

LOWER MARSH CREEK

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HONORING THE PAST

Faithful in the Present

Praying for the Future

Lower Marsh Creek Presbyterian Church  
January 29, 2023

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Mark

Announcements

Lane

Preparation for Worship: “Blest Are They” lyrics on page 666

🎵 Although the music for this song is written by a contemporary composer, the lyrics are based on our Affirmation of Faith for today, Matthew 5: 3--10. 🎵

Call to Worship

What does the Lord require of us?

**To act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with our God.**

Let us worship our God, and learn how to live.

Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #113

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, too little have we done what is blameless and right. Seldom have we spoken truth with a heart of love. We close our ears; we do not hear your Word. And yet you continue to call us through Christ our Lord. Please forgive us by the power of the cross of Christ. Strengthen us to stand in the goodness and grace of Christ. Inspire us to walk in the light of Christ. . .**

*(A time of silent prayer will be kept).*

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri #734

Responsive Reading: Psalm 15

Lord, who may dwell in your sacred tent?

Who may live on your holy mountain?

**The one whose walk is blameless,  
who does what is righteous,  
who speaks the truth from their heart;**

whose tongue utters no slander,  
who does no wrong to a neighbor,  
and casts no slur on others;

**who despises a vile person  
but honors those who fear the Lord;  
who keeps an oath even when it hurts,  
and does not change their mind;**

who lends money to the poor without interest;  
who does not accept a bribe against the innocent.  
Whoever does these things  
will never be shaken.

## Our Family Time

Joys, Concerns and our Prayers

Musical Offering: "Beautiful Savior"

Teresa Sanders, soloist

 Congregation, please join Teresa on verse four:

 4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all nations! Son of God and Son of man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forever more be  
thine! 

Scripture Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Moment of History: "Truth and Goodness"

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon: "Beatitudes: Beautiful Attitude."

\*Affirmation of Faith: Matthew 5: 3 – 10

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.  
Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.  
Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Amen!

Offering - *Your continuing, generous support of our Church is greatly appreciated. Please use the Offering plate at the back of the sanctuary for your gifts, or please mail your offering and tithes to the Church office.*

**\*Doxology**

\*Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**\*Hymn #457**

**“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”**

\*Benediction: Matthew 5: 14-16

\*Closing Song: 8:30 “Sanctuary” (*see screen*)

11:00 “Closing Prayer” (*see screen*)

Postlude: “Thine is the Glory”

🎵 George Frederic Handel (1685-1759) wrote hymns as well as “Water Music” 🎵

(*\*Please stand as you are able*)

Leading Worship:

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Linda Clark, Organist/Music Coordinator

Lane Speck, Duty Elder

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