

Proclamation

Proclamation Presbyterian Church (PCA)
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The Lord's Day, March 7, 2010
Dr. Robert D. Stuart, Interim Senior Pastor

Reflection

During his reign, King Frederick William III of Prussia found himself in trouble. Wars had been costly, and in trying to build the nation, he was seriously short of finances. He couldn't disappoint his people, and to capitulate to the enemy was unthinkable. After careful reflection, he decided to ask the women of Prussia to bring their jewelry of gold and silver to be melted down for their country. For each ornament received, he determined to exchange a decoration of bronze or iron as a symbol of his gratitude. Each decoration would be inscribed, "I gave gold for iron, 1813." The response was overwhelming. Even more important, these women prized their gifts from the king more highly than their former jewelry. The reason, of course, is clear. The decorations were proof that they had sacrificed for their king. Indeed, it became unfashionable to wear jewelry, and thus was established the Order of the Iron Cross. Members wore no ornaments except a cross of iron for all to see. When Christians come to their King, they too exchange the flourishes of their former life for a cross.

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Proclamation Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination committed to the historic Christian faith. We believe that the Bible is the inspired and inerrant Word of God, that Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of God who became man, was crucified as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of His people, on the third day was raised from the dead, and one day will come again in power and great glory.

Our Goal: To glorify God by teaching His Word and encouraging His people to be an engaging influence to the culture.

Visiting With Us? Please sign your name and address on the Service of Friendship pad so that we can greet you more personally. After the service, come to the Welcome Counter in the narthex for a special welcome. This is the place to have your questions answered, get help in finding your way around the buildings and pick up resources from the various ministries of the church.

This Sunday's Deacons/Deaconesses-In-Charge

Jay Young, Larry Griess, Marti Calla, Susan Browne

This Sunday's Greeters: Kevin Miller, Sue & George Williames

Guest Hostess: BJ Dunn

Friendly Reminders for Our Worship Time:

- Please remember that we come to worship a Holy God who gives us the grace to live for Him.
- Kindly turn all cell phones, beepers and pagers to either the "off" or "vibrate" position during the service.
- While children of all ages are warmly welcomed in our worship service, for your comfort and convenience, we have a "crying room" for families with nursing infants and/or active babies located at the right rear of the sanctuary.
- If you have a prayer request, please fill out a pink prayer request form found in the pew back, and place it in the offering plate. Be assured that the staff and elders will be praying for you and offering your petitions before the Lord.

**Order for the Observance of
the Lord's Supper
Sunday, March 7, 2010
8:15 and 11:00 A.M.**

Officiating Pastor: Dr. Robert D. Stuart
Assisting in Worship: Rev. Matthew M. Pieters

Preparation for Worship: Meditation and Prayer

Pre-Service Selection(s)

Chorale-Prelude on *Passion Chorale* (8:15) Reger

Allegro con brio from *Quartet in F major* Beethoven

String Ensemble: Richard M. Amoroso, Daniel Han, violin;
Burchard Tang, viola; Richard Amoroso, Sr., cello

+Welcome and Announcements

Mission Moment: Dominic Mattioni/CityTeam Ministry

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Prelude

Improvisation on *Nothing But the Blood* (8:15) arr. Treadway

Adagio from *Quartet in F major* (11:00) Beethoven

String Ensemble

Call to Worship: Psalm 100:3-5

Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

***+Hymn of Invocation and Praise**

76 Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven *Lauda Anima*

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***Prayer of Adoration and Invocation followed by The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Confession of Sin: The Seventh Commandment – Exodus 20:14
You shall not commit adultery.

Assurance of Forgiveness: Psalm 103:11-12
For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Service of Friendship (Please sign the blue Service of Friendship pad found in the pew back in front of you, pass it down the pew for everyone to sign and then return it to the end of the pew from which it was passed.)

Invitation to Honor God with our Tithes and Offerings: Ecclesiastes 5:10
Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless.

Offering/Offertory

Improvisation on *There is a Fountain* (8:15)

arr. Treadway

Just a Closer Walk with Thee (11:00)

Folk Song/arr. Dawson

The Chancel Choir

I am weak but Thou art strong; Jesus keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Chorus:

Just a closer walk with Thee, grant it Jesus, is my plea;
Daily walking close to Thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares? None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.

