



# Friendship Mennonite Church

## Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

March 1, 2009

With a symbol of promise emblazoned across the sky, God moves from destruction to provision for all our needs. We respond in trust, giving ourselves to God and believing God's promise.

### Coming to God

Welcome and Announcements  
 Call to Worship  
 Opening Songs  
 Offering

### Learning about God

Songs of Praise  
 Scripture Reading: Mark 1:9-15  
 Sermon: "Trusting God" Kevin Kanagy

### Responding to God

Song of Response  
 Sharing and Prayer  
 Closing Song  
 Benediction

### Serving Today

Worship Leader: Joe Kotva      Song Leader: Rachel Miller  
 Usher: Chris Savage      Greeters: Marge Meuti  
 SS Nursery: Kayley Nickless      Piano: Rhonda Savage  
 Worship Nursery: Parsilla Honsaker

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### Upcoming Events & Meetings

**Today**  
 Sun. Mar. 8      Nursery Workers Meeting after Worship  
                      Young Adult Lunch Gathering after Worship at Gizella's  
                      Agape Group 4:30pm at Witmer-Rich's

Wed. Mar. 11      Worship Committee Meeting 6:30pm  
 Thu. Mar. 12      Southgate Group 11am  
 Mar. 13-14      Ohio Conference Annual Conference Assembly  
 Fri. Mar. 6, 20      Thirsting Souls Group 6pm  
 Tue. Mar. 17      Church Council Meeting 6:30pm  
 Wed. Mar. 18      FISH Meeting 5pm  
 Sat. Mar. 21      Elders' Meeting 7:30am

### Giving for February 22, 2009

Church Offering:	Sunday School:	Peru Mission Trip
\$1256.62	\$10.00	\$30.00

### Announcements:

- **Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church! If you are visiting us this week, thank you! We are so glad to worship with you!** Please take a moment to fill out a visitor information card located in the pew and place it in the offering.
- **Sheri Banks is returning to Peru** on March 13. Those wishing to donate to the local mission that Sheri works with may do so through designating giving in the church offering. Sheri will distribute funds she receives to the local ministries.
- **Are you able to donate** towards student aid for our two students going to Goshen? **Jennifer Speight and Jonathan Savage** are our two students attending Goshen this upcoming year 2009/2010. Goshen has a matching grant if we donate funds toward their student aid. **If you are interested** in pledging funds for this, **please see or call Sue Schmucker Coblentz.** Goshen is asking for our pledge March 1!

Secretary: Cara Speros  
 secretary@friendmc.org  
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Congregational Counselor:  
 Gizella

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## Lent Readings – Week 1

Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22;  
Mark 1:9-15

Jesus trusted God as he was led into the desert for a time of testing. We are also invited to trust God, with our lives and in the midst of suffering.

As we begin our journey toward Easter, ask God to show you where God wants you to place your trust in Him. Give yourself to God and believe in God's promise!

God, help us to trust your faithful care. Show us ways this week in which we can trust you and show your love to others through us.

