



PAXTON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



YOUTH SUNDAY
March 8, 2026

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Soloist, Lydia

Soloist, Nino

"Variations on "Azmon""

"The Wild Colt"

"I've Got Peace Like a River"

-M. Helman

-Faber

-Traditional

WORSHIP PREPARATION

**In preparing for our worship together please quiet yourself
and allow God's Spirit to ready your heart, mind, and soul.**

During this time, we invite you to sign the **guest book**, pass it down your row and back again and note friends and guests worshipping next to you. Please also complete a **prayer request card** at this time if you have a joy or concern for which you would like special prayers during the service. The ushers will collect them during the first hymn.

GREETINGS AND NEWS OF OUR COMMON LIFE

Praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised!

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Soloist, Madeleine

"Ode to Joy"

-Beethoven

THE WORD GATHERS US

CALL TO WORSHIP

-Audrey

If you need good news,

Settle into this space. We have good news to share.

If you need a word of hope,

Then trust us when we say, there is hope enough to go around.

If you need a glimmer of joy,

Then you're in luck! We have resilient joy abounding.

If you need to feel God's presence in your midst,

Then know that this is God's house. This is the good news of the gospel.

God is here. Love is real. Joy is on the move.

Let us worship God!

AGAPE SINGERS

"My Faith's Got Shoes"

-See Insert for Congregation part.

* PRAYER OF PRAISE

-Chok

God of our hopes and dreams, we are empty, and long to be filled; we are hungry, and long to be fed; we are lost, and long to be found. Gather us into your love, and pick up the pieces of our lives, just as Jesus gathered up the fragments of the five loaves and two fish that remained after feeding the five thousand. Call us anew to eat our fill and to find our true nourishment in Jesus, the bread of heaven. Amen.

* GOD'S PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

-Wes

* OUR RECOGNITION OF BROKENNESS

-Lucy

Holy God, with you the impossible is possible. 5,000 can be fed. The blind can see. The hopeless can find hope. With you the impossible is possible, but we are quick to forget that. We look at our hurting world and tell ourselves that nothing can be done. We forget that you empowered the disciples to feed the crowd. We forget that you are always with us. Forgive our small-minded ways. Forgive us for doubting that change could ever come. But even more so, forgive us when we refuse to be a part of it. With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, amen.

- * GOD'S ASSURANCE OF RECONCILIATION -Lydia
- * OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE – No. 581
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
 World without end. Amen. Amen.*
- * PASSING THE PEACE -Thon
 The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. ***And also with you.***

THE WORD PROCLAIMS TO US

- MESSAGE FOR YOUNG AT HEART ADULTS -Madeleine
- SKIT "Lunch Box Faith"
- PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION -Foster
- FIRST READING FROM THE GOSPELS John 6:35-38 -Foster
- READING FROM THE LETTERS Ephesians 3:20-21 -Nino
- SPECIAL MUSIC
- Soloist, Deborah* "Mazurka in F Major, Op. 68" -Chopin
- SECOND READING FROM THE GOSPELS Mark 6:32-44 -Mary
- MESSAGES -Deborah, Kylie, Addi
- HYMN – 509 "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

THE WORD INVITES US

- OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES
- Invitation for the Offering -Owen
- * Response of Praise – Calypso Doxology see page 4
- * Prayer of Dedication -Violet
- OFFERTORY
- Duet, Foster and Jeanne* "Simple Gifts" -arr. Faber
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER -Damien

THE WORD SENDS US

- * HYMN – 462 "I Love to Tell the Story"
- * INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
- * SENDING FORTH AND BLESSING -Kylie, Addi
- * POSTLUDE "Let All Who Have Breath Praise the Lord!" -D. Wagner

The () indicates that those who are able may stand.
 The words printed in ***bold face italics type*** are said by all.
 Worship liturgy is adapted from prayers by Sarah Are Speed
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Directing our worship today: Paxton Presbyterian Youth and Children;
 Director of Youth Music, Andrew Vinton; Organist, Jeanne Bruce; Ushers, Nino, Owen, Josiah,
 Wes; Greeters, Audrey, Foster, Lydia, Mary, Chok

Calypso Doxology



The musical score for 'Calypso Doxology' is written on five staves in 4/4 time. The melody is in treble clef. Chords are indicated by letters (C, F, G7) above the staff. The lyrics are written below the staff.