When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;
Guide me gently, safely o'er to Thy kingdom shore, to Thy shore.

***Offertory Hymn**

731 Doxology

Old Hundredth

***Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Offering**

Public Reading of Scripture

Romans 5:12-21 (p.798-799 in pew Bible)

Elder James Kurth

One of our Elders will be available in the front of the sanctuary at the conclusion of the morning worship services for the purpose of prayer with any interested worshipper(s).

Children's Hymn (11:00)

189 Jesus Loves Me

Warner/Bradbury

Jesus loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so,
Little ones to Him belong,
They are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Children's Message (11:00)

Pastor Matt Pieters

Sermon Scripture: Genesis 44:18-32 (p. 35 in pew Bible)

Sermon: "An Exchange of Life"

Sermon notes on page 8

Dr. Robert Stuart

Pastoral Prayer

***Declaration of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

*Communion Hymn

170 Fairest Lord Jesus

Crusader's Hymn

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

You are invited to participate in the celebration of the Lord's Supper as you meet the following requirements: baptism, personal and genuine faith in Jesus Christ as Savior, public profession of faith, a repentant heart, an understanding of the elements, and the proper preparation of one's heart (self examination.)

See page 7 for Suggestions for Silent Prayer during Communion.

Words of Institution & Distribution of Bread and Cup

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying 'Take and eat; this is my body.' Matthew 26:26

Musical Selections during the passing of the Bread

Improvisation on Wondrous Love (8:15)

arr. Treadway

This Is My Father's World (11:00)

Peace/arr. Sacks

String Ensemble

Then He [Jesus] took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, 'Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.' Matthew 26:27

Musical Selections during the passing of the Cup

Improvisation on O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (8:15)

arr. Treadway

Amazing Grace (11:00)

arr. Walters

String Ensemble

Compassion Fund Offering

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

734 Gloria Patri

Meineke

Postlude

Allegro from *Quartet in F major*

Beethoven

String Ensemble

Suggestions for Silent Prayers During Communion

Prayer for Those Questioning

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen. [*If you are praying this prayer for the first time, please let a Christian friend or the pastor know.*]

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Grant also that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen

Covenant Children Taking Communion

Parents: We are delighted that so many of our covenant children are interested in taking communion. In order to assure that they are spiritually ready to do so, the Session has established a committee of three Elders to interview the children. We encourage you to contact Dave Moneymaker (ext. 226) to schedule an interview. We respectfully request that children who are not yet members of Proclamation Church and who have not taken the Communicants' Class (offered each spring as part of the 5th and 6th grade Sunday School curriculum) refrain from taking communion until they are interviewed or have completed the Communicants' Class. Thank you!

Communion Wafers

Congregants desiring gluten-free wafers during the Communion Service should be seated in the first two rows in the left front of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

SERMON NOTES

The Exchange Plea (Genesis 44:15-34)

What does it take to be so Christ-like that we are willing to exchange our life so another may live for Christ? _____

Character traits or attitudes needed to exchange our lives for others:

1. Submission to _____

Our character is revealed by our _____ to situations in which we find ourselves.

We are not to judge men by what they have been or done formerly, but by what they are now and do _____.

2. Compassion for another's hurt

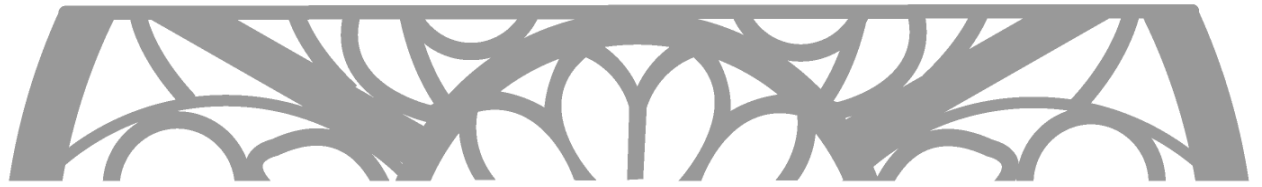
When you tell a lie for so long, it becomes truth to your _____.

Compassion is a deep awareness of and sympathy for another's _____.

3. Devotion to another's wants, purposes, and situation.

Devotion is defined as profound dedication or earnest _____ to a cause or person.

