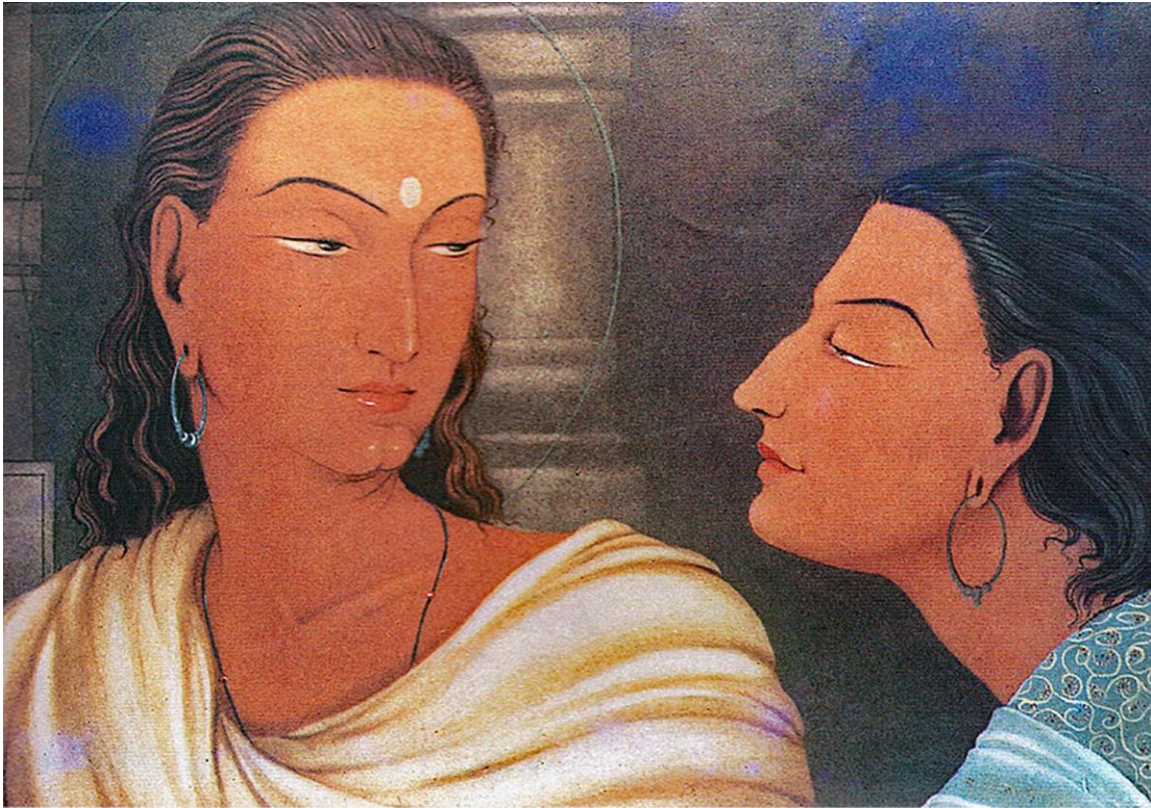


Hiram Christian Church
Season of Lent
Sunday, February 18, 2024



*Meeting with the Rich Young Ruler
by Frank Wesley*

Instructions for Living a Life

Pay attention.
Be astonished.
Tell about it.

~ Mary Oliver

May this time of worship be nurturing to your Spirit,
further encouraging you to be who God has created you to be.

Prelude	<i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i>	<i>Timothy Albrecht</i>
Welcome		
Peace		
One:	God's Grace and Peace be with you.	
Many:	And also with you.	
*Call to Worship:		
One:	The dust that shapes the journey, the cross that guides it, the color that surrounds it, the light that fades through it, the Word that foretells it, the wilderness that invites it –	
Many:	this is Lent, and into its wilderness God calls us.	
One:	Come, friends, Christ is heading for Jerusalem	
*Hymn	<i>Womb of Life, and Source of Being</i>	#14
Prayers of the People		
Stillness		
The Lord's Prayer	<i>(The language of "debts" and "debtors" is often used. The prayer may begin with the image of parent, "Our Father" or "Our Mother." Use the language that draws you close to our God.)</i>	
Invitation to the Table	This is the Lord's Table. This is an Open Table. All are welcome. All are worthy.	Marcia Muster
Communion Hymn	<i>Come, Share the Lord</i>	#408
Celebration of Communion		
Prayer of Gratitude		Marcia Muster
Response	<i>Amen, Amen, Amen</i>	#312
Children's Sermon		
Scripture Reading	Mark 10: 17 – 31	p. NT 36
Sermon	"Treasuring"	Rev. Chris McCreight
*Hymn	<i>We Give Thee but Thine Own</i>	#382
Invitation to Stewardship ++		Marcia Muster
Offertory		
Doxology	Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above, ye Heavenly hosts, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	#46
*Prayer of Gratitude		Marcia Muster
*Benediction		Rev. Chris McCreight
*Hymn of Going Forth	<i>O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life</i>	#432
Postlude	<i>How Sweet Is My Walk with Jesus</i>	<i>D. Warner, R. Warren</i>

Following the Benediction, your service begins.

