

March 16th, 2014
Second Sunday of Lent

RESTORED IN CHRIST

BROKEN TRUST



The Federated Church of Paxton
6:30 p.m. Worship Service



Restored in Christ - Broken Trust

* Opening Hymn

"Trust and Obey"

When we walk with the Lord
in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

(Refrain) Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey. (Refrain)

But we never can prove
the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows,
for the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey. (Refrain)

* Opening Litany *(responsively)*

One: God's name is more than a label. It is an expression of his nature and being. There is no disjunction between what God does, what God reveals and who God is.

All: Our Lord shows us perfectly the meaning of integrity.

One: God is utterly consistent. He does not shift or change or drift in his dealings with his creation. He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

All: Our Lord teaches us what it means to be faithful.

One: We can always count on God. Regardless the difficulty or self-sacrifice required, what God promises, he always does.

All: Our Lord proves to us what it is to be dependable.

One: God is completely in control. He is omnipotent—all the power in the universe is from him and under his authority. He is able to do all that he wills to do.

All: Our Lord's supreme sovereignty means that nothing can stop him from accomplishing his plan. He is trustworthy.

Confession and Absolution

One: God is God, and we are simply creatures. All that God is and does is infinitely more than we can be or do. Even as human creatures, we

*All who are able, PLEASE STAND

fail and we fall short. We are not able to accomplish what God calls us to do as his people.

All: We don't live lives of steady integrity—too often there is an enormous gap between what we say and what we do. We don't live in our relationships faithfully—we wear out, we lose interest and we decline with the passage of time. We are not dependable—we get distracted, we get tired, we forget our promises. We are not trustworthy—we are weak and frail creatures, and we cannot do all that we hope or intend. We need God's forgiveness and grace.

One: God knows your reality. God knows your limitations. God knows your weakness and your failure. God knows your sin. But God is trustworthy. He does what he promises—every time. When you confess, he forgives. So, you are forgiven; you are made new again. Amen.

1st Reading 2 Samuel 12:1-13

2nd Reading Colossians 3:12-17

Anthem

Gospel Reading Matthew 26:14-25

Youth Moment

Sermon

Offering

Prayers (*Each petition ends with the following response:*)

One: Christ who heals all brokenness,

All: Restore all broken trust.

***Closing Hymn** *"Jesu, Meines Lebens Leben "*

Christ, the life of all the living,
Christ, the death of death, our foe,
Who, thyself for me once giving
To the darkest depths of woe:
Through thy suff'rings, death and merit
I eternal life inherit.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto thee.

Heartless scoffers did surround thee,
Treating thee with shameful scorn
And with piercing thorns they crowned thee.
All disgrace thou, Lord, hast borne,
That as thine thou mightest own me
And with heav'nly glory crown me.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,
Dearest Jesus, unto thee.

***Benediction**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, March 16th

Worship, 10:00am

Monday, March 17th

Church Council Meeting, 6:30pm

Wednesday, March 19th

Church Office Hours, 1:00-6:00pm

Lenten Meal, 6:00pm

Lenten Devotion, 6:30pm

Choir Practice, 7:00pm

Thursday, March 20th

Church Office Hours, 8:00am-Noon

Prayer Shawl Gathering at Priscilla

Andreae's Home, 6:30pm

Sunday, March 27th

Adult Sunday School, 8:45am

Confirmation, 9:00am

Youth Sunday School, 9:30am

Worship, 10:00am

ASTA Service, 1:30pm (Elder, Jim)

Youth Group, 5:00pm

March

Birthdays & Anniversaries

4th - Delores Turner

6th - Shannon Satterlee

10th - Alex Goudy

12th - Mike Goudy

13th - Alan Turner

18th - Jim & Robin Niewold Ann.

23rd - Greg Anderson

26th - Susan Satterlee

27th - Victor Johnson



**Loda United Methodist Church
offers**

"The Royal Heirs"

**Southern Gospel music
for all ages**

Saturday, March 22nd at 7pm

***Lord, We ask thanksgiving, comfort, healing
and faith for these friends and family members***

Kitty Anderson, Robin Niewold, Jeff & Barb Legener

Continued Health of Cancer Treatment Patients

Janet Goudy, Alan Turner, Ivan Andreae

Homebound or in Nursing Homes

Sue Moore, Donald Rhodes, Jani Fraim, Marcella Woodworth

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For the month of March, please bring *peanut butter, canned soup  
& canned vegetables* for the Food Pantry.

*As always, all non-perishable food items are welcomed.*

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