Submission, compassion, and devotion are wrapped up in one word:



the announcements of proclamation presbyterian church

VBS Mission Control to PPC volunteers!

Vacation Bible School Organizational Meeting

Tuesday, March 9th, 7:00 pm

Please help us plan for another “out of this world” summer adventure, July 19th to 23rd, 2010! You are invited to join the Proclamation Flight Crew as we cruise the cosmos with “Genesis One: Space Probe”, a spectacular Vacation Bible School odyssey, in search of the Lord of the Universe!

Our first organizational meeting will be **Tuesday, March 9th**, at 7:00pm in Modular Unit #144. If you can attend, please reply to Star Fleet Commander, Dave (Kirk) Moneymaker, at dave@proclamation.org or 610-520-9500, ext. #226.



remember in prayer...

“Faith grows by reading and meditating upon the Word of God. Most, and best of all, faith thrives in an atmosphere of prayer.” *E.M.Bounds*

Week of March 7

Ballam Family
Ballbach Family
Audrey Beyer
Joanie & Nick Blackwell
Millie Blasko
Bliven Family
Sarah Boardman
Charlie Bogardus

SERVING IN MILITARY

Matt Anthony- San Diego
Josh Bundt – Texas
William Dreibelbis
– N. Carolina
Josh Frizzell – Afghanistan
Jeffrey Hartline – Afghanistan

Elizabeth Josephson –Japan
Tim Wik – New Hampshire
Rob Willis – Iraq

**Anyone who wants to write to these service people associated with our church, as they serve our country, is invited to do so through the care of their parents or relatives who will forward your letters. Please contact the church office for this information.*

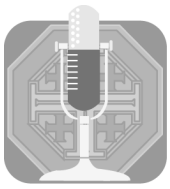
Sunday Evenings at Proclamation

Beechwood Chapel, 6:30 pm

March 7 Prayer Meeting for the Church

March 14 Communion Service
Dr. Stuart Sacks preaching
“O Lord, Revive Us!” – Habakkuk 3:2

Today's sermon message **will be available for playback online** starting tomorrow at the church website www.proclamation.org. Audio CD recordings of today's sermon are available for a gift of \$3.00. You may order at the media table located in the Deacon's Nook immediately following the 11 am service, **and pick up the following week**. If you desire a CD of a sermon from a prior week, order forms are available on the table.



Proclamation
radio ministry...

The Proclamation Worship Hour

Today and every Sunday at Noon on WFIL-560 AM, and www.wfil.com.

The message is: If Life is A Bowl of Cherries...?

Genesis 37:12-24, given at Proclamation on 1/24/10 by Dr. Robert Stuart

Joseph was not very successful as a brother. Not only was he despised, but there came a day that his siblings planned to kill him. The Bible narrative tells how they eventually sold him to some Ishmaelites on the way to Egypt. It seemed like it couldn't get worse. Listen in as Dr. Stuart shares more of God's reply to the query If Life Is a Bowl of Cherries...?

Proclaiming the Word Radio with Dr. Peter Lillback remains available for playback or download at www.ptword.org. Weekly messages starting January 7, 2007 may be found by selecting LIBRARY on the main menu. Also, look for complete **Proclaiming the Word Television** episodes in the VIDEO library as well.



missionary of the week

Save the date! Missions Conference
April 17th & 18th and April 25th

As you read in the missionary newsletter this past week (if you didn't get one they are on the narthex table), the details for the missions conference are coming together. We look forward to a time to get to know some of the missionaries we support. If you would like to get to know the missionaries on a more personal basis, invite them into your home on Friday or Saturday night for a small gathering. Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the narthex and indicate which night you would be available and we will match you up with a missionary.

Housing Needed: Rev. Beyongseob Han, church planter with MTW in Japan, will be joining us for the missions conference. He will need a place to stay from April 16th to April 19th. Please contact Pam Hallman in the church office (610-520-9500x229) if you would like to host Rev. Han.



Knitting Yarn for Music Mission Kiev

Do you have any knitting yarn in your stash that you are not using? BJ Dunn is collecting knitting yarn to ship to the knitting group she founded when she was serving with Music Mission Kiev in Kiev, Ukraine. If you do not have knitting yarn, financial contributions will also be helpful so that we can purchase yarn to ship. The group uses the knitting supplies to make garments for the widows and orphans. Please place the yarn in the Donations Room. Your help will be greatly appreciated by Music Mission Kiev.

