9:00 A.M. and 11 A.M. Worship

"Grace Space" is available at the front of the sanctuary. This area is for young children and their caregivers to engage in worship, while also being able to move around, see better, and play with soft toys and quiet activities. Our nursery staff welcomes babies and young children as another child care option.

GATHERING MUSIC

9 A.M. Diane Brown, 11 A.M. Janet Carson

"Beautiful Savior" PRELUDE

Arr. David Winkler Church Orchestra

The prelude marks the beginning of worship. We take our seats; we guiet ourselves; the candles symbolize the presence of Christ who comforts, inspires, and guides us.

(9 A.M) BELL INTROIT

"God is So Good/Jesus Loves Me" Random Ringers

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: A great teacher said, "When Jesus Christ calls us,

he bids us to follow him and lose our lives."

We are a people who have responded to this call.

Left Side: Through Christ,

we want to lose the fears that keep us from loving.

Right Side: Through Christ,

we want to lose the stubbornness that keeps us from sharing our gifts.

Left Side: Through Christ,

we want to lose seeking our own success and salvation

in disregard for the good of all God's people.

Right Side: This is God's promise:

that if we lose ourselves with Christ,

we will also rise with Christ.

We praise God for the glorious promise All:

of new life in Christ. Alleluia!

*HYMN "Lift High the Cross" **UMH 159**

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

(9 A.M.) Middle School Youth to XP3; Pre-K – 5th to BLAST (11 A.M.) Children to Disciple Discovery - Pre-K through Grade 5

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

(9 A.M. Tom Davis, 11 A.M. Pete Haber)

Please write your joys and concerns in the prayer book as you enter for worship; they will be read before we join in prayer.

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Based on Jeremiah 31:31-34 and Psalm 51

"Kyrie"



Great God of the universe.

we thank you for your loving kindness and your unending presence. You lift our spirits.

We praise you for the faithful -

young and old throughout the generations -

who remind us of your goodness.

We praise you for Jesus,

who gives us life and draws us into your love.

Deliver us from all that keeps us from singing your song,

cleanse us from our sin.

Take away our bitterness toward others,

our fear and insecurity,

our failure to speak out on behalf of those pushed to the margins, our despair - when our acts seem so small compared to the world's great need.

"Kyrie"

Put your law within us and write it in our hearts.

Take away our pathetic insitence

that we did not understand what we were doing.

Create in us a clean heart, O God,

and put a new and right spirit within us.

Help us listen carefully to You;

turn bitterness into understanding:

replace our fear with assurance that you know our needs; give us humble hearts,

so that we may hear the cries of our neighbors:

and give us soothing voices to speak words of comfort.

Help us bear the fruit of new life, that you may be glorified, and that all people will come to know your ways of love and life.

"Kyrie"

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 12:20-33

SERMON

"Lift Up"

SERVING AND GIVING WITH GRATITUDE

Please sign the welcome pad & pass along to others in your row

Announcements

Presenting God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

9 A.M. "Lift High the Cross!"

Mark Loring, Piano

11 A.M. "Lift-a Me Up" Grier/Bryant

John Carter

CFUMC Choir

*HYMN "Amazing Grace" (stanzas 1-4)

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*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Ode to Joy"

Beethoven/Sidney Carlin Church Orchestra

The Postlude music prepares us to transition from worship to life and service in the world. You are welcome to stay or to exit during the Postlude.

Many thanks to all the orchestra participants and to Max Plank for leading us in worship today.

Assisting in 9:00 a.m. Worship

Greeters: Arlene Wiltse, Barbara Brown
Ushers: Boyd Wiltse – Captain, Arlene Wiltse, Harry Gibson
Nursery: Amy Whitesall

Assisting in 11:00 a.m. Worship

Greeters: John & Ellen Aldighieri
Ushers: Edie Wiarda, Gerry Boettger, Bob Christie
Nursery: Lori Campbell

Holy Week Schedule

March 25th – Palm Sunday Worship 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

March 29th – Maundy Thursday Worship at 7 p.m.

March 30th – Good Friday Worship is at the First Congregational Church at 12:15 p.m.

Prayer Vigil at Chelsea FUMC 1 p.m. Friday – 9 a.m. Saturday

April 1st Easter Sunday Worship 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Email lists

Would you like to be on the All Congregation email list for announcements during the week or the Bi-Monthly Path Finder? Send an email to lgray@chelseaumc.org, or call the church office 475-8119 to sign up.

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The old Gospel song says
"when nothing else could help, love lifted me!"
To be lifted up is to be drawn into the love of God.
Jesus drew all kinds of people into the love of God.
What uplifting message do we pass on to others?

March 18, 2018
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Please contact an usher for hearing devices,
large print bulletin and hymnal