

PICTURES OF
JESUS
IN THE OT
FEASTS

The Lamb of the Pass-Over



Ebensburg Presbyterian Church
1st Sunday in Lent
February 21, 2021

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GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER Acts 19:26

**Merciful God,
you are worthy of all our praises and we come together to raise our voices in
thanksgiving and adoration for your wondrous works in our lives. You're the living
God; giver of the living water through Christ. Other gods are the works of hands, but
you are the only God, our Father. Come NOW Lord, meet us at the Well of your mercy
and manifest yourself to us this morning, through your Words and songs of Praise.
Come Lord, empower us to worship you this morning in Christ Jesus. Amen.**

*HYMN ##774 (in Colver hymnal) There Is Now a New Creation (see insert)

CALL TO CONFESSION: 1 John 1:8-10

In the name of Christ, I urge you: Be reconciled to God.
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (in unison)

**In the season of Lent, O God, we say lofty words about renewing our spiritual
disciplines, journeying with you to the cross, or denying ourselves material wants for
the good of the soul. Forgive us, O God, if our actions are in vain: if we are concerned
with the good of the soul rather than the good of your people; if we have twisted this
season of penitence into a reason for praise or judgment; if we are so preoccupied
with the sins of the world that we cannot recognize and confess the sins of our own
lives. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free us to
try again. Amen**

[silent confession]

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (responsively) 2 Cor. 5:17

Listen, the time has come at last.
Look, now is the day of salvation!
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRIA

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST: (responsively)

The Peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.
(Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.)

GOD'S WORD IS PROCLAIMED

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Gracious God, our way in the wilderness, guide us by your Word through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may be reformed, restored, and re-newed: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Exodus 12:1-11 Page 51

Second Reading: John 1:29 Page 862

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Pictures of Jesus in the OT Feasts—PASSOVER

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE (responsively) Philippians 2:9–11

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,
we bend our knees and lift up our hearts,
giving glory to God forever. **Amen.**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (in unison)—Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.12, 9.14.

The reconciling act of God in Jesus Christ exposes the evil in people as sin in the sight of God. In sin, people claim mastery of their own lives, turn against God and each other, and become exploiters and despoilers of the world. They lose their humanity in futile striving and are left in rebellion, despair, and isolation. But God's love never changes. Against all who oppose the divine will, God expresses love in wrath. In the same love, God bore judgment and shameful death in Jesus Christ, to bring all people to repentance and new life.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is the Lord's table and
our Savior invites those who trust him,
to share the feast which he has prepared.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (responsively)

The Lord be with you.
And also, with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,
eternal God, our creator. We praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of heaven,
and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your
name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy, O God of majesty,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts,
we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us,
and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ.
Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of
ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, O God,
and upon these your gifts of bread and wine,
that the bread we break and the cup we bless
may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.
By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ
and with all who are baptized in his name,
that we may be one in ministry in every place.
As this bread is Christ's body for us,
send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

Today you have called us together to be the church. Unite us now at your table, and in
one loaf and a common cup, make us one in Christ Jesus. Let your Spirit empower the
life we share and ignite our witness in the world. With all who have gone before us,
keep us faithful to the gospel teachings and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the
prayers.

Give us strength to serve you until the promised day of the resurrection, when with the
redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory. Through Christ, all
glory and honor are yours, almighty God, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now
and forever. As Christ our Savior taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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 forgive 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.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord Jesus, on the night of his betrayal, took a loaf of bread, and after he had given thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said:

Take, eat. This is my body, broken for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, saying:

This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood,
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you
proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord, until he comes
again.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Breaking the Bread

Sharing the Cup

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (in unison)

Thank you, gracious God, for giving us bread for the journey of these forty days. As we travel on through the wilderness, help us to share your grace with others and draw us ever closer to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN #347 Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive (verses 1, 2 & 4)

*BLESSING AND CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION Psalm 51:1, 11

May the steadfast love of God,
the abundant grace of Jesus Christ,
and the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit be with you this day and always. Amen.

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Please rise in body or in spirit

Psalm 25:1-10

- ¹ In you, Lord my God, I put my trust.
² I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
³ No one who hopes in you
will ever be put to shame,
but shame will come on those
who are treacherous without cause.
⁴ Show me your ways, Lord,
teach me your paths.
⁵ Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.
⁶ Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love,
for they are from of old.
⁷ Do not remember the sins of my youth
and my rebellious ways;
according to your love remember me,
for you, Lord, are good.
⁸ Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.
⁹ He guides the humble in what is right and
teaches them his way.
¹⁰ All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful
toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.