Support Amnion Crisis Pregnancy Center - Make Change for Life

Please bring in the filled bottles as soon as possible. Thank you!

Children's Jubilee Fund Newsletter

Children's Jubilee Fund exists to open the door to Christian schooling for low-income, inner-city students and so provide them, in Christ's name, "a hope and a future." See their newsletter on the narthex table.



URBAN FAMILY COUNCIL SPRING BANQUET

All Proclamation friends are invited to attend the upcoming banquet to enjoy a night of celebration, education, and support for this ministry.

Date: Thursday, March 25, 2010

Time: 6:00 PM.... Reception & Silent Auction • 7:00 PM...Dinner

Place: Presidential Caterers, 2910 DeKalb Pike, E. Norriton, PA 19401

Presentation by Betty Jean Wolfe, Chief Administrative Officer, Recovery School District
- New Orleans and former UFC President

If you are interested in attending, please contact: Pastor Karlberg at paul@proclamation.org or Raleigh Peters at: raleigh_peters@yahoo.com
There is no cost for this event. Please join us!



EAGLES (Retirees at Proclamation) will meet on Wednesday, March 10, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Dr. William Stillman will be the guest speaker. Bill spent a number of years on the faculty of the Univ. of Tennessee where he was a professor of Engineering Science and Mechanics. His topic is “Reflections from my Teaching Career”. Please sign the list in the narthex if you plan to attend and indicate whether you’ll bring a salad or dessert.

**Beef ‘n (Root) Beer – Third Sunday Lunch - March 21
Hosted by Proclamation’s Men’s Ministry**

All are invited to enjoy good food and fellowship immediately following the 11:00 worship service. Please sign the list on the narthex table if you plan to attend and indicate whether you’ll bring a salad or dessert. *Note: Salads are really appreciated. You may have noticed that we run out quickly.*

Jubilate! a concert of sacred music and oratorio masterpieces will be held at Proclamation on **Saturday, March 13, 7:30pm**. The concert will be presented by the Academy of Vocal Arts of Philadelphia, with full orchestra. A portion of the ticket sales will be donated to the Jeffrey Kneebone Children’s Fund. Tickets are \$33adults/ \$23seniors/\$15 students. To order tickets, please call 215-735-1685 or visit www.avaopera.org.

News from Proclamation’s Session

The deadline for contributing to the Pastor’s Appreciation Fund for Dr. Peter Lillback is March 31, 2010. Please make your check payable to Proclamation Church, designated for the *Pastor Appreciation Fund*. Thanks for your expression of love and gratitude.

Funding the Fight for Life, Liberty & Family

Arkansas Barbecue with Mike Huckabee – March 25, 6:30 pm

The Pennsylvania Family Institute is hosting a dinner at The Drexelbrook with speaker Mike Huckabee. Cost: \$50 per person. For tickets and information, contact: (800) 326-4591 or visit www.Pafamily.org.

Philadelphia Conference on Reformed Theology 2010

This yearly conference, sponsored by the Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals will be held April 30 – May 2 at Tenth Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia. The theme is “These Last Days: A Christian View of History” with speakers: D.A.Carson, Sinclair Ferguson, Michael Horton and Philip Ryken. For registration information, call 800-956-2644; e-mail customerservice@alliancenet.org or register online at www.alliancenet.org.

news, notes, and opportunities (con't)

Year to Date Operating Budget as of 1/31/10

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Offerings	\$992,140	\$1,076,969	\$(84,829)
Miscellaneous Income	13,732	4,667	9,065
Total Income	<u>\$1,005,872</u>	<u>\$1,081,636</u>	<u>\$(75,764)</u>
Expenses	\$996,958	\$1,081,636	\$(84,678)
Net Operating Income	\$8,914	0	\$ 8,914

Weekly Offerings – Operating

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Week of 2/28/10	\$23,256	\$ 35,504	(\$12,248)
Fiscal Year to Date	\$1,149,333	\$1,242,657	(\$93,324)

Haitian Disaster Relief: \$6,444.00

Missions Fund

Year-to-Date Offering as of 2/28/10: \$178,603 **2009-10 Goal -** \$245,000

Last Sunday's Attendance

Worship		Japanese Worship	Sunday School	
8:15 am	61	-	Children	109
11:00 am	252	72	Adults	128
Total		385	Total	237

youth group news.....

