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OF HEAVEN

MATTHEW 13

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April 19, 2026 | 10:45am

WORSHIP TO THE TRIUNE GOD

Let us praise the Lord for bringing us into His body.

CALL TO WORSHIP – Psalm 84:1–2

“How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.”

*HYMNS OF ADORATION “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” (No.129)
“He Will Hold Me Fast”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT – Exodus 19:1–6 (p.76)

NEW TESTAMENT – Ephesians 2:19–22 (p.1242)

CONFESSION OF FAITH – The Nicene Creed

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE “The Church’s One Foundation” (No. 131)

PRAISES & REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SERMON TEXT.....**Matthew 16:13–20** (p.1044)

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON**The Importance of the Church Today**

*HYMN OF FAITH “We Believe in One True God” (No.44)

BENEDICTION

*HYMN OF COMMISSION – “Gloria Patri” (No.43)

*Please stand as you are able

**Children's worship is available age 4 through 1st grade

April 19, 2026

“Jesus Christ for Western Beaver County”

Songs for Worship

1| Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (No. 129)

1. Glorious things of thee are spoken,

Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for His own abode:
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou mayst smile at all Thy foes.

2. See, the streams of living waters,

Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters
And all fear of want remove:
Who can faint while such a river
Ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
Never fails from age to age.

3. Round each habitation hov'ring,

See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a cov'ring,
Showing that the Lord is near!
Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken
Formed thee for His own abode.

2 | He Will Hold Me Fast

1. When I fear my faith will fail

Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast.

**Chorus: He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.**

2. Those He saves are His delight

Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast;
He'll not let my soul be lost
His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast. **Chorus**

3. For my life He bled and died

Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast;
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast;
Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last. **Chorus 2X**

3 | The Church's One Foundation (No. 131)

1. The church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation, By water and the Word;
From heav'n He came and sought her, To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

2. Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, With ev'ry grace endued.

3. 'Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation, Of peace forever more;
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

4. Yet she on earth hath union With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won;
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

4 | We believe in One True God (No. 44)

1. We believe in one true God

Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Ever present help in need,
Praised by all the heav'nly host,
By whose mighty pow'r alone
All is made and wrought and done.

2. We believe in Jesus Christ,

Son of God and Mary's Son,
Who descended from His throne
And for us salvation won,
By whose cross and death are we
Rescued from sins misery.

3. We confess the Holy Ghost, Who from both for e'er proceeds,

Who upholds and comforts us
In all trials, fears and needs.
Blest and holy Trinity,
Praise forever be to Thee.

5 | Gloria Patri (No. 43)

Glory be to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
World with-out end.
Amen, Amen.

Welcome

Welcome to worship. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today. If you have any questions about God, the Bible, or our church, or would just like to say hello, please talk with Pastor Jeff.

Nursery is available. See or call JoAnna with any questions. 724-601-7153.

- **Children's Worship**, led by Diane Justice & Helper Grace K. Forton

The Lord's Day

9:30am – Sunday Education Hour

Sunday School opens at 9:30am in the sanctuary.

Sunday School Superintendent: Kara Masters

Kids and Youth Classes

Toddlers & Pre-K: Room LL 203 Marie Fowler,
Diane Justice & Marci Thoman

Kindergarten thru 3rd: Room LL204 - Emily Forton

4th thru 6th: Room LL304 Helen Lorah
& Lisa Barney

7th thru 12th: Youth Room – Naomi Oosting
& Rosh Raines

Adult Education Classes

The Minor Prophets led by Steve Lorah / Fellowship Hall
Now - June 28

Jonah: The Depths of Grace led by Mark Oosting / Kitchen
Now - April 26

Sunday Worship

10:45am Morning Worship – Pastor Emeritus Ric Raines will be bringing the message from Matthew 16:13-20 “The Importance of the Church Today”. Let us think seriously about the church. The church is so very important to God, to our country and to our personal wellbeing. What changes should we be making in our lives because of the importance God has given for the church?

Last Small Groups

(directly after Worship) **Jeff & Linda Lyden's Home**
(with Lunch served) 121 Hummel Drive Ohioville

5pm Dave & Linda D'Angelo's Home (dinner then Bible study) 618 Cannelton Road Darlington

6pm Pastor Ric & DeeDee Raines Home (with Refreshments) 220 Hickory Drive Chippewa

This Week

Monday

10am Bowling – at Walnut Lanes | 420 Walnut Street
East Liverpool, OH

Tuesday

7pm Men's Bible Study – Join the men of the church, in the Gospel of James “A Portrait of a Living Faith”. A beloved book so practical, so full of vivid exhortations to live a godly life. We meet the first and third Tuesdays of the month in the kitchen.

Wednesday

10am Ladies Bible Study – 1 & 2 Peter “Living Hope in a Hard World” Child Care available.

6:30pm – 8pm Covenant Kids - Grades 1-5 are doing “Pilgrim's Progress.” And 4yrs.- Kindergarten are doing: The Armor of God.

6:30pm – 8:30pm The ROCK – We meet for games, worship, Bible Study and snacks.

6:30pm Prayer & Study – We are using the book of Acts to guide our prayer.

Saturday

9am Presbytery – Pray for the Pastor's and Elders as they meet to go over the best ways to further God's Kingdom.

Next Sunday

9:30am Sunday Education Hour – Join us for the opening in the sanctuary, before heading to class.