C C F C G7 C

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all you people, let Him know

C F C G7 C G7 C

Praise Him above, let the heavens sing. Praise the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost

C C F G7 C C F

Well, A - men A - men A - men Oh, A - Men. Yes A - Men A - men

C G7 C G7 C

Praise the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

PRAYER SQUARE

Please keep the following church members and friends in your prayers.

Members

Rick Bazdar, Jim Brillinger, the Brillinger Family, Brenda and Ron Brinkley, Family of Bruce Cavanaugh, Fran Gilchrist, Shirley Grunden, Nancy Hutchison, Jo Jacoby, Family of Jim Knight, Penny Knight, Nedra Maxwell, Joanne Miller, Gary Myers' family, Donna Powers, Elsie Williams, Dave Wion, Kathie Zimmerman

Friends

Dave Altland, Atkins Family, Benitez Family, Betty Conte, Dr. and Mrs. Kent Groff, Mary Langley, Betty Palaski, Carol Poteet

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer Square
please contact Janice at 717-418-1526 or momjakh@aol.com

NEWS OF OUR COMMON LIFE

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jane's siblings, Michael and Clifford Leahy and Linda Leedy by Jane and Bill Sanford.

LENTEN MEALS AND DEVOTIONAL SERIES Join us in the Fellowship Hall at Paxton Presbyterian Church at 6:00PM on Wednesday evenings March 11, 18 and 25 for our Lenten series. We'll share a meal and have a roundtable discussion using the Sanctified Art series, "Tell Me Something Good". Please let the office know if you would like a printed copy of the devotional booklet. You can scan the QR code for the digital version.



AS THE GOOD NEWS SAYS, EVERYONE IS FED.... Join us after worship today for lunch from the Food Truck, A Cheese Affair! You can order your food to go or please consider bringing it to fellowship hall to continue conversations about our collective good. We promise the Cheese Affair has food for all. Check out their menu on the bulletin board outside the office.

COMMUNITY MEAL The next Community Meal will be March 11 at 5pm. The Lenten Devotional will take place after dinner.

BODY OF CHRIST STICKS TOGETHER Check out the bulletin board across from the office to join in the fun!

EASTER FLOWER ORDERS Lilies, tulips and hyacinths will be used again this year for the Easter flower tree in the chancel and to decorate the sanctuary. Anyone wishing to purchase a plant may do so by completing a form and returning it to the church office or placing it in the offering plate. Additional forms can be found outside the office. Each plant is \$10.00 with checks payable to Paxton Presbyterian Church accompanying each order. Please complete one order form for each plant purchased to simplify the printing of the dedication. The deadline to place an order is Sunday, March 22.

CALLING ON ALL EASTER BUNNY ASSISTANTS It's time to fill Easter eggs for Paxton's annual easter egg hunt! A plastic bin of empty eggs can be found in Coffee Central. Fill up a bag to take home and stuff with candies, stickers, erasers, and little prizes. Please no peanut products. Return filled eggs to Michelle's office by March 22. Thank you.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER April 12 11:30-1:30 | Mission Committee's food packing event is fast approaching. The cost for 10,000 meals is \$4,100. Watch for opportunities to financially support this worthwhile cause. The volunteer sign-up poster is available in the Gathering Room. We need about 70 people to make this a success. Don't hesitate to contact Dawn Palmer with any questions.

CHOCOLATE EGGS are available for purchase outside of the library until sold out. We still have all flavors available, but raspberry are limited. Eggs and \$1.75 each. All proceeds benefit our Rise Against Hunger event.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND NURSERY There will be no Children's Church or Nursery on Youth today. Children are welcome to stay and take part in the service. We love a joyful noise!