PRAYER LIST

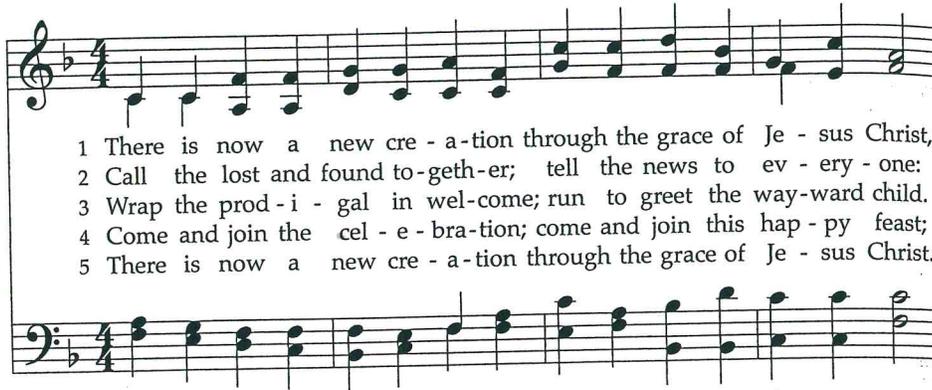
If you have any names you would like added to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920 or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

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Ashton Dixon
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Chuck Marcinko
Colleen Wagner
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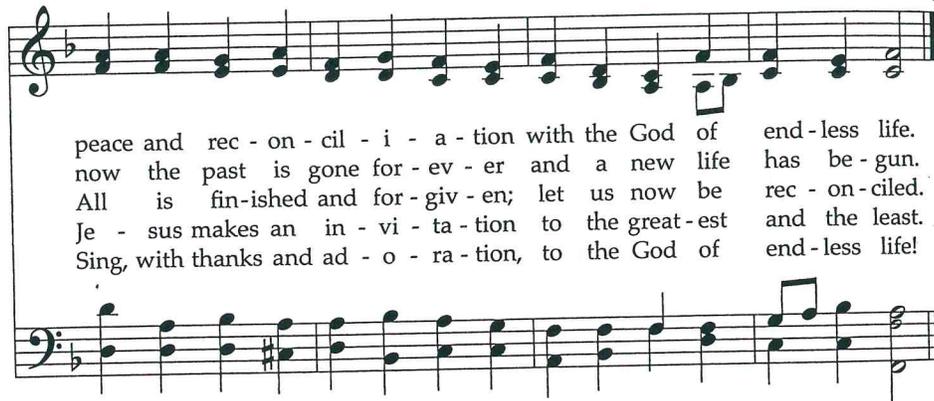
Steve Brulia
Len Dixon
John Magyar
Curtis Mellott
Marilyn Westrick
Todd Youngblood

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

774 There Is Now a New Creation



1 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ,
2 Call the lost and found to - geth - er; tell the news to ev - ery - one;
3 Wrap the prod - i - gal in wel - come; run to greet the way - ward child.
4 Come and join the cel - e - bra - tion; come and join this hap - py feast;
5 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ.



peace and rec - on - cil - i - a - tion with the God of end - less life.
now the past is gone for - ev - er and a new life has be - gun.
All is fin - ished and for - giv - en; let us now be rec - on - ciled.
Je - sus makes an in - vi - ta - tion to the great - est and the least.
Sing, with thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, to the God of end - less life!

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

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DETROIT CM

Rosamond E. Herklots, 1969, 1983

Supplement to *Kentucky Harmony*, 1820
Harm. Margaret W. Mealy (b. 1922)

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part is written in grand staff notation. The lyrics are as follows:

1. "For - give our sins as we for - give," You taught us, Lord, to pray,
2. How can Your par - don reach and bless The un - for - giv - ing heart
3. In blaz - ing light Your cross re - veals The truth we dim - ly knew:
4. Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls And bid re - sent - ment cease.

But You a - lone can grant us grace To live the words we say.
That broods on wrongs and will not let Old bit - ter - ness de - part?
What triv - ial debts are owed to us, How great our debt to You!
Then, bound to all in bonds of love, Our lives will spread Your peace.

Chord progressions for the first system: Dm, Gm, Dm, F, Am, Dm. Chord progressions for the second system: Bb, Am, F, Gm, Am, Dm.

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