Ridgeview Mennonite Church 3723 Ridge Road, Gordonville, PA 17529 717 768-3143 March 14, 2021

Called by God to learn and share together God's love with all creation.

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 AM

Lent 4

Deep in the wilderness: Called to deep healing

The wilderness confronts us with our vulnerability and exposes our wounds and our needs. We are called to deep healing by trusting in God, who calls us in love.

Gathering Song Welcome & Announcements Lighting of the Peace Candle

Call to Worship

- L: The wilderness is without and within. It too is part of God's path, though we fear the wild, barren places, as did the people of old.
- P: When the people become impatient, asking, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness?" God answered by bringing healing.
- L: In our barren places, God calls us to wholeness, even when we cannot see beyond danger, isolation and need.
- P: We forget that God is already at work in these difficult, painful places.
- L: Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Chosen One be lifted up, that whoever believes may have eternal life.
- P: For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

All: We call out to you, as you call us to deeper healing.

Scripture: Numbers 21:4-9

Message: Deep in the Wilderness Pastor Robert

Prayer of Confession and Assurance

- L1: Deep calls to deep. We call to you from the depths of our hearts.
- L2: We confess how the wilderness has revealed our need, uncovering our impatience, lifting up our pain. We confess how the wilderness has revealed your truth. We are created for good works. We can turn and live. (silence)
- L1: Deep calls to deep. You call to us from the depth of your love.
- P: Calling us to deep healing. We come to you God.

Words of Blessing Worship in Song (YouTube playlist) Sending

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed 9:00 a.m. Food Pac Mar 17 8:00 p.m. Congregational meeting (zoom) Sun, Mar 28 Fellowship meal Fri, Apr 2 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service (virtual)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MENNONITE SCHOOLS provide a matching scholarship for congregational grants with a minimum grant of \$500 from the congregation. To give \$500 grants for the upcoming school year we need \$2,500 in the Mennonite Education fund. Currently there is \$750 in the fund. Gifts are welcome.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, Wednesday, March 17, 8:00 p.m. via zoom. Pray for wisdom, grace and guidance for God's Spirit in and among us as we gather to discuss the foyer renovations and other items. Let us know if you wish to participate, but do not have access to zoom.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE, Friday, April 2, 7:00 p.m. via zoom. Let us know if you wish to participate but do not have access to zoom.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL Sunday, March 28...dine-in or take-out available. To help with the amount of food to prepare, please RSVP. http://ridgeviewspringmeal.rsvpify.com or contact Melissa Siegrist (717)286-7053. Menu: ham loaf, baked macaroni & cheese, peas, stewed tomatoes, coleslaw, fruit salad, dinner roll, cake.

CROSSNET MINISTRIES...virtual banquet, Tuesday, March 30, \$30/person. Banquet food will be available to pick up at Shady Maple Banquet Center in a drive thru from 5:00-6:00 p.m. The Live Stream will start at 7:00 p.m. Speaker—Scott Hamilton. RSVP by March 22, www.elancocross.org.

OFFERING March 7 \$5,150 Education \$100

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