

MARCH 17, 2024

“BECAUSE YOUR STEADFAST LOVE IS BETTER THAN LIFE, MY LIPS WILL PRAISE YOU.” PS. 63:3

The Prelude *Variations on A Mighty Fortress* arr. J. Behnke

The Call to Worship Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

The Hymn of Praise No. 498 *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*  
Omit stanza 4

The Invocation Rev. Cangelosi

The Confession of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism #26

Pastor: What do you believe when you say: “I believe in God the Father, almighty, maker of heaven and earth”?

*Pastor and People: That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them,*

*Who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ his Son.*

*I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world.*

*He is able to do this because he is almighty God; he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.*

The Song *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

O love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee. I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer fuller be.

O light that foll'west all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee. My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter fairer be.

O joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee. I trace the rainbow through the rain and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

O cross that lifteth up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee. I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

Words by George Matheson, music by Christopher Miner ©1997 Christopher Miner Music CCLI 600485

The Scripture Reading **Ephesians 1:3-14**  
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The Offering

*It Is Not Death to Die*  
Margaret Sprow, soloist

It is not death to die, to leave this weary road, and join the saints who dwell on high, who've found their home with God. It is not death to close the eyes long dimmed by tears, and wake in joy before Your throne, delivered from our fears.

*O Jesus, conquering the grave. Your precious blood has pow'r to save. Those who trust in You will in Your mercy find that it is not death to die.*

It is not death to fling aside this earthly dust, and rise with strong and noble wing, to live among the just. It is not death to hear the key unlock the door that sets us free from mortal years to praise You ever more.

Henri Malan, 1864, Bob Kauflin © Sovereign Grace Music

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Thomas Ken, 1709, Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter, 1551

*Children ages 2-4 may come forward for the Children's Message. Afterward, those in the 2-3-year-old classes are dismissed to Church Time in the Nursery.*

The Children's Message Rev. Cangelosi

The Psalm No. 662 *As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams (Psalm 42)*

The Intercessory Prayer Ruling Elder Bob Austin

The Scripture Reading **Philippians 1:21**  
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The Sermon Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

*Is this the Purest expression of the Christian life ever Spoken?*

The Hymn of Response No. 706 *Jesus Lives and So Shall I*

The Benediction Rev. Kalberkamp

The Postlude Festive Postlude arr. D. Lasky

**EVENING WORSHIP**  
**6:00 P. M.**

We will worship our glorious God tonight as we sing, pray, and receive the word preached by Dr. John Kwasny. We are working through the book of Amos and the Westminster Larger Catechism on Sunday evenings. Tonight we are on Amos 7 and WLC #167.

*Just Say...(Yes and) No*  
**James 5:12**

**MARTIN LUTHER'S PRAYER**  
**FOR HIS PASTORAL CALLING**

*O Lord God, Thou hast made me a pastor and teacher in the Church. Thou seest how unfit I am to administer rightly this great and responsible Office, and had I been without Thy aid and counsel I would surely have ruined it all long ago. Therefore do I invoke Thee.*

*How gladly do I desire to yield and consecrate my heart and mouth to this ministry! I desire to teach the congregation. I too, desire ever to learn and to keep Thy Word my constant companion and to meditate there upon earnestly.*

*Use me as Thy instrument in Thy service. Only do not Thou forsake me, for if I am left to myself, I will certainly bring it all to destruction. Amen*

**WELCOME VISITORS!**

**Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ. We pray the Word of God and the people of God will be an encouragement to you today.**


- Scan the QR code to fill out our online information form.
- Visit our website to learn more about us: [pearorchard.org](http://pearorchard.org).
- Make use of our Nursery for your children under 2. Our cry room, located in the Parlor south of the Sanctuary, is also available.
- Attend one of our Sunday School classes, 10:00-10:45 a.m. every Sunday morning. See the monitors for locations.
- We have a thriving disability ministry (Sonbeams) that is here to serve all individuals and families touched by disability.



