

Hilton United Methodist Church  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, February 7, 2016, 10:00 am

We Gather to Worship

Prelude *Dr. Hye-Bin Song*

Call to Worship *Rev. Jennifer Green*

Introit "You Who Are Thirsty" *Barbara Ross*

Opening Prayer *Linda Blossom, Lay Liturgist*

God of wonder and glory, this world around us is awesome.  
You created it!  
You continue to hold it together,  
even as we threaten to tear it apart.

God of justice and righteousness,  
to you we look for the truth.  
You are the ultimate judge.  
Your wisdom cuts through the lies.

God of grace and mercy,  
the love you have shown us in Jesus is more than we deserve.  
Your arms are open wide,  
like a waiting father for his prodigal children,  
ready to welcome and restore.

We come to you just now thirsting for your living water.  
Guide us to the streams of your wonder and glory,  
your justice and righteousness, your grace and mercy,  
that we may drink and be satisfied,  
renewed for our continuing journey with Jesus.

All: This we pray in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit....

*~ posted on the Long Green Valley Church of the Brethren website.*

\* Hymn: "Gather Us In" TFWS #2236

Experiencing God Through God's Word

\* Gospel Lesson John 4: 1-26 p 752 lp 1651  
L: This is the Word of God for the people of God  
P: Thanks be to God.

The Word for Children  
*Children ages 6-12 may now be dismissed for Jr. Church in the Youth Room*

Choral Anthem "New Life to New People" *Louis Harris*

Message: "The Grand Sweep: Are You Thirsty" *Rev. Jennifer Green*

We Respond to God's Word

Song: "The River is Here" video on screen

The Celebration of Baptism: Rylie Fox  
Parents: James & Tabitha Fox

\* Hymn: "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" UMH # 611

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer and Personal Confession

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

<i>God, I thank you for....</i> <i>God, I need help with .....</i>
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*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*

Celebration of Holy Communion UMH pg 13

*[Please note: You may offer your tithes and offerings during Communion.  
The offering plates will be placed near the communion stations.]*

## We Go Forth to Serve God

\* Hymn: "I've Got Peace Like a River" TFWS #2145

Ministry Opportunities

The Benediction

Benediction Response: "Victory in Jesus" vs 1 UMH # 370

Postlude

\* Stand in body or spirit P = Bible page number, LP = Large Print Bible page  
TFWS # = The Faith We Sing Hymnal; UMH # or # = The United Methodist Hymnal

The Grand Sweep - Our Grand Sweep adventure of reading through the Bible continues.  
This Week's Reading [Week #43]: John 6- John 21 and Psalms 141-147

### PRAYER CONCERNS:

Project Chacocente Mission Trip 2016

Persecuted Christians around the world;

The Hand to Plow Process;

Our Mission Outreach Children: Marbelly and Ariel Velasquez Alvarado.

Residents of Care Facilities: Bob Hall; Gloria Hamm; Eleanor Harrington; Bill Hess;  
Marie Nundy, Betty Schultz; Natalie Turner.

Ongoing Health Concerns: Bob Comstock; Ron Davies; Ed Earnhart; Betty Everts;  
Alea Floyd; Andrew Hardy; Margaret Hendershot; Michele List; Mike Postilli; Betty  
Sullivan; John Sweeney; Chris Wanjon.

Service people: Sgt. Michael T. Bigley; Gen. James Blackburn; St. Sgt. Jason  
Brackley; Sgt. Ryan P. Campbell; LCpl. Nathan Coffey; Sgt. FC David Colucci; Msgt.  
Matthew Emerson; Capt Scott Fuller; Pvt Annika Moody; Sgt. Nick Mucci; Maj.  
Jathan Payne; LCpl Scott Ponton; Maj Nathan Thompson; Sr Airman Steven  
Trembley; Sgt. Cody Wise.

\* If you know of anyone that should be added to this list please let us know.



February 7, 2016

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*Our Mission: "Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world"*

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Following Christ ☆ Connecting Generations ☆ Transforming Communities

**Welcome to worship.** We pray you feel God's presence in this place. Please sign the attendance pad so we may get to know you and pray for you and your family. Please consider joining us for refreshments and fellowship immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall, which is located down the stairs near the entrances

**This Week:**

Today: Worship at 10:00am  
Coffee & Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall  
A **Disciples Path Study** – 11:30am in the Multi-Purpose Room (couch area)  
**Adult Sunday School 11:30am – Library**  
Youth Sunday School 11:30am – in the Youth Room  
Children's Sunday School 11:30 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
**Bowling Party – 2pm Pleasure Lanes**

Monday: Prayer Group @ 9:15am  
GS #889 6:30pm FH

Tuesday: GS #939 6pm - FH  
**Trustees Meeting – 6:30pm Library**  
**SPPRC Meeting 7:00pm**

Wednesday: Friendly Quilters – 9-12pm FH  
Ash Wednesday Service at Parma Greece UCC at 12 noon  
**Ash Wednesday Service 7:00pm Sanctuary**  
Choir Rehearsal following Service

Thursday: Bible Study – 1pm Library

Friday: **SLAM 5:30-7:30pm** FH & Youth Room  
AA – FH 7pm

Saturday: PCF Worship – Sanctuary 5:00pm

Sunday: **Pancake Breakfast 8:30-9:30am**  
PCF Worship – Sanctuary 8:30am  
**Worship @ 10am**  
Fellowship & Coffee hour  
A Disciple's Path Study – 11:30 MPR  
Sunday School 11:30am

Pastor Jennifer will be away on a Mission Trip from February 13<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
If you need pastoral care while Pastor Jennifer is away, please contact our Office Manager, Pat Van Vleck (office – 392-8761 or cell 355-1035) and she will put you in touch with our 'on-call' pastor.

