

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH of STOW**

March 18, 2018 10:45 a.m.

**CHRISTIAN GREETINGS**

Rev. Jonathan Rumburg

**PRELUDE**

Organist

**CALL to WORSHIP**

**GATHERING HYMN \***

“Great is the Lord”

CP#15

**INVOCATION \***

**SHARING of the PEACE \***

Jacob Aukeman, Elder

**MESSAGE in MUSIC**

Chancel Choir

*O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus ~ arr. Walter Black*

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

*(Children may go to Junior Church or return to their families today.)*

**GIVING of our TITHES and OFFERINGS**

Stewardship Challenge

Offering Hymn \*

“Give Thanks to the Lord”

CP#132

Prayer of Dedication \*

**SCRIPTURE**

Ephesians 2:1-20

**MESSAGE in WORD**

Free

Rev. Rumburg

**PASTORAL PRAYER and 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 debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

#422

**COMMEMORATION of the LORD’S SUPPER**

*(All who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to share in this commemoration.)*

Call to Communion and Words of Institution

Rev. Rumburg

Prayer of Consecration

Elder

**INVITATION HYMN \***

“Blessed Assurance” vs. 1, 2

#543

*(If you desire to confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior or to transfer your membership here, please come forward.)*

**BENEDICTION \***

**SENDING HYMN \***

“Blessed Assurance” vs. 3

#543

**POSTLUDE**

## THIS WEEK

<b>Sun Mar 18, 2018</b>		
08:30 AM - 09:30 AM	Worship Service	Chapel
09:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Sunday School	Other
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00 PM - 12:20 PM	Governing Board	202 Nazareth
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Coffee Fellowship	203 Library
12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	Children's Choirs	Choir Room
<b>Mon Mar 19, 2018</b>		
12:15 PM - 01:30 PM	Staff Meeting	Choir Room
01:30 PM - 02:30 PM	Monday Study Group	203 Library
<b>Tue Mar 20, 2018</b>		
07:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Boy Scouts	Disciples Hall
07:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Cub Scouts	Fellowship Hall
<b>Wed Mar 21, 2018</b>		
07:00 PM - 08:00 PM	Joyful Noise	201 Judea
<b>Thu Mar 22, 2018</b>		
06:00 PM - 07:15 PM	Joy Bells	201 Judea
07:30 PM - 09:00 PM	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
08:00 PM - 09:30 PM	AA	Fellowship Hall
<b>Sun Mar 25, 2018</b>		
08:30 AM - 09:30 AM	Worship Service	Chapel
09:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Sunday School	Other
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Coffee Fellowship	203 Library
12:15 PM - 01:00 PM	Easter Egg Hunt	Disciples Hall
12:30 PM - 02:00 PM	Children's Choirs	Choir Room



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Share your Prayer Request  
by placing in the Prayer Box located in the Gathering area.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **TODAY**

#### **Governing Board Meeting**

There will be a short Governing Board Meeting in room 202 immediately following the 10:45 am service.

#### **Loaves and Fishes**

**Today 4-6 pm**

**Please join us for food and fellowship.**

Church members are needed to help at the monthly Loaves and Fishes dinners. Greeters, cooks, servers, bakers, delivery (to our shut-in members) and clean-up. It is only 2 hours on the third Sunday of the month. Thank you to all who have helped in the past.

Please see Pat Mahaffey or Tim Neitz for information or sign up with the sheets in the gathering area.

#### **Walk for Cleveland Christian Home**

Cleveland Christian Home's annual Walk for the Children will be April 28. This year we will participate in honor of Margaret Fisher who walked and excelled at collecting pledges for many, many years. We are looking for volunteers. If you are interested in helping fill Margaret's walking shoes please let us know on the back of your Connection Card.

#### **Bulldog Bags**

From mid-March through mid-April, we are collecting 2 in one shampoo (shampoo with conditioner combined). Please place in bin marked Bulldog Bags. Bulldog Bags support over 500 students in our community and help bridge a gap that would otherwise go unfilled. Thank you for your continued support.

### **Palm Sunday**

**March 25**

Our 10:45 Service will open with the children processional as they wave palm leaves commemorating Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

**March 25**

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Sunday, March 25, in Disciple Hall following 10:45 a.m. worship. Please bring your basket to collect eggs! All children through 5th grade welcome!

Donations of "egg fillers" (candy or non-candy) are appreciated! Please bring donations Sunday March 18. Easter basket for donations is located in the Gathering Area. Thank you!

### **All-Day Prayer Vigil**

**Saturday, March 24th 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM**

Help to prepare for Holy Week by participating in our annual All-Day Prayer Vigil. The vigil will be held on Saturday, March 24th from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM. Several opportunities to engage in prayerful meditation will be available to accommodate different tastes, from traditional reflection and prayer in the Chapel to a time of more sensory and creative expression using coloring and drawing—perfect for families with children--in the adjacent classroom off the Chapel.

A sign-up sheet listing available half-hour shifts is available in the gathering area. For more information contact Jonathan or a member of the Worship committee. Let us plan to be a community of prayer as we prepare ourselves for Holy Week.

**Join us for these Special  
Holiday Events and Services**

- **All-Day Prayer Vigil**, Saturday, March 24 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Palm Sunday**, March 25, Worship at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.  
**Easter Egg Hunt** following late service
- **Maundy Thursday**, March 29, Agape Service at 6:30 in Disciple Hall
- **Community Good Friday Service**, March 30 at noon in our sanctuary
- **Easter**, April 1, Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m., Worship at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

**SAVE the DATE:**

Community Showcase April 7-8