barbara Sutton, Roberta Alexander, Vern Long, Judy Oden, Irene Dukescherer, Lewis Mitchell.

**Casco
 United
 Methodist
 Church's
 Vision and
 Mission
 Statement-
 "Building up
 the Kingdom of
 God... N.O.W.
 through Nurture,
 Outreach, and
 Witness!"**

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