10:45am Morning Worship – Pastor Jeff will be back and preaching from Matthew. The gospels are like opening a curtain and seeing the life of Jesus Christ revealed. In next week's text, Matthew 14:22-33, Jesus continues to do unimaginable things. Again, he demonstrates how the laws of creation do not apply to him as he teaches Peter a lesson in Peter's own discipleship. What is so amazing about Jesus? “Jesus Walks on the Water” (Matthew 14:22-33).

6pm Evening Worship – Revelation 20:1-10 says that for 1000 years, Satan would be bound and the martyrs will reign. What does that mean? Pastor has taught us about three out of four Millennial views. What is the last view? And what does Pastor believe on how we should view the Millennium? We end by bringing Revelation 20:1-10 home to life today. If time, Pastor will invite any questions.

Congregational Announcements

New Membership Class – If you are an adult and wish to become a member of Fairview please sign up in the vestibule. Pastor Jeff would like to start the 5 week class on May 3.

Diaper Blessing April 26 – Zach and Emily McComas are expecting their third child. Let's bless this growing family with diapers and wipes, immediately following the worship service in the fellowship hall. Grab a cookie and say hello to the McComases.

CEF Walkathon – Child Evangelism Fellowship of Beaver County welcomes you to join us for our 6th Annual Walk-a-thon! May 23, 2026, 10am-12pm at the Bradys' Run Health and Walking Trail. Bring the whole family for an enjoyable morning of live music, raffles, kids zone with face painting & bounce house, free snacks, & fun for all ages.

Save the Date! 2026 VBS June 8-12 - The King is Coming!
Join us for a royal VBS adventure where we'll discover how to prepare for Jesus, the King of Kings! Fill out the volunteer sheet and return it in the offering plate or put it in JoAnna Zehnder's mailcan by April 30th.

Summer Camps Now Open!

Registrations are opened to sign up for Summer Camps, both for counselors and for campers!

- **What:** Kids' Camp (completed 1st-5th grade) and Super Summer Break (completed 6th-12th grade).
- **Why:** For rich spiritual renewal, worship, and strong Christian fellowship in our Presbytery.
- **When:** July 19-23, 2026 (Kids' Camp is July 19-22)
- **Where:** Laurelville Retreat Center (Mt Pleasant, PA)
- **Help given:** Fairview gives parents \$30 off per child for Kids' Camp and \$60 for SSB!
- **Registration:** Go to our site, www.fairviewpca.org. Scroll over "Ministries," then scroll over "Camps & Retreats," and choose which camp to register for.

Summer Mission Work

Wish to give your life away to God this summer?
Here are several ways you can.

1. West Virginia Summer Mission Trip – Our church is taking a mission trip to West Virginia, July 25-August 1. Construction, VBS, and, possibly, assisted living service. Sign up in back. ALL AGES.

2. Counselor at Camps – One excellent way to serve the Lord this summer is by being a counselor at either our Kids' Camp or Super Summer Break (see above). July 19-23. Must be approved by our session.

3. Good News Day Camp – Aug. 3-7 & 10-14 from 9:30-2:30 at Prayer Mountain in Darlington PA, experience the best weeks of summer! Children from all over Beaver County will be attending. You can help mentor, serve, and show the love of Christ in various capacities. Contact Edie Chaffee for more information at 724-508-0757 or beavercountycef@gmail.com.

National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 7, 2026 - This is the 75th annual Day of Prayer. The theme is "Glorify God Among The Nations - Seeking Him in All Generations." *1 Chronicles 16:24 NASB*. Let us come together in prayer, lifting up our hearts and seeking light in a world that sometimes feels dark.

Almighty God, King of Glory, we confess our sins and repent of our pride that sought our own glory and comfort, allowing evil to take root instead of Your fruit in our hearts, homes, culture, and country. Please forgive us. Now, with this declaration of rededication, we humble ourselves, pray, and seek Your face, turning from our wicked ways, that You would heal our lives and our land. Please purify and renew our hearts with holy attributes, affections, attitudes, and actions-to love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We give You glory as we repent and rededicate our lives and our nation to You. For 250 years You have guarded and guided America in wisdom, grace, mercy, and love. We praise and thank You for our Founding Fathers, for all who sought You in fervent prayer throughout history and answered Your call to defend justice and freedom; to protect and serve, preach and teach, innovate, communicate, learn, work, worship, and establish our laws. May Your Kingdom come, and Your will be done in our lives, our Families, the Church, Education, Business, Military, Government, Arts, Entertainment and Media as it is in heaven. We prayerfully commit to "Glorify God Among the Nations, Seeking Him in All Generations." In Jesus' name, Amen!

Worship Helpers

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Next Week's Helpers

Worship Leader Ben Hardesty
Audio–Visual..... Jon Forton & Gideon te Velde
Musicians..... Linda D’Angelo, Josiah Forton
Vocalist..... Lindsey Hollabaugh
Nursery..... Kara Masters & Sandi Christian
Greeters..... Jake & Naomi Shepler & Family
Ushers..... Chase Thoman, Josh Chaffee
Stephen Hapach & William Phillips

Sermon Notes

"The Importance of the Church Today"

Matthew 16:13-20 (p.1044)

II Chronicles 15:14-15 They swore an oath to the LORD with a loud voice and with shouting and with trumpets and with horns. And all Judah rejoiced over the oath, for they had sworn with all their heart and had sought him with their whole desire, and he was found by them, and the LORD gave them rest all around.

Prayers & Praises

"Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15)

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2)

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