

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAY READER for today is Walt Emery.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS this week are Elda McCoy, Carole Emery. Debbie Prince and Walt Emery.

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this month are Ron and Brenda Bruce.

THE FLOWERS are given this week by Mano Miller in memory of Paul “Candy” Miller.

DEACON of the month is Carole Emery.

Church Staff

Nicole Vogel
Jen Carmella
Linda Schaller
Bob Lee
Sami Carmella

Pastor
Secretary
Music Director
Sexton
Nursery Attendant

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

Today ~ Adult Education Class, 9:00 a.m.
~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.
~ Bell rehearsal after worship in the Youth Room
~ Youth Group Zoom meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania

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(*Indicates to stand, in body or spirit)

April 18, 2021
3rd Sunday in Easter
Service for the Lord's Day

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” ARR. LYNETTE MAYNARD

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God. Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever? The Lord sets the prisoners free, opens the eyes of the blind and lifts up those who are bowed down. The Lord will reign forever. Praise the Lord! Let us worship God who in Christ we find freedom!

*HYMN NO. 738

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord, we want to follow you whoever you lead. Reach out to us this day, stirring our souls and spirits with the winds of your power that we may faithfully be your disciples. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all things, I have a problem called sin. It makes me do things I don't want to do; say things I don't want to say and think things I don't want to think. It keeps me from living fully for You each day. I want to embrace the freedom You give. I want to obey You and Your word. I want to be a light of hope to a hurting world. I want my life to count. I want to be a servant. I need Your forgiveness. I need Your help. Today and every day. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

☞ Moment for Silent Reflection ☞

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT

John 8: 31-38 (Pg. 101)

EPISTLE

Galatians 5:1,13-25 (Pg. 190)

L: Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON

Sermon Series Part 2: "Called to Freedom"

Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. (on insert)

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

SENDING

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

"To God Be the Glory"

ARR. JOHN TURNER