

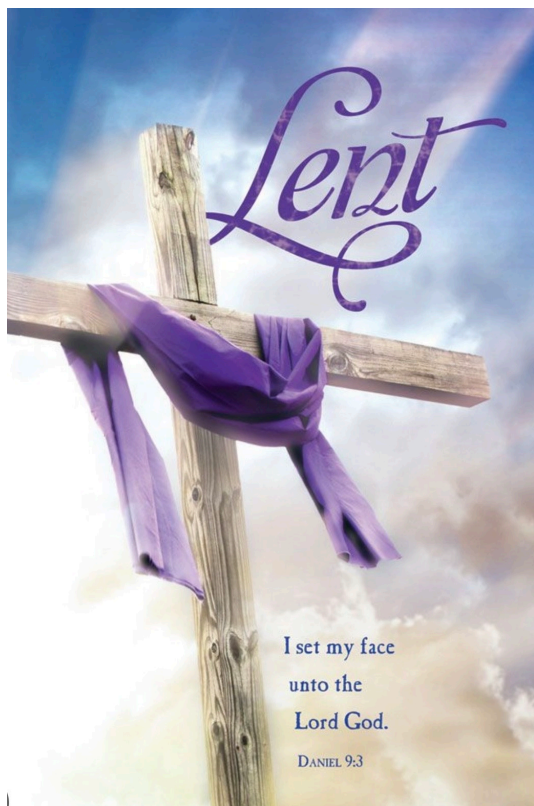
LET US WORSHIP GOD!

March 15, 2026—10:30 AM

Fourth Sunday in Lent

A HYBRID WORSHIP EXPERIENCE IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough;
Worship Leader: Marjorie Wetherill; Message: Rev. William Gaskill,
Pulpit Supply; Worship Production: Rick Dezmelyk



WELCOME! WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today! Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: www.coldspringworship.com

MESSAGE PREVIEW:

Rev. William Gaskill returns to our pulpit today with his message, "What Do You See?"

MUSIC PREVIEW:

Lauren Wileczek is a local, versatile musician, playing piano and guitar to accompany her beautiful voice and singing many of her original songs at open microphone nights throughout Cape May County. She also sings

four part a cappella music with the Cape Shore Chorus, Sweet Adelines Intl. She is employed as a personal home health aid. Today she is performing a song called "**I Know a Man Who Can**", a beloved Southern Gospel song written by Jack Campbell and Jimmie Davis. It centers on the theological message that while human beings have limitations, Jesus Christ has the power to heal broken hearts, forgive sins, and solve impossible situations. The lyrics focus on personal testimony, contrasting human inadequacy with divine ability, specifically highlighting Jesus as a Savior and friend.

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" is a famous Methodist hymn written by Charles Wesley in May 1739 to mark the first anniversary of his conversion experience. Inspired by a quote from his mentor, Peter Böhler, it highlights the theme of grace, featuring 18 original stanzas that celebrate redemption.

"I Danced in the Morning," commonly known as "Lord of the Dance," was written by English songwriter Sydney Carter in 1963. It portrays Jesus' life, ministry, death, and resurrection as a dance—a metaphor for his life and mission. Carter was partly inspired by a statue of the Hindu deity Shiva as Nataraja (Lord of the Dance) on his desk.

"Open My Eyes, That I May See" was written in 1895 by American composer Clara H. Scott (1841–1897), inspired by the biblical prayer in Psalm 119:18 to behold wondrous things. The hymn focuses on opening one's eyes, ears, and heart to spiritual truth and divine will. Tragically, Scott died two years later in a runaway horse and buggy

PRELUDE

JAYNE McDONOUGH

WELCOME:

LITURGIST: MARJORIE WETHERILL

GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON)

God welcomes all,
strangers and friends;
God's love is strong
and it never ends.

THE CALL TO WORSHIP: (RESPONSIVE)

EPHESIANS 5: 8-14

One: For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord.

Many: Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord.

One: Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.

Many: It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret.

One: But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light.

Many: This is why it is said: “Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

OPENING PRAYER: (UNISON)

God, the source of all that is good and right and true, we worship you this morning. By your Spirit, enable us to cast off the drowsiness and dark of the night. Open our eyes to your glory—the glory of the One who created all things, who is Love above all, and who, in Jesus Christ, brings us to a knowledge of your grace. To you, Creator, Redeemer and Reconciler, we offer our praise and bring you our prayers.

