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**March 12, 2017**

**First Deaf Worship – 9:30 a.m.**

Worship Leader – Debra Hoffer  
Song Leader – Gwen Hurst  
Message – Sharing stories, verses, and songs  
Interpreter – None  
Greeter/Usher – N/A

**First Deaf Church Life Activities Calendar**

March 10-12 - Mid-Atlantic Deaf Men's Retreat.  
March 12 - First Deaf worship will include sharing God's stories, verses, and songs.  
March 15 – No Bible study.  
March 17 – Deaf Game Night at church – 5:30 – 10:30 pm. (Bring finger foods.)  
March 19, and 26 - Chuck Snyder will share/preach to First Deaf congregation.  
March 29 - Bible Study at Elizabeth Rohrer's apt 6:30 pm (check with Phyllis)  
April 2 – Chuck Snyder will share/preach to First Deaf congregation.  
April 2 – Fellowship meal at noon. (details later)  
April 7-9 – Laurelville Retreat – Registration deadline – March 20. (See Mike Hurst)  
April 16 and 30 – Nathanael Davis will share/preach to First Deaf congregation.

**FIRST DEAF & WITMER HEIGHTS NEWS**

~NOTE to First Deaf: Because First Deaf congregation will be at Laurelville for retreat on April 9 there will be no worship service for First Deaf here at the church that morning.

~NOTE to Witmer Heights: A membership and baptism class will be starting this spring. If interested in joining, please contact Pastor Randy.

**OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE – March 5**

**Offerings/General Fund**

First Deaf \$ 682.00  
Witmer Heights \$3,836.00  
S.S. Offering \$ 33.50  
My Coins Count \$ 48.91 (Matched = \$97.82)  
Total thus far for 3 Sundays = \$527.55

**Attendance/Worship**

First Deaf - 26  
Witmer Heights - 70

~Volunteers are needed to match “My Coins Count.” Contact Becca and Cory to schedule a time to match.

**March 12, 2017**

**Witmer Heights Worship - 10:40 a.m.**

**Lent 2: Restore us O God! We wonder.**

**Focus Statement:** In our humanness, we want to know, to define, and to have concrete answers for everything. However, life is filled with uncertainty. We trust that God, the great Mystery, is always present with us in our wondering.

**Gathering/Praising**

Prelude  
Call to worship/Lighting Peace Candle  
Singing together  
Offering/Offertory/Coins for MCC

**Hearing**

Children's time  
Song  
Confessions/Words of assurance  
Scripture reading: John 3:1-17  
“Wanderings and Wonderings”

**Responding**

Lenten Ritual  
Song of response  
Sharing and congregational prayer

**Sending**

Sending song  
Benediction

**Worship Service Participants**

**Prelude/Offertory/Song Leading:** Praise Team

**Worship Leader:** Sophia Mast

**Children's Story:** Eileen Ranck **Preacher:** Randy Keener

**Offering Attendants:** Neil and Donna Reinford

**Greeters:** John and Mim Buckwalter

**Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar**

March 12 – Fellowship meal – Bring hot and cold dishes to share.  
March 15 – Elder Team meeting – 7:00 pm.  
March 31-April 1 – MCC Relief Sale at Harrisburg.  
April 3 – WH Volunteer Day at MCC Resource Center – 9:00-3:00.  
April 30 –Community Hymn Sing at Stumptown Mennonite Church