**Dear Church Family** – as most of you know Bill Hess now resides at the VA in Canandaigua. What you might not know is that Bill's 82<sup>nd</sup> Birthday is on February 16<sup>th</sup>. We would love to 'shower' him with cards... Please take a moment to send a card to Bill at: Bill Hess, Sr. or Sparky at: C/O Laurie Manzer  
Canandaigua VA 1439 Creek Pointe  
Bldg 7A Rm 129 Farmington, NY 14425  
Canandaigua, NY 14424

**Staff at HUMC**

Pastor: Rev. Jennifer Green  
Office Mngr: Patricia Van Vleck  
Music Coord.: Karen Bernhardt Kuntz  
Custodian: Bill Schubert  
Organist: Dr. Hye-Bin Song  
Youth Coord.: Angela Merrill  
Nursery: Amy Quartieri

**Disciples Active In Worship This Week**

Head Usher: Ernie McKenzie  
Greeters: Agnes Smalley & Barb Hare  
Guides: Ann Hurlimann & Carolyn Rickman  
Nursery Ass't: Maya Johnson  
Sound Booth: Deb Ortiz-Pardi  
Coffeeshour: Evelyn Seeger & Deb Bunt  
Worship Coord.: Scott Campbell  
Financial Sec.: Sally Lee  
Ministers: The Whole Congregation

Communion Servers: Kathy Blackburn, Linda Barnard, Val Brackley, Trent Green, Sharon Miller & Wayne Miller

**Bowling Party TODAY:**

Sunday, February 7 at 2:00 PM\_at HJP "Pleasure Lanes" in Hilton  
We will bowl two games, then have pizza.  
Cost is \$5 for two games including shoes.

## What is Lent?

February 10<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten season in the Christian church.

Lent is the period of 40 days (excluding Sundays) from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. The season is a preparation for celebrating Easter. “Historically, Lent began as a period of fasting and preparation for baptism by converts and has now become a time of penance by all Christians.

There are a lot of Christian practices that I look forward to: Worshipping with other believers, Bible study, fellowshiping with others, prayer and reflection time. However, I hear the word “fasting” and my ears almost close. I am like the toddler who puts their hands over their ears and screams as an adult tells them something they don’t want to hear.

Fasting means “giving up” something. It means denying myself a comfort. It means not eating and getting a headache and a severe case of the “grumpies.” Most all of us have fasted from food for a blood test or even surgery. We grumble and complain and even dread that period of fasting. However, very few of us use fasting as a spiritual discipline.

I wonder what our spiritual life would be like if we decided to implement the discipline of fasting to our spiritual life? Would we grow closer to God? Would we discover new and interesting things not only about God but also about ourselves?

Fasting does not necessarily need to be denying ourselves food. It can be abstaining from food and for some this is the most effective form of fasting. However, for others fasting can be abstaining from anything that can hinder our relationship with God and others.

- Do you find yourself spending time on Facebook, games, or other websites on your phone, tablet, or computer while your family functions around you?
- Do you find yourself needing to get the latest jackpot lottery ticket or feeling like you might miss out if you don’t?
- Do you find yourself binge watching Netflix and other web based t.v. instead of attending worship or going to Bible study?
- Do you need to know the latest gossip around town?

Perhaps these things seem extreme, but they are all things that hinder God’s relationship with everyday people.

This Lent, I invite you to observe a Holy Lent. Choose something from which to fast.

When you feel the inclination to take part in that particular activity or eat that certain food, think of God. Think of the sacrifice God made in Jesus Christ on your behalf.

I truly believe that if we use the fast to grow in closer relationship with Jesus we will do just that and truly be able to celebrate the Resurrection!

May our Lent be filled with a little more prayer and a lot more Jesus!!

See you in worship,  
Pastor Jennifer

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Wednesday, February 10, 2015 ~ 7:00 p.m.  
Hilton United Methodist Church

Also, Parma-Greece United Church of Christ  
Will be having an Ash Wednesday Service  
At 12 noon  
That you are invited to attend

Lenten Devotionals are available on the table in the Narthex/Lobby.  
Also there is a special Africa 360 Lenten Devotional on the Conference website at [www.unyumc.org](http://www.unyumc.org)

## Lenten Luncheons 2016

Come join us for a simple lunch of soup and sandwich and a Lenten meditation. All lunches will take place at Hilton United Methodist Church on Wednesdays during the Lenten season at noon. Lenten Luncheon dates are as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Hosts</u>
Wednesday February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Parma Greece UCC
Wednesday February 24 <sup>th</sup>	St Leo’s Catholic Church
Wednesday March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hilton United Methodist Church
Wednesday March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Hilton Baptist Church
Wednesday March 16 <sup>th</sup>	St. George’s Episcopal Church

The year’s theme will be based on Adam Hamilton’s book 24 Hours That Changed the World. We hope you will join us!

