



# *Protestant Fellowship Community Newsletter March, 2023*

## **“You are ...”**

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ... let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:13-16

### **Who are you?**

The Greek philosophers taught: know yourself.

Moses taught: love God, other people and yourself.

Hebrew prophets taught: know God in your behavior.

Jesus revealed: make a real choice to be loved by God in grace through faith.

### **Who are you?**

You are the salt that preserves life, the salt that enhances life.

You are the light that reveals the way, the light of reason that brings understanding.

### **Who are you?**

You are the image and likeness of the Eternal Father made manifest in a unique moment in time and space. You are the gift of God who opens the way to the Kingdom of God in a singular choice.

You are the Temple of the Holy Spirit.

You are the wonder, joy and delight of the eternal Father uniquely created to be the love of God through a real choice to enter the Great Amen of grace. The Great Amen of grace is our choice, your choice, to say yes to God. As you say “yes” to God, the Holy Spirit works through your unique personality to help you become a blessing to other people.

Jesus teaches: be who the Father created you to be.

Be who the Son redeemed you to be.

Become who the Holy Spirit is forming you to be.




In the Great Amen of grace, be the “yes” to divine love today, tomorrow and forever. Amen.

*Prayerfully submitted by Fr. Ernest Curtin*

## In-Person Worship Services for March, 2023

**Each Sunday at 2:00 pm from the chapel;  
also on ACTV channel 976 / 980 (HD)**

**All are Welcome to join us in the Chapel on Sunday Afternoons**

Sunday, Mar. 5, 2023	<p><b>Second Sunday during Lent</b></p> <p>Rev. Roshan Soans, Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ, Holland, PA. Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated.</p> <p>Organist: Jane Smith; Pianist: Betty Kingston; Chapel Choir.</p>	
Sunday, Mar. 12, 2023	<p><b>Third Sunday during Lent</b></p> <p>Rev. Mary McCullough, Episcopal Church of the Advent, Hatboro, PA. Organist: Bud Williams; Pianist: Betty Kingston. (Note: Prelude will begin at 1:30 pm.)</p>	
Sunday, Mar. 19, 2023	<p><b>Fourth Sunday during Lent</b></p> <p>Rev. Gary Drucker, Chair of Theology Works Division of SciMed Writing LLC, Richboro, PA.</p> <p>Organist: Joan Kirk; Pianist: Betty Kingston</p>	
Sunday, Mar. 26, 2023	<p><b>Fifth Sunday during Lent</b></p> <p>Rev. Amy Martin, Continuing Care Chaplain and Protestant Pastoral Associate, Ann's Choice</p> <p>Organist: John Keesey; Pianist: Betty Kingston; Chapel Choir.</p>	

### **Protestant Pastoral Associate**

Rev. Amy Martin's ministry at Ann's Choice is two-pronged. Most of her time is at Rose Garden and Chestnut Pointe as the Chaplain. And about one-quarter is in Independent Living as the Protestant Pastoral Associate. Stop by her office in Liberty Commons and introduce yourself to her.

### **To Receive this Newsletter:**

Contact Rev. Amy Martin at [Amy.Martin@Erickson.com](mailto:Amy.Martin@Erickson.com) or (215) 443-3831, or in the Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty. Make sure to include your email address for receipt of this newsletter by email or your apartment to receive it in your cubby.

### **We Need Your Advice!**

Please complete the one-page survey enclosed with the newsletter. Detach it from the Lenten Readings and follow the instructions to return it.

### **Protestant Page on the Resident Website:**

You may find this worship bulletins, hymns, newsletters and other information about the Protestant Fellowship at [www.acresidents.org](http://www.acresidents.org).

## Quiet Reflections and Prayers:

The Chapel at Ann's Choice is open daily for private reflection when worship services and other events not being conducted.

## Bible Study:

Weekly Bible study meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Liberty Commons Music Room. Zoom access is available on request prior to Wednesday morning. Rev. Na is leading the Bible study. Contact Rev. Na at (215) 443-4925, Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty or [Kang.Na@erickson.com](mailto:Kang.Na@erickson.com) for more information about the Bible study or connection information for using Zoom.