* The congregation is welcome to stand as able

14 Womb of Life, and Source of Being

1. Womb of life, and source of be - ing, home of ev - 'ry
 2. Word in flesh, our bro - ther Je - sus, born to bring us
 3. Brood - ing Spir - it, move a - mong us; be our part - ner,
 4. Moth - er, Broth - er, ho - ly Part - ner; Fath - er, Spir - it,

rest - less heart, in your arms the worlds a - wak - ened; you have
 sec - ond birth, you have come to stand be - side us, know - ing
 be our friend. When our mem - 'ry fails, re - mind us whose we
 On - ly Son: we would praise your name for - ev - er, one - in -

loved us from the start. We, your chil - dren, gath - er
 weak - ness, know - ing earth. Priest who shares our hu - man
 are, what we in - tend. La - bor with us, aid the
 three, and three - in - one. We would share your life, your

'round you, at the ta - ble you pre - pare. Shar - ing sto - ries,
 strug - gles, Life of Life, and Death of Death, ris - en Christ, come
 birth - ing of the new world yet to be, free of ser - vant,
 pas - sion, share your word of world made new, ev - er sing - ing,

WORDS: Ruth Duck, 1986, 1990
 MUSIC: Traditional Dutch melody; arr. Julius Roentgen, 1906

IN BABILONE
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696 Come, Share the Lord

1 We gath - er here in Je - sus' name, his love is burn - ing in our
 2 He joins us here, he breaks the bread, the Lord who pours the cup is
 3 We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing; we'll see the glo - ry of our

hearts like liv - ing flame; for through his lov - ing Son the Fa - ther
 ris - en from the dead; the one we love the most is now our
 Lord and com - ing King; now we an - tic - i - pate the feast for

Fine
 makes us one: come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.
 gra - cious host: come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.
 which we wait: come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.

(1) No one is a stran - ger here, † ev - ery - one be - longs;
 (2) We are now a fam - i - ly of which the Lord is head;

WORDS and MUSIC: Bryan Jeffery Leech (1931 -)
 Words and Music © 1984 Fred Bock Music Company

DIVERNON
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to verses 2 and 3
 find - ing our for - give - ness here, we in turn for - give all wrongs.
 though un - seen he meets us here in the break - ing of the bread.

1. We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;
 2. May we thy boun-ties thus as stew-ar-ds true re-ceive,
 3. To com-fort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,
 4. The cap-tive to re-lease, to God the lost to bring,
 5. And we be-lieve thy Word, though dim our faith may be;

1. all that we have is thine a-lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
 2. and glad-ly, as thou bless-est us, to thee our first-fruits give.
 3. to tend the lone-ly in dis-tress, is an-gels' work be-low.
 4. to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.
 5. what-e'er for thine we do, O Lord, we do it un-to thee.

WORDS: William W. How, c. 1858
 MUSIC: Mason and Webb's *Cantica Laudis*, 1850

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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

John 14:6

432 O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life

1. O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, be with us now, we pray;
 2. O faith-ful Guide, re-new our trust in love that does not fail;

di-rect our steps as we go forth to do your will this day.
 and give us strength to work and pray, that peace may soon pre-vail.

WORDS: James L. Merrell, 1991
 MUSIC: Alexander R. Reinagle, 1836

ST. PETER
 CM

Ministers:	All Friends and Members of Hiram Christian Church
Organist:	Drew Hinkle
Reverend:	Chris McCreight

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

4C's Needs: For February – canned potatoes, granola bars, coffee (any kind). Please remember to check any expiration dates before donating! Monetary donations can be sent to: The 4C's, P.O. Box 227, Mantua, OH 44255

Nelson Garrettsville Comm. Cupboard: 8233 Park Ave, Garrettsville, OH 44231

++ Stewardship: If you would like to make a gift to the church via credit/debit card, you can follow the link to our website below.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Sun. Feb. 18: First Sunday of Lent – New Worship Order!

9:45am Adult Elective in Fireside Room

11:00am Worship

Team Leaders meeting after worship

2-4pm Chi Rho- creating comics with Juan Fernandez

Tue. Feb. 20: **9:00am Bible Study in Rev. Chris' office**

8:00pm AA

Wed. Feb. 21: **12:00pm Lenten Contemplative Service**

5:30pm Lenten Contemplative Service

Sun. Feb. 25: **9:45am Adult Elective in Fireside Room**

11:00am Worship

4-6pm Chili Cook-off

STAFF CONTACT & AVAILABILITY:

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Church office hours: Closed Mon. 2/19; Tue. & Wed. 9:30-3:30pm.

Key: **in Admin. bldg.;** **in the Hall;** **an in-person event;** **hybrid event.**

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