**NEWS IN BRIEF**

- **Congratulations to Quinn and Laura Crawford** on the birth of their daughter, Lois Faye Crawford. Lois was born on Tuesday, March 12, 2024.
- **We extend our deepest sympathies to Lee and Wendy Herring** in the death of Lee's mother, Mrs. Jeanne Herring, on Monday, March 11, 2024. Please be in prayer for the Herring family as they grieve the loss of their loved one.
- **Wednesday Night Ministries:** A registration form will need to be filled out online for dinner and/or nursery no later than the Monday before each Wednesday. Children's Catechism, Youth Group, Women's and Men's Bible Studies, Sonbeams, and Sanctuary Choir will meet.
- **Help Needed:** If you delight in the details and love technology, you are the kind of person we are looking for to serve in our Sound Team Ministry. No prior experience is necessary! We'll provide the training, and we have a lot of fun, too. Please contact [hgraylin@pearorchard.org](mailto:hgraylin@pearorchard.org).



- **Lydia Circle:** Please join us for Lunch Bunch at Anjou Restaurant in Ridgeland, Tuesday Mar. 19, at 11:30 am. If you plan to attend, please let Mary Lou know so reservations can be made, 601-506-1432.
- **Spring Women's Retreat:** Spiritual Gifts and Graces Workshop, March 22-23 in the Gym. Cost: \$25. Deadline to register: Tuesday, March 19. Come enjoy two delicious meals, lots of great fellowship, worship through singing and time together in God's Word. To register, scan the QR code or visit our website: [pearorchard.org](http://pearorchard.org). For questions, contact Tammie Haynes at [thaynes@pearorchard.org](mailto:thaynes@pearorchard.org). 
- **Please join us Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>,** at 7:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Building for a retirement dessert celebration honoring Carl and Jeanie Kalberkamp for their 30 years of faithful service!
- **Save the date!** VBS is July 15-19, 2024. Join us this summer as the Scottish sleuths try to solve another case, The Case of the Disciple's Distinctives. We want you there to help as we investigate God's Word together and see how we too, can be a disciple of Jesus. Wanna volunteer? Text or email Kristi Clark at 601-594-9832, [kwclark.24@gmail.com](mailto:kwclark.24@gmail.com).

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- Every Friday you can read our weekly email update, delivered straight to your inbox.
  - Email Liz at [ltaylor@pearorchard.org](mailto:ltaylor@pearorchard.org) if you do not receive it.
- Ask for prayer: [pray@pearorchard.org](mailto:pray@pearorchard.org)
- Learn more about Christ Covenant School, POPC's Pre-School through High School, at [ccs.ms](http://ccs.ms).

### MISSIONS COMMITMENT UPDATE

Thank you to the 60 families who have so far committed to give \$111,320 which exceeds our minimum Direct member giving goal of \$104,290. In 2023 we gave \$183,635 in Direct Member Giving, thus that's our next goal for 2024. Please keep praying about how God would use the rest of us to plant the seeds of His love and grace. Will you be one of God's senders?

### UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

- 3.19 Lunch Bunch – 11:30 a.m. – Anjou Restaurant, Ridgeland
- 3.22 Women's Retreat – 6:00-8:30 p.m. – Gym
- 3.23 Women's Retreat – 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Gym
- 3.24 Kalberkamp Retirement Celebration – 7:00 p.m. – Gym
- 3.29 Good Friday Service – 6:30 p.m. – Sanctuary
- 3.31 Easter Sunday

### MINISTERS: THE PEOPLE OF GOD

REV. CALEB G. CANGELOSI ~ SENIOR PASTOR

REV. CARL H. KALBERKAMP, JR. ~ ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE

REV. DEAN WILLIAMS ~ ASSOCIATE PASTOR OF MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

### SESSION

Adam Adcock	Mike Atkinson	Bob Austin	Neil Barnes
James Clark	Bill Hatcliff	Ken Haynes	Mark Henry
Brad Ingram	John Kwasny	Eddie Moran	Steve Morris
John Neiswinger	John Perritt	Andy Rowan	Newell Simrall
Craig Stockmeier	Jonathan Werne	John Williams	Tom Young

*On sabbatical: Phil Ethridge, Rod Russ, Ben Sones, Rob Waltzer*

### DIACONATE

Mark Brown	Michael Bryant	Bobby Bullock	Clinton Carraway
Tony Franklin	Jeff Gamblin	Rick Goodwin	Rob Hembree
David Howie	Michael Johnson	Garrett McMullin	Jared Moffett
Jamie Murphy	Drew Norwood	Matt Norwood	Stephen Shelt
Greg Sprow	Steve Tackitt	Madison Taylor	Glen Ulrich
Charlie Upton	Matt Walker	John Wiggins	Jack Wilson
Seth Winchester			

*On sabbatical: Tim Barnes, Allan Edgar, Parker Reece, Austin Stewart*