SCAN HERE
TO GIVE
VIRTUALLY



COMMUNITY CLOTHING DRIVE Please drop off all clothing by noon on March 23rd. All men's, women's, and children's clothes for winter and early spring are needed including pants, shirts, jackets, coats, shoes, underwear, socks, and dresses. Additionally, sheets, towels, and washcloths can be used. Please drop off the clothing at Norm Daniels' house (500 Bonnymead Avenue, Harrisburg, 17111). Questions? Call or text Norm at 717-712-7494.

IN SYMPATHY The congregation extends its condolences on the death of long-time member Jim Knight on March 3, 2026, to his family and his friends. Please hold them in your prayers. Services are pending. Even as we share our grief, we receive comfort in the sure and certain hope of eternal life through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

EASTER EGG HUNT Paxton children and community neighbors are invited to our annual Easter egg hunt at 9:15am on Palm Sunday, March 29. Please bring a basket to collect all your eggs! Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. A light breakfast and easter crafts provided after the hunt.

PALM SATURDAY WORKSHOP

Families are encouraged to join us as we share the Easter Faith with our children on Saturday, March 29th from 9:30-11:30am

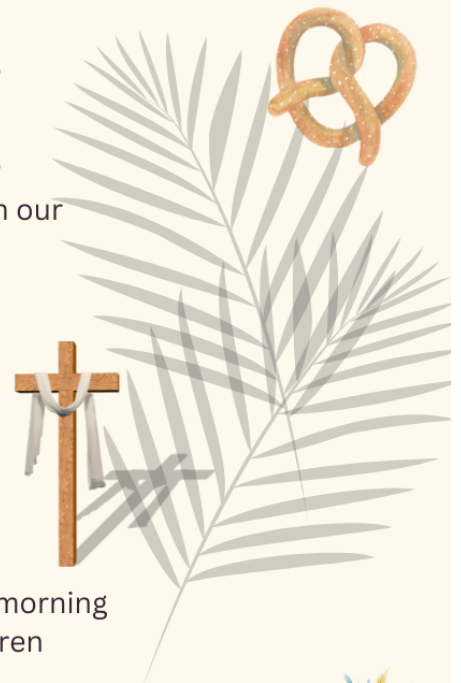
Experience the last week of Jesus' earthly life
for and through the eyes of children.

March in a Palm Sunday parade
Make braided pretzels for Maundy Thursday
Make a cross for Good Friday
Prepare for Easter with an egg craft
Make a colorful bracelet to wear on Easter

Designed to nurture children with the special days of Holy Week, this morning will also assist adults in discovering words and ways to help children participate and worship during this sacred time.

BREAKFAST SNACKS PROVIDED

ALL AGES ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. BRING A FRIEND



March 8 - 15

Sunday, March 8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS JUMP AHEAD AN HOUR	9:00 AM	Sunday School	Agape Park
	10:30 AM	Youth Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
	11:30 AM	Food Truck Lunch	Parking Lot
	1:00 PM	Nepali Speaking Community Church	Great Room
Monday, March 9	9:00 AM	PPNS Classes	PPNS
	12:30 PM	Mission Ministry	Library
	6:00 PM	Voices of the Valley	Great Room
Tuesday, March 10	9:00 AM	PPNS Classes	PPNS
	9:30 AM	PW Board Meeting	Room 101
	10:30 AM	Stephen Ministry	Room 202
	11:45 AM	Staff Meeting	Room 202
	6:30 PM	Cub Scouts	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	Budget and Finance Ministry	Room 101
Wednesday, March 11	9:00 AM	PPNS Classes	PPNS
	9:30 AM	Sewing Circle	Fellowship Hall
	5:00 PM	Community Dinner	Fellowship Hall
Thursday, March 12	9:00 AM	PPNS Classes	PPNS
	6:00 PM	Lions Club	Fellowship Hall
	6:15 PM	Bell Choir	Sanctuary
	7:30 PM	Adult Choir	Choir Room
Friday, March 13	9:00 AM	PPNS Classes	PPNS
	6:00 PM	Nepali Youth Group	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, March 15	9:00 AM	Sunday School	Agape Park
	10:30 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
	1:00 PM	Nepali Speaking Community Church	Great Room

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The office is open to the public

9:00am – 1:00pm, Monday through Friday

If you need to visit the office or building at another time, please call the office.

