

WESLEYAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS

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March 25th, 2018 – Palm Sunday Morning Worship

Prelude "Hosanna" Arr. Schram
All Glory, Laud, and Honor/Hosanna
Byron and Kellen Mikesell, Trumpets

Greeting and Call to Worship —1 Chronicles 29:10-11
Praise be to You, O Lord, from everlasting to everlasting.
Yours is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty.

***Praise 123** *All Hail King Jesus* Moody
124 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Perronet
(Stanzas 1 and 2)

*Invocation

Concert by The Stevens Family – Part 1 From Warren, Ohio

Offertory *He Has Surely Borne Our Sorrow* Lister/Whitsett

*Morning Prayer

Concert by The Stevens Family – Part 2 From Warren, Ohio

***Praise 232** *Lead Me to Calvary* Hussey
(Stanzas 1 and 4)

***Benediction** *Congregation Standing

Welcome, Friends, in Services Here!

Head Hostess/Greeter: Carol Knisely

Today's Greeters: Leon and Pauline Calaman

Head Usher: Bob Wickard

Ushers: Leon and Pauline Calaman, Ron Resh, Bob Smith

Sunday School Secretaries: Kellie Kuhn, Diane Resh

Offering Stewards: Carol Knisely, Naomi Lamason

Nursery: Joyce Mumper

Junior Worship: Ron and Kellie Kuhn

Worship 8:15 and 10:30 am **Sunday School** 9:30 am

Prayer & Bible Study Group Wednesday, 11:00 am

Youth Group & Awana Club Wednesday, 6:30 pm (Sept. – Apr.)

Ladies' Bible Study & Prayer, Next Meeting Thursday, March 22nd – 7:00 pm

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 3rd Saturday, 10:00 am – Noon

Women's Ministry, 1st Tuesday, 1:00 pm

Choir Rehearsal, 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 8:15 pm

LBA Meeting, 2nd Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand—
The shadow of a mighty rock Within a weary land,
A home within the wilderness, A rest upon the way
From the burning of the noontide heat And the burden of the day.

There lies beneath its shadow, But on the farther side,
The darkness of an awful grave That gapes both deep and wide;
And there between us stands the cross, Two arms out-stretched to save,
Like a watchman set to guard the way From that eternal grave.

Upon the cross of Jesus Mine eyes at times can see
The very dying form of One Who suffered there for me.
And from my smitten heart, with tears, These wonders I confess:
The wonder of His glorious love, And my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow For my abiding place.
I ask no other sunshine than The sunshine of His face;
Content to let thee world go by, To know no gain nor loss,
My sinful self—my only shame, My glory—all the cross.

—Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1872

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me (Gal. 6:14; 2:20 NIV).

CROWNED OR CRUCIFIED

**I stood alone at the bar of God
In the hush of the twilight dim,
And faced the question that pierced my heart:
“What will you do with Him?
Crown’d or crucified? Which shall it be?
No other choice was offered me.**

I look’d on the face so marr’d with tears
That were shed in His agony;
The look in His kind eyes broke my heart,
‘Twas so full of love for me
“The Crown or the Cross,” it seem’d to say;
“for or against Me choose thou today!”

He held out His loving hands to me,
While He pleadingly said, “Obey!
Make Me thy choice, for I love thee so,”
And I could not say Him nay.
Crown’d, not crucified; this must it be!
No other way was open to me.

I knelt in tears at the feet of Christ,
In the hush of the twilight dim,
And all that I was or hoped or sought,
I surrendered unto Him.
Crown’d, not crucified! My heart shall know
No king but Christ, who loves me so!

—Author Unknown

SUNDAY MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH 25TH, 2018

The Stevens Family Returns Today to Present a Concert Here! From Warren, Ohio, Rich, Tami and Erin minister the gospel to people of all ages in a variety of musical styles. Their music is best described as Christ-centered and family-oriented!



