

**5TH SUNDAY IN LENT
GATHER IN GOD’S NAME**

(*=**please stand if you are able**)

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Prayer (from Psalm 51)

L: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love;

P: According to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions.

L: You desire truth in our deepest selves, so teach our hearts wisdom.

P: Let us hear your joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

L: Create in us clean hearts, O God; put new and right spirits within us.

P: Sustain in us willing spirits and restore us to the joy of your salvation. Let us worship God!

Hymn of the Month GTG#646

“Sing Out, My Soul/Magnificat”

Call to Confession (Jeremiah 31:33)

“The days are surely coming,” says the Lord, “When I will make a new covenant with my people. I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the Lord,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest.” Friends, we are God’s people. Yet even as we strive to know our God and walk in God’s paths, we fall short. Trusting in God as a merciful covenant partner, let us confess our sin together:

Prayer of Confession

Living Christ, with whom we journey to the cross, we confess that we are always looking for an easier way. We long for the fullness of life with you, but we are slow to abandon the comforts of the life we know. We seek the fruit of new life, but we are not willing to die to ourselves. You call us to life in community, but we stubbornly cling to “me and mine.” Yet you offer the grace of life abundant, even and especially when our best efforts fall short. Transform us, renew us, and free us from our attachment to what was, so that you might bring us into the glory of what will be. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the good news! We worship a God who forgives our iniquities and remembers our sins no more. Proclaim the good news with me.

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Gloria Patri GTG#581**

“Glory Be to the Father”

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 without end. Amen, amen.

Prayer for Illumination

God of living water, pour out your Spirit and nourish your Word within us, that in its time, that Word may bear much fruit. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and Judah. It won’t be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant with me even though I was their husband, declares the Lord. No, this is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time, declares the Lord. I will put my Instructions within them and engrave them on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. They will no longer need to teach each other to say, “Know the Lord!” because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord; for I will forgive their wrongdoing and never again remember their sins.

L: This is the word of God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem:

Scripture Reading

John 12:20-33

Some Greeks were among those who had come up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and made a request: “Sir, we want to see Jesus.” Philip told Andrew, and Andrew and Philip told Jesus. Jesus replied, “The time has come for the Human One to be glorified. I assure you that unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it can only be a single seed. But if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their lives will lose them, and those who hate their lives in this world will keep them forever. Whoever serves me must follow me. Wherever I am, there my servant will also be. My Father will honor whoever serves me. “Now *I am deeply troubled*. What should I say? ‘Father, save me from this time’? No, for this is the reason I have come to this time. Father, glorify your name!” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard and said, “It’s thunder.” Others said,

“An angel spoke to him.” Jesus replied, “This voice wasn’t for my benefit but for yours. Now is the time for judgment of this world. Now this world’s ruler will be thrown out. When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to me.” (He said this to show how he was going to die.)

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“What Time is This?”

Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez

Hymn (See Insert)

“Take Time To Be Holy”

Words of Gratitude

By the grace of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, our lives have borne much fruit. Let us now return thanks where it is due and offer the fruits of our labor back to the Lord. Let us receive the morning offering.

Offertory GTG#205

RESPOND IN GRACE

“Live in Charity / Ubi Caritas”

Live in Charity and steadfast love.

Live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Ubi caritas et amor,

ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

*** Doxology**

“Amen We Praise Your Name O God”

Sing amen.

Amen, we praise your name, O God. (Sing amen.)

Amen, we praise your name, O God. (Sing amen.)

Amen, amen, amen, amen.

Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Masithi.

Amen, siakudu misa. (Masithi.)

Amen, siakudu misa. (Masithi.)

Amen, bawo, amen, bawo.

Amen, siakudu misa.

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, it is our joy to return the gifts of our lives to you. May our offering this morning forever bring glory to your name, and may we continue to work tirelessly for the well-being of your whole creation. Amen.

Prayers of the People

***Lord’s Prayer**

Hymn GTG#757

“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

Announcements

Benediction

God is Good! All the time! All the Time! God is Good!

People of God, go forth on your Lenten journey, knowing that you do not go alone. Have courage as you walk toward the cross, even through the valley of the shadow of death, for the Word of Life has been planted within you, and God has promised that it will bear much fruit. And as you go, may God’s glory inspire you, Christ’s cross challenge you, and the Spirit’s creativity pursue you, now and forevermore. Amen.

The Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

Amen

Postlude

Prayers of the People

Let us come before the God who holds our life and even our death and pray for the transformation that Jesus Christ has shown us is possible.

God of the cross, the grave and the empty tomb, we lift up to you all within us that is in the messy process of death and resurrection. Transform us, we pray, into the likeness of your Son, that you might use us to bear much fruit in the world:

- May we die to environmental extraction and live to responsible stewardship.
- May we die to Christian triumphalism and live to interfaith humility.
- May we die to stagnation and aversion to change and live to the new things God is always doing among us.
- May we die to American exceptionalism and live to global citizenship.
- May we die to isolation and NIMBY ('Not-in-my-Backyard')-ism and live to our shared humanity.
- May we die to division and partisanship and live to reconciliation and compassion.
- May we die to addictions and consumerism and live to our shared well-being.
- May we die to me and mine and live to us and ours.

God who is always bringing new life out of death and despair, we pray for all those who need your healing hand this morning — for the hungry and homeless, those sick and in prison, people living in fear, loneliness or grief. Answer the longing of your people with the gift of your presence.

All this we pray in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray saying, **“Our Father...”**



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EVENTS HAPPENING IN 2024

In person hybrid worship is at 11AM

Zoom link is as follows:

By Computer

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 870 270 865

One tap mobile

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Drumming Program will be on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. The next session will be March 18 at 6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall

Hybrid English Bible Study will be on Thursdays at 11AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Zoom Link bible study

By computer

Join Zoom Meeting

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Spanish Bible Study will be on Wednesdays.

Coffee Hour following worship today

Worship Team Meeting will be March 19th at 10AM

Session Meeting will be March 25th 7PM

Presbyterian Women 2024 Churchwide Gathering will be August 8-11, 2024 in St. Louis, Missouri. If you are interested in attending please register at www.2024pwcwg.org

Holy Week Calendar



MARCH 2024

Holy Week

↙ **24** SUNDAY **PALM SUNDAY**
WORSHIP SERVICE 11:00AM

↙ **28** THURSDAY **MAUNDY THURSDAY**
WASHING OF THE FEET & MEAL 11:00AM

↙ **29** FRIDAY **GOOD FRIDAY**
PRAYER & MEDITATION BY ZOOM 11:00AM
MEETING ID: 870 270 865

↙ **31** SUNDAY **EASTER SUNDAY**
SUNRISE SERVICE AT 6:30AM, OSSING WATERFRONT
BREAKFAST AFTER SUNRISE SERVICE 8:30AM-FELLOWSHIP HALL
TRADITION AL WORSHIP SERVICE 11:00AM

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Prayers and Praise

Please pray for everyone in leadership

Please pray for children/ families

Please pray for the Otu family

Please pray for the Supina/Ruess family

Please pray for the Sevilla family

Please pray for people struggling with cancer for healing

Please pray for people struggling with mental health

Please pray for leaders, people in a position of authority

Please pray for the Denzer Family

Please pray for Heather Blenkinsopp

Please pray for the Carretta family

Please pray for the Yumart family

Please pray for the Sippel family

Please pray for the Quinoy family

Please pray for Joy and Teresa Zeiden

Please pray for Boateng family

Please Pray for Orr family

Please pray for Kiara Taylor's family

Please pray for Bruce and family

Please pray for Bob

Please pray for Curtis

Please pray for the Bonapace family

Please pray for peace in the world

Praise Songs and Hymns
Sing Out, My Soul/Magnificat

Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul.
Sing out and glorify the Lord who sets us free.
Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul.
Sing out and glorify the Lord God!

Magnificat. Magnificat.
Magnificat anima mea Dominum.
Magnificat. Magnificat.
Magnificat anima mea!

Take Time To Be Holy

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;
abide in him always, and feed on his word.
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak,
forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
spend much time in secret with Jesus alone.
By looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be;
thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let him be thy guide,
and run not before him, whatever betide.
In joy or in sorrow, still follow the Lord,
and, looking to Jesus, still trust in his word.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul,
each thought and each motive beneath his control.
Thus led by his spirit to fountains of love,
thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord,
to help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword,
to feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,
to serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.

God made the world and at its birth ordained our human race
to live as stewards of the earth, responding to God's grace.
But we are vain and sadly proud; we sow not peace but strife.
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud that threatens all of life.

Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream,
with righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem.
For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease,
a world that was created for a harmony of peace.

May we in service to our God act out the living word,
and walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.
As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord
to God who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.