Upcoming Events:

Senior High

March 7 – Youth Group
March 14 – Youth Group

Junior High

March 10 – Youth Group
March 17 – Youth Group

Save the Date!

Tournament Party
Saturday, March 27th, 2 – 5:30 pm

college ministry news.....

College and Early Career Ministry

Worldview Discussion & Breakfast
Sundays, 9:30 am in Room 017

Leaders:

Ozzie & Angie Osgood
610-626-9120

Ozzie-osgood-8@verizon.net

Mike & Julie Sulc
215-877-5362
mikesulc@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS

Nursery	151
Toddlers (2 & 3 year olds)	149
Pre-K & Kindergarten	147
1 st & 2 nd Grades	143
3 rd & 4 th Grades	146
5 th & 6 th Grades	144
Junior High	045-047
Senior High	049

Adult Electives

College and Career Class	017
Japanese Discipleship	043/046
Calvin's Institutes	243/245
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Covenant Marriage	241

Note: Scripture and catechism memory recitations will take place in Room 148 starting at 9:20 am.

Should you have any questions about the C.E. ministries, please feel free to stop by Rm. 150 of the Christian Educ. bldg during the Sunday School hour and speak to the Asst. Sunday School Superintendent!



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Pastors and Directors

Interim Senior Pastor	Dr. Robert D. Stuart
Outreach Pastor	Rev. Paul Karlberg
Asst. Pastor of Youth & Families	Rev. Matthew M. Pieters
Director of Japanese Ministries	Rev. KiSup Lee
Director of Christian Education	Mr. David Moneymaker
Director of Music	Mr. Vincent Treadway
Administrative Director/Comptroller	Mr. James Browne

Session

Bob Stuart, Moderator	Grant McCabe
Paul Karlberg, Vice-Moderator	Dave Moneymaker, Clerk
Dan Apostolu	Norm Sumner
Dan Correnti	Jack Templeton
Jerry Giosa	Peter Thompson
Jeff Kiesel	

Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Proclamation Calendar

Week of March 7, 2010

Sunday

8:15am and 11:00am Morning Worship
 9:00am Prayer Time - Parlor
 9:00am Library Opens
 9:30am Sunday School for all ages
 11:00am Japanese Worship
 12:30pm Japanese Congregation Lunch
 4:00pm Daughters of Zion/King's Singers
 5:30pm Renewed
 6:30pm Prayer Service - Chapel
 6:30pm Sr. High Youth Group
 7:30pm Sr. High Parents Prayer time

Monday

9:00am Career Transitions
 9:30am ESL

Tuesday

9:00am All Staff Prayer
 9:45am Pastoral Staff Meeting
 12:00pm All Staff Lunch
 7:00pm Diaconate Meeting
 7:00pm Women's Council Meeting
 7:00pm M-W Presbytery Coord. Meeting
 7:00pm VBS Organizational Meeting

Wednesday

9:15am Women's Bible Study
 12:00pm Japanese Bible Study
 12:00pm EAGLES Luncheon
 5:00pm Children's ESL
 6:00pm Dinner "On the Go"
 7:00pm Men's Bible Study
 Women's Bible Study
 Girls of Grace
 Boys of the Bible (Grades 1-5)
 Jr. High Youth Group
 Missions Committee
 7:30pm Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursday

5:30pm Soli Deo Gloria Rehearsal
 7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

6:30pm Japanese Praise Team Rehearsal

Saturday

9:00am Covenant Kids
 9:00am Men's Bible Study
 7:30pm Jubilate! Concert of Sacred Music

MINISTRY MEETINGS / ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, March 9

VBS Organizational Meeting, 7:00 pm

Diaconate Meeting, 7:00 pm

Women's Council Meeting, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 10

Missions Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm

SPECIAL EVENTS

EAGLES Luncheon

Wednesday, March 10, 12:00 pm

Jubilate! Concert of Sacred Music

Academy of Vocal Arts Concert
 Saturday, March 13, 7:30 pm (see p. 13)