GATHERING HYMN - #466 (BLUE) "O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING"

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing

**My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of God's grace!**

**2. Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.**

**3. Christ breaks the pow'r of reigning sin,
And sets the prisoner free;
Christ's blood can make the foulest clean,
Christ's blood availed for me.**

**4. My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thru all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name.**

CALL TO CONFESSION: (FROM PSALM 103:8)

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Confident of God's character, let us confess our sins together so that we might receive healing and peace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (UNISON) (PSALM 130)

Out of the depths I cry to you, Lord; Lord, hear my voice. Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy. If you, Lord, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you. I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope. I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning. Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Silent Reflection

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE: (RESPONSIVE)

(FROM JEREMIAH 33:31-34)

One: “The days are surely coming,” says the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel. I will put my law within them; I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people. I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more.”

Many: **We believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and our sins are remembered no more.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Holy, magnificent God, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, allow us to see you clearly in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 SAMUEL 16: 1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king.” But Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me.” The Lord said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate.” Samuel did what the Lord said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, “Do you come in peace?” Samuel replied, “Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me.” Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed stands here before the Lord.” But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him.

The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, “The Lord has not chosen this one either.” Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, “Nor has the Lord chosen this one.” Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, “The Lord has not chosen these.” So he asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” “There is still the youngest,” Jesse answered. “He is tending the sheep.” Samuel said, “Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives.” So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; this is the one.” So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David. Samuel then went to Ramah.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: JOHN 9: 1-12, 35-41

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” “Neither this man nor his parents sinned,” said Jesus, “but this happened so that the works of

God might be displayed in him. As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man’s eyes. “Go,” he told him, “wash in the Pool of Siloam” (this word means “Sent”). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing. His neighbors and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, “Isn’t this the same man who used to sit and beg?” Some claimed that he was. Others said, “No, he only looks like him.” But he himself insisted, “I am the man.” “How then were your eyes opened?” they asked. He replied, “The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So I went and washed, and then I could see.” “Where is this man?” they asked him. “I don’t know,” he said. Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” “Who is he, sir?” the man asked. “Tell me so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said, “You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you.” Then the man said, “Lord, I believe,” and he worshiped him. Jesus said, “For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind.” Some Pharisees who were with him heard him say this and asked, “What? Are

we blind too?" Jesus said, "If you were blind, you would not be guilty of sin; but now that you claim you can see, your guilt remains.

MESSAGE: "WHAT DO YOU SEE?"

REV. WILLIAM GASKILL

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF MEDITATION : #302 (BLUE) "I DANCED IN THE MORNING"

**1. I danced in the morning
When the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon
And the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven
And I danced on the earth;
At Bethlehem I had my birth.
Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.**

**2. I danced for the scribe And the Pharisee,
But they would not dance
And they wouldn't follow me;**

**I danced for the fishermen,
For James and John;
They came with me And the Dance went on.
Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.**

**3. I danced on the Sabbath
And I cured the lame;
The holy people Said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
And they hung me on high,
And they left me there On a Cross to die.
Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.**

**4. I danced on a Friday
When the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance With the devil on your back.
They buried my body And they thought I'd gone;
But I am the Dance And I still go on.
Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.**

**5. They cut me down And I leapt up high;
I am the life That'll never, never die;
I'll live in you If you'll live in me:
I am the Lord Of the Dance, said He.
Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.**

**MOMENT FOR MISSION - ONE GREAT HOUR OF
SHARING - BEVERLY MATE**

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS:

God gives and gives and gives to bless, help, heal, and save us. What can we give in return? In the beloved words of Isaac Watts: "Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

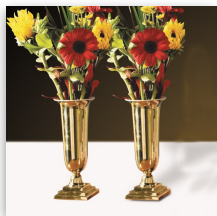
OFFERTORY - "*I KNOW A MAN WHO CAN*"

SOLOIST: LAUREN WILECZEK

THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above the heavenly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication



Community News

The flowers that beautify the sanctuary are given by John Saalman in loving memory of his Mother on her birthday, March 18.

To donate flowers in memory, or in honor, of a loved one, sign up in the narthex and/or contact Beverly Mate, 609-847-1530. (\$20/vase).

****Forms for Easter flowers for the sanctuary are in the narthex and should be turned in to Beverly Mate or the church office with the payment. Prices are on the forms.