The Bible study is deepening our knowledge of **what the Bible is, says, and means**. Everyone is welcome to join us on this journey.

All are welcome so that together we might encourage and challenge one another on the hard road that is Christian discipleship.

## Supporting Our Ministry and Mission:

You can help support the mission projects and ministries of the Protestant Fellowship. Donations may be enclosed in an envelope addressed to Rev. Na and taken to any clubhouse front desk. Donations by check are preferred; please make the check payable to "A. C. – Protestant Fund".

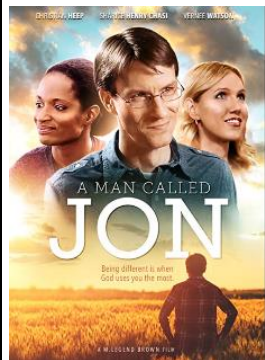
On the memo line, please write "Donation."

If you are having checks mailed from your financial institution, have them mailed to Ann's Choice Protestant Fellowship, c/o Pastoral Ministries, 20000 Ann's Choice Way, Warminster, PA 18974.

## Second Saturday Cinema, in March, 2023:

On Saturday, on March 11, 2023 the Protestant Fellowship will present ***A Man Called Jon*** in the PAC at 7:00 pm with a pre-show at 6:45.

Pastor Jon Carson's unusual style of worship is not traditional, and his church is not accustomed to outbursts during service. One day after Jon embarrasses the church along with his family, Senior Pastor Stannum decides to request that Jon be assigned to a different church. A paperwork mix-up sends him to the wrong church. Jon is moved to a third church where he struggles to fit in. Will he be moved yet again?



This program is sponsored by the Protestant Fellowship Council as a ministry to residents, friends and staff at Ann's Choice.

**No donation will be requested, as your presence is your donation.**

## Meditations in the Newsletter:

If you feel led by the Holy Spirit to write a meditation for this newsletter? Contact John Hodges at (215) 32-4969 for information or for assistance in developing a short meditation.

## Rose Gardens and Chestnut Pointe:

Monthly Protestant Communion services have resumed in the Continuing Care communities. Pastoral Visits and Home Communion are still available.

Also, each week, worship bulletins and hymns are delivered to new residents at RG and CP and to those who have asked for them on a regular basis.

Contact Pastoral Ministries at (215) 443-4831 to volunteer to assist with these ministries or if you have questions about them.

## Protestant Fellowship Council

*Our purpose is to bring glory to God in all that we pursue in and through the Protestant Faith Community*

### Members of the Protestant Fellowship Council in 2023

Fr. Ernie Curtin	MT-214	Worship Chair
Gail Dahlen	BC-102	Treasurer
Dolores Ehrenfeld	BC-312	Mission Outreach
John Hodges	BC-412	Asst. Treas., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday Cinema, Newsletters
Marian Holcombe	BG-314	
Helen Hughes	DT-307	Cubby Stuffers
Robert McQue	BR-301	Secretary, Worship Staff and Ushers
Lynn Swan	BR-201	Council Chair
Janet Wentz	PV-107	Flowers
Bud Williams	TC-107	Council Vice-Chair

### Save the Date – May 30, 2023:

On Tuesday, May 30, 2023, the Protestant Fellowship will again present Centennial Singers at 7:00 pm in the Ann's Choice Chapel.

Put this special program on your calendar for May.



### Donations for Ukraine Relief:

The Protestant Fellowship Council has donated \$ 5,000 to Samaritan's Purse for its relief ministries for the Ukrainian people. Donations from residents so far are more than \$ 13,000, and that has also been sent to Samaritan's Purse.



Samaritan's Purse is providing food and non-food relief items through church partners in both Ukraine and Moldova.

For more information, go to their website, [www.samaritanspurse.org](http://www.samaritanspurse.org). Click on the "Video" tab and select "International Crisis Response". Click on "Ukraine".