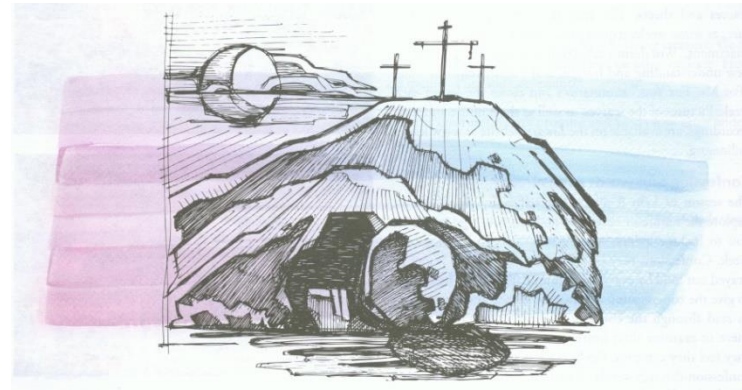


## Prayers and Praises

**Mennonite Mission Network** Pastors and their wives who minister in Ukraine's militarized zone look forward to a retreat this month. Mary Raber of Mennonite Mission Network, serving as a resource person, requests prayer for a restful gathering for those who have given their all to congregations for several stress-filled years.

**VMMissions:** Lezha Academic Center in Albania has received national recognition by the government for its block scheduling, meaning that it is in a strategic place to impact Albania. Pray for wisdom as new opportunities open in the months ahead.

**Pray for the local services for people in need:** Love Inc., Shelter for Help in Emergency, Food Bank, Salvation Army, IMPACT – a justice ministry and PACEM- the initiative for the homeless.



### Lent 3: The courage to covenant March 4, 2018

#### Gathering in God's presence

Pre-service music

Call to Worship

one Come, all who are finding our way to God.  
Come, to know God and to be known by God.

**all We are here to worship the Lord.**

one Come, whether we speak with wisdom or not.  
Come, for we are all made in the image of God.

**all We are here to worship the Lord.**

one Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name,  
I am there."

**all We join our hearts in worship.**

Opening Prayer

Hymns	How firm a foundation	HWB 567
	What wondrous love is this	HWB 530

#### Noticing God's presence

Children's story

Confession

Hymn	Far, far away	HWB 139
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Scripture	Exodus 20:1-17; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22
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Sermon

Communion

Hymn	Slowly turning, ever turning	STJ 23
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## Responding to God's presence

Sharing of joys and concerns / visitor introductions

Pastoral Prayer

Offering      Praise God      HWB 119

Hymn          Lead me Lord      HWB 538

Benediction

## Today

**Sermon: Roy Hange**

## This Week

Today	Communion	
Tues	Men's breakfast at Bodo's on Preston	7:00 am
Weds	Women's book study: "Waking up white"	7:00 pm
Sat	Church house work day	9-3 pm
Sun	Fellowship meal	

## Upcoming Events

Mar 20	Men's breakfast at Bodo's on Preston	7:00 am
April 1	Easter breakfast	
May 18-20, 2018	Annual church retreat	

## Announcements

Please email all bulletin announcements by Wednesday evening 8:00 pm to Becky. Please include the word "bulletin" in the subject line of the heading.

## Sunday School Information:

We have two adult Sunday School classes that meet at 9:30 in the sanctuary. One is a general discussion group that follows the lectionary and meets in an open space in the front of the sanctuary. The other is usually a book discussion group and meets inside the curtained space in the back of the sanctuary (guests are welcome to attend even if they have not been reading the book). Children's Sunday School classes (preschool through high school) meet at 9:30 in the upstairs classrooms

**IMPACT dates to note:** The IMPACT organization will present findings from their research on the issue of affordable housing, and discuss possible concrete steps, at the **RALLY on March 20, at 6:30 pm. The NEHEMIAH Action will be on April 24 at 6:30 pm.** This is the big meeting when the faith communities meet with elected officials to present their findings and proposals. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings, but it is especially important to have a large turnout for the Nehemiah Action. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. If you have questions about this, please see Dottie, Outreach Coordinator.

**PACEM UPDATE:** Sojourners United Church of Christ will be hosting the women's shelter during the week of March 24-30 and has asked if our congregation can assist them in providing food for a meal. Four people have agreed to assist with this and we can use 1 or 2 more. Please let Dottie know if you want to assist.

The **women's book study** is meeting bi-weekly on Wednesday evenings reading "Waking up white" by Debbie Irving at 7 pm. For March 7 please read the second chapter "Midlife wakeup calls" pages 27-60.

## Undoing Racism - upcoming events in Charlottesville:

3/5 Screening of [\*I'm Not Racist...Am I?\*](#) 6 pm CHS, MLK PAC  
3/6 Screening of [\*I'm Not Racist...Am I?\*](#) 6 pm Northside library

Check out the Cville2Jamestown website for upcoming events and resources: <https://cville2jtown.weebly.com/>