Mark Your Calendar for Holy Week—a service *Maundy Thursday*, March 29th, at 7:00 pm celebrating our faith in the crucified, risen and living Savior! The worship on *Maundy Thursday* will include Holy Communion.

Good Friday we will observe a community celebration of the *Stations of the Cross*, from 12:00 Noon – 2:00 pm, a march among downtown churches, stopping for a reflection on the last hours of Jesus' earthly life followed by prayers for the Carlisle community. Our church is invited to participate!



Next Sunday will be Easter Sunday—*day of resurrection!* Join us in worship and Sunday School. Plan to be part of the celebration of life!

Today on WPMG – 91.3 FM you can hear the pastor's Palm Sunday Reflections on the Gospel; the message airs at 11:00 am, 2:00, 7:00 and 10:00 pm.

**“He who did not spare His Own Son, but gave Him up for us all—
how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?”**
(*Romans 8:32*)

Thank You for Giving to the project costs for a district short-term missions trip to Haiti, April 26 – May 5. Bill & Faye Knouse will be part of an 11-member team on this trip to refurbish the medical clinic at the Wesleyan hospital on La Gonave island, off the main land.

Church of the Cross commits to reach spiritually lost people in our zip codes by: (1) intentionally praying for the people in our zip codes, (2) generously giving for outreach and ministry to people in our zip codes, and (3) by becoming a “sending church” by 2020—sending out workers to do God's work! Help us *think & pray* about what this will look like in Carlisle!



Awana Club & Youth Group Wed., 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Children age 3 through 5th grade meet in Awana Club. Grades 6 to 12 are included in the Youth Group.

Women's Prayer & Bible Study—2nd & 4th Thursday evenings, 7:00 pm—open to any ladies who would enjoy an informal opportunity for conversation and prayer, and time in the Word of God. **The group meets Thurs., April 12th.**

Prayer Shawl/Lap Robe Ministry's Next Meeting, April 21st – 10:00 am to Noon, at the home of Alicia Navratil, 1354 Kiner Blvd, Carlisle, PA. Anyone is welcome to participate in this on-going ministry.



Vacation Bible School planning meeting **Tuesday evening, April 10th**, 7:00 p.m. Many volunteers are needed! Please join the effort. What are the ways YOU can help with this summertime ministry to children? Come and see!! We'll set dates, assign teachers and helpers, and get our publicity for VBS on a roll! Hope many of you will come out & help!!

“Neighbors Helping Neighbors” Community Service Day has been announced for April 14th, 8:00 am to Noon, picnic lunch in Heberlig-Palmer Park at Noon. Volunteers are needed for removing yard waste, landscaping, trimming bushes, painting fences & other small projects in the area between N. College & N. Hanover streets, and W. Louther north to E Street. Volunteers may register at www.carlisleweside.wordpress.com Let's show the love of God to neighbors!

Jesus and Alexander

Jesus and Alexander died at thirty-three;
One lived and died for self; one died for you and me.
The Greek died on a throne; the Jew died on a cross;
One's life a triumph seemed; the other but a loss.
One led vast armies forth; the other walked alone;
One shed a whole world's blood; the other gave His own.
One won the world in life and lost it all in death.
The other lost His life to win the whole world's faith.

Jesus and Alexander died at thirty-three;
One died in Babylon; and one on Calvary.
One gained all for self; and one Himself He gave;
One conquered every throne; the other every grave.
The one made himself God; The God made Himself less;
The one lived but to blast; the other but to bless!
When died the Greek, forever fell his throne of swords;
But Jesus died to live forever Lord of lords.

Jesus and Alexander died at thirty-three.
The Greek made all men slaves; the Jew made all men free.
One built a throne on blood; the other built on love,
The one was born of earth; the other from above;
One won all this earth, to lose all earth and heaven.
The other gave up all, that all to Him be given.
The Greek forever died; the Jew forever lives;
He loses all who gets, and wins all things who gives.

—*Author Unknown*