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For a confidential referral please contact a Stephen Leader.

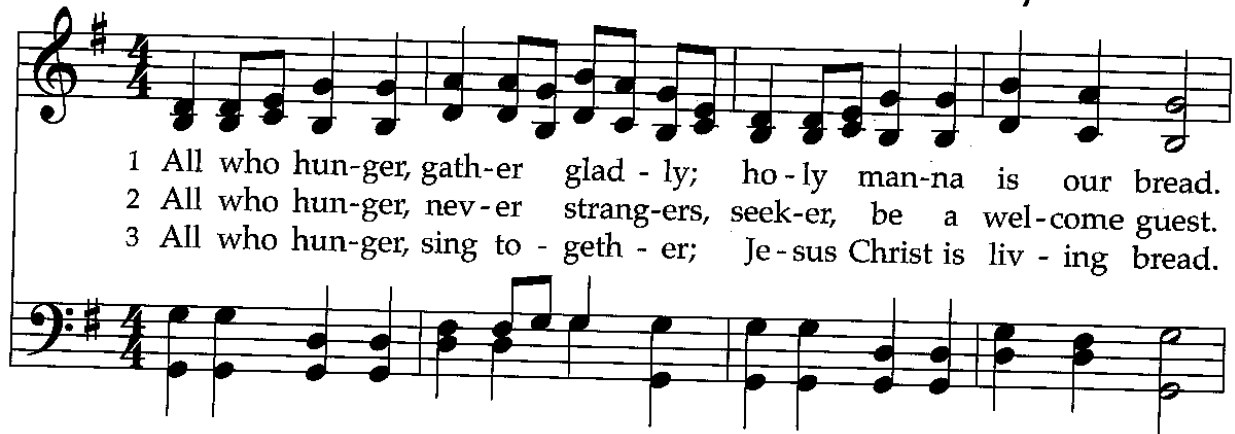
Session *Chair

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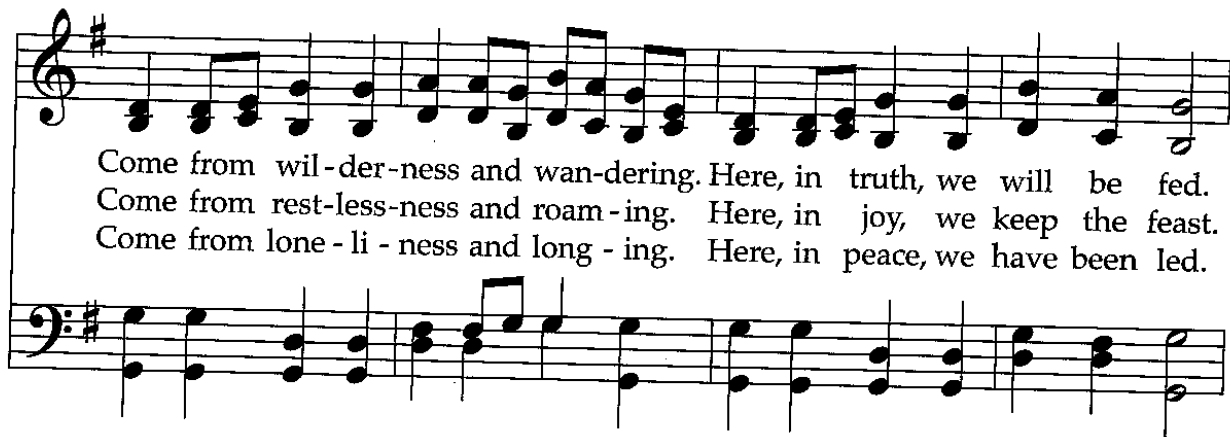
At Paxton Presbyterian Church, we believe that every person is a beloved child of God, made in God's image and worthy of love, dignity, and belonging. Rooted in the grace of Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to be a welcoming and affirming community for all people - no matter their race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, socioeconomic status, mental or physical ability, or religious background.



