

## *Gather in God's Name*

PRELUDE

GREETING and WELCOME

The grace of God be with you all

**And also with you!**

Let us worship God

TIME FOR CENTERING

*God Gives Hope: New Beginnings*

\*CALL to WORSHIP

Psalm 4 *select verses*

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

**Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; when I cry out, the LORD will hear me.**

Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the LORD.

**You have put gladness in my heart, I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*OPENING HYMN #399 "We Walk by Faith and Not By Sight"

Lighting of the Peace Candle

*"Peace be upon you—ministering angels, angels of heaven— from the King who is king of all kings, the Holy One, blessed be He;" ~ Peace Be Upon You by Anonymous, translated by Peter Cole*

INVITATION and PRAYER of CONFESSION

**O Jesus Christ, sometimes we are so busy talking with each other that we fail to find you beside us. We walk on, so focused on our**

**questions that we do not create the silent spaces that would allow you to speak with us and enlighten our journeying. Stay with us, Jesus Christ. Reach out towards us and invite us to pause and meet with you, we pray. As we look at our lives and that of the world around us, we are sometimes too anxious to share our real questions or our doubts and fears. We keep them within us in troubled silence.**

*~ Moment of Silent Prayer ~*

*(We call your name, O Christ,) ...and hope to discover you here in our community of vulnerable faith. AMEN*

ASSURANCE of PARDON

\*HYMN #579

"Gloria Patri"

\*PASSING of the PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*GATHERING SONG "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

### *Proclamation of God's Word*

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

First Reading: Acts 3:12-19

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-7

Gospel Reading: John 24:36-48

Sermon Series: God Gives Hope

*"New Beginnings"*

*Andrea J Holroyd*

\*HYMN #121

"That Easter Day with Joy was Bright"

*(Collection of Prayer Request Cards by Ushers)*

**Response to God's Word**

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed *Ecumenical*  
Blue Hymnal pg 14

THE OFFERING

Offertory

\*The Doxology

*Hymnal # 592*

\*Prayer Of Dedication

PRAYERS of THANKSGIVING and INTERCESSION

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Go With God**

\*CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*HYMN #443 "O Christ, the Great Foundation"

\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

\*Rise in body and/or spirit.



**April 15: HOPE**  
**for New Beginnings**



**April 22: HOPE**  
**in Troubled Times**

**April 29: HOPE**  
**for the Future**

**May 6: HOPE**  
**for the World**

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Worship Service 10:30 AM

April 15 2018

## Announcements

Welcome! To anyone who may be visiting with us this morning, we are delighted that you are here to participate in worshipping God with us. May you find yourself at home among Friends in Christ. Tell us more about yourself using the "About You" form located in each pew and offer it to the Usher during the collection of Prayer Requests. "Like-Us" on Facebook for updates and Church information. **Visit our website: [schohariepresbyterian.org](http://schohariepresbyterian.org)**

*Please join us for coffee & fellowship following the service this morning in the Christian Education building.*

**Session Meeting:** Session will be meeting on April 16, 2018 at 7:00 pm in CE Bldg.

**Wiawaka Women** will be meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM for a dish to pass dinner and at 6:30 Bible Study and prayer.

**Your invited:** The Schoharie Bell Ringers and the Middleburgh Ecumenical Bell Choir invite you to a Concert on **May 6, 2018 at 3:00** PM at the Middleburgh Reformed Church Fellowship Hall, River St. Middleburgh.

**In Honor of Earth Day:** April 22<sup>nd</sup> following Worship Service you will each be given a Colorado Blue Spruce Tree to plant wherever you might want. We thank Sue Bramer for working with the Soil and Water Agency in securing and preparing these for our congregation and friends.

**Schoharie Community Christian Camp** – is scheduled for July 16-20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. This is a great opportunity to share God's Love with the Youth. Think about volunteering. More information to follow.

**Schoharie Christian After School Program** - Program runs weekdays Mon. through Fri. Please call the office 518 295-8931 if you want to help.

**Church Office** hours are from Tuesday – Friday 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM should you need to contact Parish Leader Andrea or Linda B. 518 - 295 8931. You may email the church office at SUPC09@yahoo.com.

### **A Time to Celebrate: Happy birthday in April to:....**

Charles Wright	April 1st	Alice Ostrander	April 3rd
Natalie Weldon	April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Richard Herrick Sr.	April 11th
Eliza Eddy	April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Gene Amedio	April 20 <sup>th</sup>
Lorraine Bogardus	April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Harriet Cornwell	April 27 <sup>th</sup>

Intercessory Prayer List: Do you have something you're praying about this week? Let us pray with you. Dear Risen Christ, open our minds to understand that through you there is Hope for New Beginnings. Lord reveal your plan for this day. Show what you would have us do, and give us the courage to do it. As we come together on this Third Sunday of Easter be ever present in our lives. Allow us to confess our faith in you and reflect on the ways you have given us new life through the resurrection. This morning we ask for your presence in the lives of **Phil and Kathleen** as their Grandmother **Geraldine Ackert** has passed into your kingdom. Comfort them and be present with them as they mourn her passing. Dear Lord, be with **Margaret Adams** and give her your comfort and strength. Heal her needs and show her your peace. We ask this morning that your hand of comfort will be on all those suffering with health problems. Continue to be with our shut-ins and their caregivers. We thank you Lord for your goodness in healing our **Sheila** back to full health. Thank you for continuing to be with **Linda B** as she heals. Now may the light of God's face shine on each of us and be gracious unto us. Amen

Mealtime Prayer: God bless our food, God guide our ways, God give us strength to declare your praise. Amen.

***Have A Great Week !!***

