



Christ Church

Third Sunday in Lent

March 27, 2011

Worship at 9:30 and 11:15 am

Order of Worship

9:30 a.m. – Third Sunday in Lent

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here.

Prelude **Sheep May Safely Graze** J.S. Bach

Ringing of the Church Bell

Hymn # 289 **O God of Every Nation** LLANGLOFFEN

Call to Worship The McDonald Family

Leader: The prophet asks: Can our soul-weary bones live again?

People: O God, you know!

Leader: We ask: Can we dance again after mourning, loss and grief?

People: O God, you know!

Leader: The gift is sure and unmistakable:

People: God's breath poured out as new life for weary souls!

Leader: Let us celebrate the gift of God's new life,

All: And come to worship God in laughter and dancing!

Prayer of Invocation The McDonald Family

Scripture Reading Psalm 130 The McDonald Family

Service of Baptism for Olivia Pulizzano

Presented by

Marsha and Vince Pulizzano

We receive this child as a new person in Christ. We offer our understanding and support as she explores life. We enfold her in our love, seeking together to grow in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and all people. We join with Marsha and Vince in telling the Gospel in our midst, so that their child and all children may live with us for Christ, showing forth his love for all people.

Song of Dedication

**Olivia, we greet you on this glad morning;
We are so happy that you are here.
Our fondest wishes go with you always:
God guard and keep you all through the years.**

A Story for Children Rev. Julie Yarborough
(The 2 and 3-year-olds may leave for Sunday school at this time.
Church Mice Choir for children pre-K through 1st grade
may leave at this time.)

SOS Moment Rick Morey

Hymn **A Place at the Table**, verses 1-3
(see insert)

Passing of the Peace

Announcements, Joys and Concerns Rev. Charles Rush

Silence & Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our God in heaven, holy is your name
Your reign come, Your will done
On earth as in heaven**

**Give us today our daily bread
and help us forgive
As we have been forgiven**

**In the time of trial
Lead us into life**

**For yours is the kin-dom
and the power and the glory forever.**

**Our God in heaven, holy is your name
Holy is your name.**

Amen

Invitation to Sharing

Offertory Anthem **The Day Is Coming**
Mark Miller and Laurie Zelman

The lands in longing
Call out your name
The tongues are different
The prayer the same
With humble spirits
Can we believe
That god is bigger
Than we conceive?

refrain
The day is coming
The lord will move
With the hand of justice
And the heart of love
The will of heaven
On this earth be done
The day is coming
Oh let it come

With willing spirits
Lord let us dare
To kneel with strangers
And join in prayer
Grant in your mercy
The hope that heals
The law of love
Your word reveals

A barren wasteland
We must reclaim
With hearts for bearing
Each other's pain
Grant us the courage
To make a place
To plant tomorrow's
Seeds of peace

Doxology OLD 100TH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Sing praise, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(Children pre-K through 7th grade may leave for Sunday school at this time.)

Scripture Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14 Rev. Dale Irvin
Sermon "Calling Dry Bones to Life Again" Rev. Irvin
Hymn **A Place at the Table, verses 4,5**
(see insert)
Benediction Rev. Charles Rush
Postlude **Reveille** Ned Rorem

Acolyte for 9:30 am: Christopher Taylor
Greeters: The Semper Family
Ushers for 9:30 am: The Trisler and Salort-Keller Family

Welcome! Visiting today? Please complete a Visitor Card and drop into the offering plate and join us for fellowship after today's service.



*The flowers today are given
in honor of the baptism of Olivia Rose Pulizzano
by her grandparents
Karen and Vincent Pulizzano.*

The **third white candle** on the altar is lit in hope of world peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Here is today's **Sunday school** schedule:
2-3 year olds Room B-202
Pre-K & K Room B-205
1st graders Room B-210
2nd graders Room B-214
3rd graders Room B-214
4th graders Room B-210
5th graders Room B-210

6th and 7th graders Conference Room
8th thru 12th graders Stay in Worship

Communications Committee Meeting today during coffee hour in the Conference Room adjacent to Barnwell Hall.

Adult Education Session Today: Sing Sing Prison Ministry Presentation New York Theological Seminary's program at the Sing Sing prison offers a master's degree to the men at Sing Sing. Our church supports this ministry, find out how you can get involved!

Tonight, March 27th, we will have Large Group Youth Group from 5:00pm-6:30pm.

Bake Sale for RISE: On Sunday March 27th, the youth and parents going to RISE are going to host a Bake Sale Fund-raiser in the Atrium directly after the 9:30 service. Come out and support their efforts!

Lenten Lunches: On Tuesdays March 29th and April 5th we will have lenten lunches from 12pm-1pm. Join us for a quick lenten reflection and soup lunch!

On next Sunday, April 3rd, Blair Bravo will be visiting Christ Church to share about "Affordable Housing and Habitat's Mission in New Jersey." Join us after the service to learn more.

Open & Affirming Advocacy Group: A number of years ago, Christ Church members voted to become an Open & Affirming church; i.e., a church that publicly welcomes LGBTI people into the full life and leadership of our congregation. A group of church members is forming to explore ways to live this commitment.

Please bring your ideas to the next meeting on Thursday, April 7th, at 6:45 PM (before choir rehearsal) in the Art Room. For more information, contact Brantley Dean at brantleydean@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendars! On Friday, April 8th our youth group will host an "Open Mic Night" to raise money for the upcoming service trip to Nicaragua in July 2011. If you know of any High School or young adult musicians who might be interested in participating in this event, please email cdean@ccsnj.org.

New Prayer Concerns and Joys: We celebrate the marriage of John Przedpelski's brother Victor to Jennifer, John and Penny Vigilante's birthdays and John's visiting family and Richard Perry's gratitude for prayers a year ago during his serious health problems.

Sunday March 27, 2011	Choir Practice – Sanctuary	8:45 am
	First Worship Service	9:30 am
	Church Mice – Barnwell Hall	9:45 am
	Coffee Hour – Barnwell Hall	10:30 am
	Genesis Choir - Sanctuary	10:45 am
	Canticle Singers – Lile Hall	11:00 am
	High School Youth Choir	11:15 am
Third Sunday in Lent	Second Worship Service	11:15 am
	Large Group Youth	5:00-6:30 pm

Ministers – All Members of Christ Church
 Senior Minister – The Rev. Dr. Charles T. Rush
 Associate Minister – The Rev. Julie Yarborough
 Associate Pastor of Adult and Youth Education – The Rev. Caroline Dean
 Minister of Music – Mark Miller
 Children's Choirs Director – Alison Vidal Caravano
 Second Service Pianist – Daniel Rufolo
 Office Manager – Cheryl Levy
 Housekeeping – Juan and Rocio Restrepo

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