Birthdays
& Anniversaries

Anniversary & Birthday Blessings:
Birthday Blessings to: Larry Hume ~ March 20
Happy Anniversary to: Ted and Janice Lewis -
March 22



Our **Bible Study** will continue to meet on **Wednesday March 18 at 10:00 -11:30** a.m. in Price Hall. It will meet weekly for **2 more weeks** before Easter. We are studying Psalm 23 using W. Phillip Keller's little study book, "A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23".

New for 2026! Cold Spring Suppers "Book Club"



Why: Good food for your heart, mind, body, and soul!

How: Participants will select, read, and discuss contemporary and classic books that stimulate the heart and mind, and enjoy a free dinner (pizza, salad, and drink). Book reading: "Secret of Secrets" by Dan Brown

When: *Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 6:30 pm*

Where: *Located here at Price Hall on 780 Seashore Road in Cold Spring.*

NOTE: Participants may request free copies of selected books in advance by emailing their request and mailing address to norrisclark@me.com

Thursday, April 2, 6:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service at Cold Spring Presbyterian Church. A combined service with Cape May Presbyterian Church.

RECEIVING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(If you'd like to add to our prayer list, please complete a green Let's Pray card.)

Pray for: **Abby Carr** having lung transplant surgery on March 10; Blessing that **Larry Moyer** visited with us last

Sunday and asked for prayers for his **Aunt Joan Johnson** suffering with cancer. Praise for his **Aunt Miriam** having her 97th Birthday, and planning a cruise for her 100th Birthday!; John Saalman's friend, **John Cervo** with prostate cancer; **Mary Everett** experiencing health issues; Linda's Cousin **Darlene**, having lung surgery; Update on **Rev. Jim Shanley**, he is still recovering and believes he may be able to return to our pulpit soon; **Barbara & Elmer Cain**, **Elmer** has been moved to a dementia unit, & **Barbara** is living alone now; **Larry Hume** has been in & out of hospital searching for a solution to a medical condition; friends & family of **Bill Thomas**, a friend of the Wenkers', on his passing; the **Mueller/Discepola family** on the passing of **Anne Mueller**; **Tracy Madden** for healing from grief and anxiety as she searches for support groups to help her recover; for **her family members** going through cancer and personal health issues, and travel mercies for **family member's**; **Baby Eleanor Mills**, now 40 days old, has gained enough weight to be able to go home, still needs our prayers for her continued health concerns; **Ariana Palmer**, 23 year old awaiting heart transplant.

Continual prayer requested for: **Eileen Stalford** in nursing care; **Pastor Bob Sheidly** friend of Bob Heinly, as he battles multiple maladies of aging; Anna Sheidly is now receiving hospice care.

Those on hospice care: **Marty, John Stalford, Gertrude Hess, Ted Lewis, Anna Sheidly.**

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Kiley Fulford; Bob Maher, Karen R., Keith, Todd, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Candy, Donna, Liz, Joe, Jennifer, Lori, Ruth, Debbie, Mike Grecco, Norma Sasso, Roseann Crook, Christa, Jackie, Diane, Charlotte Holman, Joe Paulits, Gretchen, Ray, Carl, Robert, Patricia, Richard Beare and Rev. Jack Wright.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us
our debts as we forgive our debtors,
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory forever. Amen.**

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

Once we were strangers,
Now we are neighbors.

Once we were strangers,
Now we are friends.

SENDING HYMN: #324 (BLUE) "OPEN MY EYES THAT I MAY SEE"

**1. Open my eyes, that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**2. Open my ears, that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
Everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**3. Open my mouth, and let me bear
Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

BENEDICTION:

REV. WILLIAM GASKILL

POSTLUDE:

JAYNE McDONOUGH

Go in peace. See you next week!

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1. *God Welcomes All* - CCLI Song #549555
2. *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*: Charles Wesley, Carl Gotthelf Glaser, arr. Lowell Mason; CCLI #1369
3. *I Danced in the Morning*; Sydney Carter, 1963, American Shaker melody; CCLI Song #78529
4. *I Know a Man Who Can*; Jack
5. *Gloria*: Public Domaine - not used during the Sunday's of Lent
6. *Doxology* - CCLI Song # 1149
7. *Open My Eyes That I May See*: Clara H. Scott, 1895 ; CCLI Song #68003