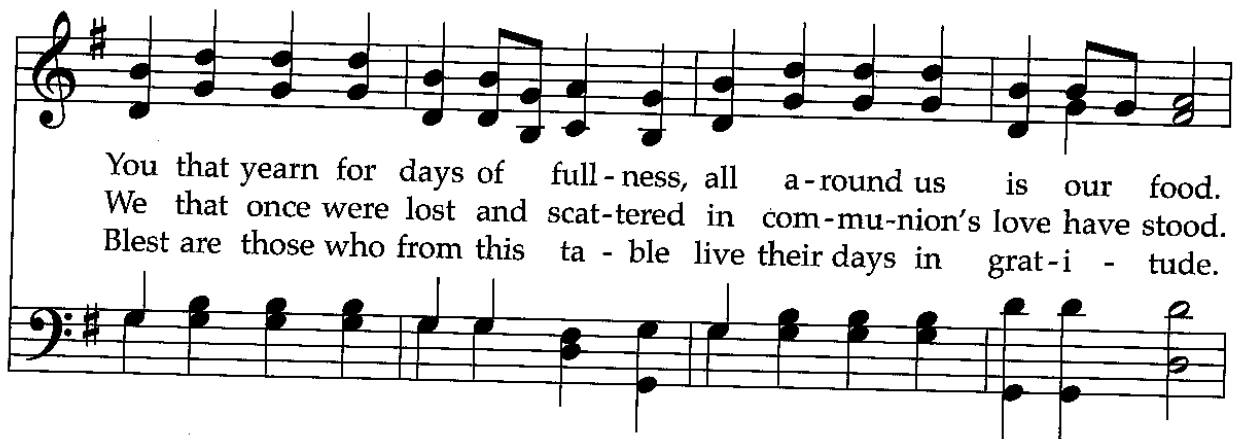
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

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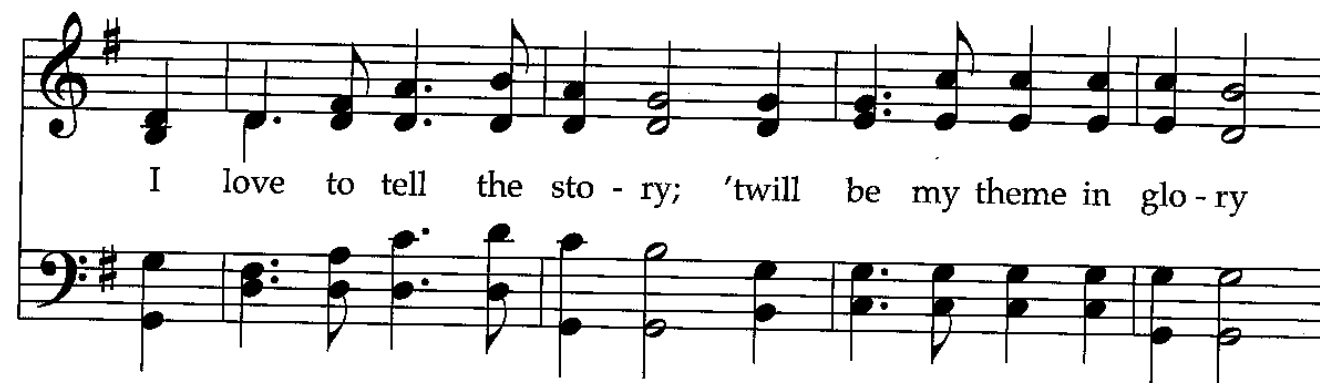
I Love to Tell the Story

1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best

of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it, like the rest.

I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know 'tis true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else could do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.
 'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

The first line of the refrain is written on two staves. The treble staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff begins with a bass clef and the same key signature. It provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes.



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

The second line of the refrain continues on two staves. The treble staff ends with a double bar line. The bass staff continues the accompaniment. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.